



QUINTILIAN SCHOOL NEWS



QUINTILIAN KIDS MARKET FOR KIDS



"Our children were involved and learnt valuable lessons around teamwork, entrepreneurship, dedication, drive, managing a float, dividing up takings, preparing for an event...the list goes on!! It truly is one of the most wonderful, child-led events we feel Quintilian has hosted."



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IMPORTANT DATES

Mon 18 Nov	Sheddies Art Gallery 5pm
Thurs 28 Nov	Orientation Morning
Fri 29 Nov	Dance Showcase 2-3pm
Fri 29 Nov	After Party Disco 4-6pm
Wed 4 Dec	Year 6 Graduation
Fri 6 Dec	Last Day Term 4

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Quintilian families,

The Inaugural Kids' Market 2024

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of Quintilian's first-ever Kids' Market on Sunday 27 October. The event exceeded all expectations, showcasing the creativity, teamwork, and entrepreneurial spirit of our students and families, and it was inspiring to witness our young entrepreneurs engaging in financial literacy, decision-making and community partnerships.

This market was more than just a fun day - it was a hands-on learning experience that aligned with our goal of empowering children from a young age to lead their learning.

Special thanks go to Bel, our marketing and events inspiration, who ensured everything ran smoothly, as well as to the Quintilian families and staff who have dedicated their time to Shark Tank week and the Kids' Market.

Inquiry Learning at Quintilian

Over the past 12 months, our staff have taken part in various professional development initiatives focused on refining our inquiry-based learning approach. This framework, guided by Kath Murdoch's Inquiry Cycle of Learning, allows students to connect meaningfully with their learning.

Through child-led projects like the Kids' Market, students experience deeper engagement by exploring real-world concepts. Our goal is to offer unique **Quintessential** experiences that enrich the curriculum with independence and creativity. Inquiry learning gives students ownership over their education, helping them develop skills they'll carry well into adulthood. It makes learning fun and meaningful.

Student Board Members – Term 4

We are pleased to introduce this term's Student Board representatives:

- Emma and Lia (Year 2)
- Matilda and Roman (Year 3)
- Juniper and Lulu (Year 4)
- Beth and Charlie (Year 5)
- Emily and Isabella (Year 6)

Congratulations to the students!

The Student Board has already held two meetings, focusing on issues that matter most to their peers.

Their mission statement for Term 4 is to **Enhance Our Playground**. They have begun brainstorming ideas and have reintroduced Student Voice boxes in every classroom to gather feedback from the wider student body.

The most popular request so far? A swimming pool! While this may remain an aspirational goal, the Student Board is a dedicated team that meets weekly to discuss topics that are important to our students.

P&F Quiz Night – A Memorable Evening

A big thank you to our Parents & Friends (P&F) group for organising a successful Quiz Night on Saturday 19 October. It was fantastic to see parents come together to enjoy a lively evening of trivia. Events like this are a testament to the strong sense of community at Quintilian, bringing families closer together.

Congratulations to both the winning team and of course the wooden spooners!

A special thanks to all our parent volunteers this year who have made events hugely beneficial experiences for our students.

Warm regards,

Elliott Hateley



Principal Elliott Hateley

WELLBEING FOCUS | FUN

As we near the end of the year, we will be exploring an often overlooked element of social-emotional wellbeing...**FUN!**

Within Positive Psychology, the importance of FUN can be found in Barbara Frederickson's research on Positive Emotions or Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi's research on the state of flow. But, we're all about using language that clicks with how kids think and learn and the word "FUN" definitely speaks to them!

Laughing and having FUN with friends is one of the best ways to get those positive emotions flowing and we've got loads of FUN activities planned to remind our Quinny kids of just that!



Wellbeing theme for December | Forgiveness

"Do one FUN thing every day!"

- Jeff Kinney, Author & Illustrator of the *Diary of a Wimpy Kid* series



SPORTS FUN DAY

Sport is a big part of daily life at Quintilian and what better way to celebrate being active than by enjoying a whole school Sports Fun Day!

All children participated in a range of activities from running races and tunnel ball to relays and long jump, but we can't forget the all-time favourite...TUG-OF-WAR!

Well done to all for getting involved and giving every event your best shot.



FRENCH CULTURE

WITH MADAME MONIQUE

To finish off the Year 6 French unit **'What do you wear in certain weather?'** the students created and performed their very own fashion show.

Each child had to describe what their partner was wearing in detail and also the weather and season they would wear it in.

We had lots of creative outfits and the French classroom turned into a Paris fashion runway.



MEET THE TEACHER



MARGO LESLE-POIRIER | YEAR 5

Q: How long have you taught at Quintilian?

A: I've been teaching at Quintilian for almost 4 years – time flies! In 2021 I taught Year 3 and have been in Year 5 ever since.

Q: What does fun mean to you and how do you see this show up in Quintilian students?

A: To me, fun means doing things that bring happiness and help you forget about any worries. It's about laughing with friends and family, trying new things, and savouring the little moments in life. Quintilian kids embody the spirit of fun—they create games that transport us to new worlds, make up songs, dances, and plays, and are always ready for an exciting story filled with laughter. Being a teacher here definitely keeps the joy and love of fun alive within us as adults. Not a day goes by without plenty of fun to be had 😊

Q: What's one thing your students would be surprised to learn about you?

A: When I was in primary school, I always wanted to be a vet when I grew up. However, my fear of birds quickly took that away!



*Northern Lights
(aurora borealis)*



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Q: If you could take your students on an excursion anywhere in the world, where would you go and what would you hope they'd learn?

A: If it wasn't so far away, it would definitely be to see the Northern Lights, (aurora borealis). There is so much learning the children could gain, from Science and Mythology to Sustainable Tourism and Art.

