



QUINTILIAN SCHOOL NEWS











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CELEBRATING 50 YEARS

1975 - 2025



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IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 2 March	Public Holiday
Fri 14 March	Maths Day
Wed 2 April	Parent Info Session - After School Hours Care
Fri 4 April	School Disco 5-7pm
Thurs 10 April	Astronomy Night



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Quintilian families,

Welcome to the start of the new school year! We hope you had a relaxing holiday and the children have settled into their new classes. It was a pleasure seeing so many families at the annual Welcome Back Picnic and as we get going in 2025 - our 50th anniversary year - we are thrilled to share a few key updates that will shape the year ahead.

Professional Development & Curriculum Enhancements

Our team kicked off the year with two days of tailored professional development. Training included digital technology workshops, Indigenous cultures education, the 2025 road map and child protection. Additionally, we are integrating the latest Australian Curriculum Version 9 to ensure the children receive the most up-to-date and effective learning experience.

Key Curriculum Updates

- Inquiry-based learning strategies for deeper student engagement.

- Strength-based learning with targeted support and extension programs such as MacqLit, MiniLit, Bond Blocks and the first school in WA to implement White Rose Maths.

- Ongoing small class sizes to enhance personalised learning experiences.

Our curriculum leaders are Tristan (Maths), Anne (Literacy), Kirsty & Clare (Wellbeing), Mandy (Inclusive Education).

Exciting Facility Upgrades

We are continuously enhancing our learning environments to ensure a safe and enriching experience for all students and staff. Over the summer holidays, we made several subtle upgrades:

- **New ViewSonic interactive screens** installed in classrooms (Pre-Primary, Years 3-5) to enhance teaching and learning.
- **New air conditioning unit** in the Year 6 classroom.
- **Playground and sand play areas** refreshed for early learners.
- **Windows replaced** in the undercover area for better ventilation and lighting.

School Board, P&F, Student Board

The first School and Student Board meetings of 2025 were held last week. We have an incredible team of dedicated parents and students that volunteer their time and expertise towards the development of our school. The Student Board shared their initial ideas which include further upgrades to the playground (table tennis), gardens (new plants), fences, IT and library books. Our P&F, led by Chris Hurren, is always on the lookout for new parent volunteers too so feel free to reach out via reception or email quintilianpf@gmail.com

Communication Flow Chart

We always strive to help our families in the best ways we can. Please use the communication flow chart (below) if you require any information:



Warm regards,



Principal Elliott Hateley



SPOTLIGHT ON

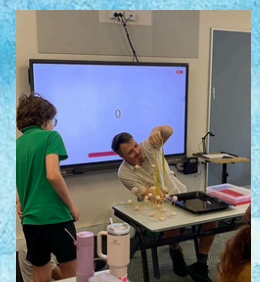


It's been a busy start to Year 6...

Surf lessons at Trigg Beach every Friday have made the most of Perth's stunning weather. It's been great seeing all the kids have a go!

The first Midweek Munchies for the year was also a huge success, kicking off the year's Kimberley Camp fundraising efforts.

And in the classroom, we've explored earthquakes, using jelly and marshmallows to demonstrate the natural phenomenon and its impact.



SPOTLIGHT ON



The term has begun wonderfully for the newest members of the Quintilian community - our brand new Pre Kindy kids!

The children have settled into the Pre Kindy environment so well, forming special bonds with each other and building connections with the adults in the room.


Our little ones are becoming increasingly curious about the world around them, and we've been exploring topics like self-identity, family, shapes, colours and the fun of messy play.


We're excited to see what comes from our inquiry learning journey and watching the children develop and grow!




WELLBEING FOCUS

Each term at Quintilian, we prioritise the wellbeing of our students, staff and families. This year, our focus is on:

 **Student Wellbeing:** Life skills programs, social-emotional learning, and a safe school environment.

 **Staff Wellbeing:** Ongoing professional development and collaborative support through Australian Independent Schools Western Australia (AISWA).

 **Community Engagement:** The Biennial School Production and Quintilian's 50th Anniversary.

Additionally, our joint Wellness Coordinators, Kirsty and Clare, are working in partnership this year to elevate those positive vibes.

The children benefit from a range of programs in school to support them with their wellbeing including Rumble's Quest, URSTRONG and Kimochi's.

If you would like any further information, please feel free to discuss these programs with your child's teacher.



WHITE ROSE MATHS

We are very excited to announce that Quintilian School is the first school in Western Australia to implement the globally-recognised White Rose Maths program into our Year 1 to 6 syllabus.