Q: Do you speak any foreign languages? If so, which ones?

A: I speak English and French, as both my parents are from France, but if I were to learn another language it would definitely be Spanish.

Q: How do you like to spend your weekends or downtime outside of school?

A: You'll usually find me at the cinema, reading a good book or eating delicious food. I spend as much time as possible with family and friends too.

Q: How long have you taught at Quintilian?

A: This is my second year at Quintilian. My first year was really exciting as we had a production, and I'm looking forward to having one next year!

Q: What does fun mean to you and how do you see this show up in Quintilian students?

A: To me "fun" means engaging students in a way that sparks curiosity, creativity, and enjoyment in learning. It's about creating experiences where students feel motivated and connected to the material, making the content hands-on and relevant to their lives.

Q: If you weren't a teacher, what career do you think you'd have pursued?

A: I have always wanted to play the piano well. To me, playing an instrument is the closest form of magic: an object made of metal and wood when, in skillful hands, evokes emotions and takes us to places or down memory lane. So, in an alternate world I would have become a concert pianist.

Q: If your life had a theme song, what would it be?

A: I enjoy grand and dramatic music, which has a powerful, intense feel that immediately pulls you in and makes you feel like something epic is about to happen. A great example is Rachmaninoff's Piano Concerto No. 2, 1st movement.

Q: What's your favourite instrument?

A: The piano is my favourite instrument as it's like having a whole orchestra at your fingertips. It has a huge range, from the deep, resonant bass notes to bright, sparkling high notes. It can be delicate or powerful, gentle or thunderous. Apart from that, it is very versatile - it fits into almost every genre, from classical to jazz, to rock.

MEET THE TEACHER

GALINA ALADKO | MUSIC TEACHER

Q: If you could have dinner with a famous composer, who would you choose and why?

A: I think I'd pick Ludwig van Beethoven. He was such a bold, innovative force in music, especially in the way he broke the rules and pushed beyond the conventions of his time. He struggled with hearing loss, yet continued composing some of the most emotionally powerful and revolutionary music ever written. I'd love to hear him talk about his inspirations, how he felt about his music and how he managed to stay dedicated despite the challenges he faced. Plus, he had a fiery personality, so I imagine the conversation would be anything but boring!



SCHOOL BOARD | CALL FOR NOMINATIONS



**JOIN
OUR BOARD...**

**& HELP SHAPE THE
FUTURE OF OUR SCHOOL**

POSITIONS VACANT

- Board meetings held @ 5pm
- 1 hour / 6 times per year
- 2-year term

EXPRESS YOUR INTEREST

reception@quintilianschool.wa.edu.au

"I'm glad I joined the Board of Quintilian because it gave me a chance to see how the school works and what it needs. I can help with different projects, and I learned new things along the way! I think being on the Board is a great opportunity for anyone who wants to get involved and make a difference."

Lizelle Masson
Parent Board Member

QUINTILIAN P&F | 2024 WRAP

This has been a great first year for the Quintilian Parents and Friends Association. We successfully setup and delivered a number of new events, adding to the social calendar of our school and connecting more widely with parents and friends across our community.

Our aims for the year were to set up a new P&F organisation, hold at least 2 events, and break even on budget. Following a parent and student poll we chose the most popular and manageable events and succeeded in running an Outdoor Movie Night, Quiz Night and holding the Mother's Day and Father's Days stalls. In addition we supported the school with the ever-popular Family Scitech Night and the inaugural Quintilian Kids Market for Kids, all of which received excellent feedback from the parent body and I thank all of you who volunteered to help.

Looking ahead to 2025, a number of the P&F team are moving on, providing a great opportunity for new members. To get involved, please reach out by email at quintilianpf@gmail.com or to your class parent rep / teacher or at reception.

With your help I am hoping our second year will be even more successful than the first!

- Chris Hurren, P&F President



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD



Thurs 28 Nov
Orientation
Morning

Fri 29 Nov
End of Year
Dance
Showcase
2 - 3pm

THURS 28 NOVEMBER
Orientation Morning
8.50 - 10.30AM

Students will be involved in a series of activities and free play & have the opportunity to spend time with their classmates and teachers in preparation for 2025.

Please pack a hat for outdoor play, some morning tea and a water bottle for your child.

NEW FAMILIES
Please meet at reception at 8.30am and you will be directed to your classroom.

Parents are welcome to stay -
Tea and coffee will be provided in the undercover area -

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PRE-KIPPY & KIPPY
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AFTER PARTY
DISCO
4 - 6pm

[Pre-purchase your tickets here](#)



Donate to "Give Write"

"Give Write" takes donations of new and pre-loved stationery to repackage and redistribute to students in need, allowing them to engage with their education and feel inspired to learn.

If you would like to donate lightly used or new stationery items, please drop them off to reception.

[Find out more about Give Write here.](#)



PIANO RECITAL 23 NOVEMBER

The end of year piano recital for Debbie's piano students is just around the corner.

Join us and watch your wonderful children perform!

We have two performance sessions on Saturday 23 November:

Session 1: 3.15 - 3.45pm

Session 2: 4 - 4.30pm

Please be sure to book tickets for the correct session that your child will perform in. If you would like to attend both sessions, please purchase a separate ticket for each one.

[Purchase tickets here.](#)

Seats are limited, so book now.



HOLIDAY DRAMA CLUB 20 - 24 JANUARY 2025

Debbie will be running her usual weekly Drama Club in January 2025 and the show this time will be HAIRSPRAY! A fun musical for all.

The week will run from Monday 20th – Friday 24th January at Quintilian School, Music Hall 9.30am - 3pm daily.

Spaces are limited so if you don't want your child to miss out on this fun-filled week, contact Debbie and book now - actonedramaperth@gmail.com