White Rose Maths Australia is a new version of a highly successful UK-aligned maths resource. It offers a structured, mastery-based maths program aligned with the Australian Curriculum, and is a pioneering educational initiative that

emphasises a comprehensive understanding of mathematics aimed at enhancing maths and problem-solving skills.

At the core of White Rose Maths is the maths mastery approach, which focuses on depth rather than acceleration, ensuring key concepts are fully grasped before moving on. According to a study by University College London Institute of Education, this approach has been found to significantly improve students' understanding of mathematics, resulting in an extensive improvement in problem-solving skills.

The White Rose Maths initiative fosters a deep and sustainable comprehension of maths - it's not just about rote learning; it's about truly understanding and applying mathematical concepts. It is more than just a set of resources; it's a philosophy that places understanding at the heart of learning. It's about nurturing a love for mathematics and equipping students with the tools they need to succeed in a subject that is often seen as challenging. It's a fresh perspective that is reshaping how mathematics is taught and understood.

The 'small steps'

White Rose Maths divides each block of knowledge into a series of small and more manageable learning steps, and together, these small steps cover all the curriculum content that your child needs to know. Brain science shows that children retain more by learning maths in small, related chunks, ensuring children have a better understanding and greater clarity over what they're learning.

White Rose Maths launched in 2014 and is now taught in schools across 110 countries.

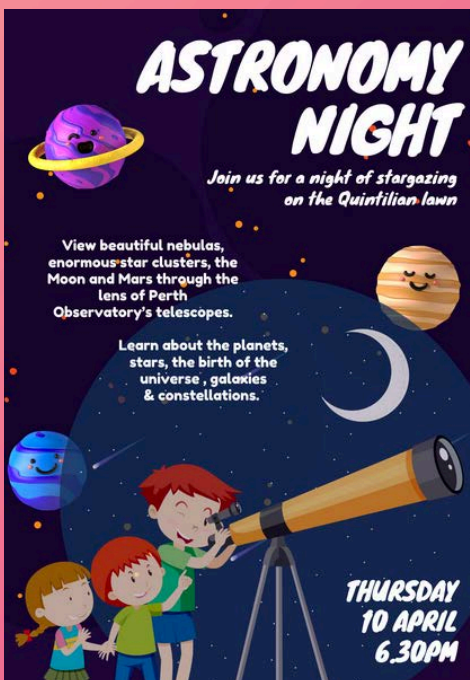
UPCOMING EVENTS



MATHS DAY
Friday 14 March



TERM 1 DISCO
Friday 4 APRIL



ASTRONOMY NIGHT
Thursday 10 April



ROTTNEST FAMILY CAMP
Friday 16 - Sunday 18 May

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LAUNCHING MAY 2025

We're over the moon to announce our partnership with independent Outside of School Hours Care (OSHC) provider TheirCare, to offer Quintilian families **After School Hours Care on Quintilian School grounds** starting in May 2025.

TheirCare provides a stimulating and safe environment for all children and during sessions, children develop life-skills, friendships, confidence, and creativity through play-based programs.

The service will be offered Monday to Friday from end-of-school bell until 6pm, providing parents and caregivers in our school community with some additional flexibility during the week.

SAVE THE DATE!

Join the Parent Info Session via Zoom on Wednesday 2 April at 7.30pm.

[Join here](#)

Meeting ID: 890 7221 0133

Passcode: 101770

For further information, visit www.theircare.com.au or call the TheirCare support office on 1300 072 410.





DONATIONS & RECYCLING

Did you know that we have a “REDUCE, REUSE, RECYCLE” collection station set up here at Quintilian as part of our commitment to sustainability?

Located between the Library and Year 5 classroom (opposite the Admin building), you can deposit the following items:

- Bottle lids
- Bread tags
- Plastic bottles (please check for the 10c mark)
- Printer cartridges
- Toothbrushes
- Unwanted clothing
- Used textas

You'll also find an additional Containers for Change bin right next to the Main Entrance gate on Quintilian Road.

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TUESDAY 22 - FRIDAY 25 APRIL
CONTACT DEBBIE TO BOOK IN YOUR CHILD:
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Dear Quintilian Families,

Thanks to the amazing support of our wonderful Quintilian community, I was able to deliver 128kg of food and household items to the Food Bank depot last December. No doubt, these items were greatly appreciated by those requiring assistance.

A huge thank you to all who donated. If you missed out last year, we will be doing another food drive at the end of the year.

Story Susan

