

ADMISSIONS 13+ AND 16+





# OUR SCHOOL

Cranleigh is a vibrant school which is large enough for diverse opportunities and small enough for every individual to be known, supported and encouraged, whatever activities they undertake.

Choosing the right senior school is one of the most important decisions a family will make together. Our admissions lists are opened only two years before the proposed date of entry, enabling children and their families to make a more informed choice.

We welcome visits from prospective parents and pupils. Our small group meetings take place on Saturdays throughout the year, providing the opportunity to meet the Headmaster and House staff and enjoy a tour of the school. In addition, individual visits and tours may be arranged.

# OUR COMMUNITY

What makes Cranleigh really special is the caring and friendly community. Every year pupils join Cranleigh from a range of different schools in the UK and a small number from overseas. Cranleigh is accessible to all families. A range of scholarships and awards are made available every year and these may be supplemented with means tested bursaries to fulfil our aim of encouraging a community of diverse backgrounds and interests. For full details of awards please see our handbook on Scholarships and Bursaries.



Pupils come to Cranleigh from a range of feeder schools, including:

Aldro	Downsend	Prebendal
Amesbury	Duke of Kent	Ripley Court
Barfield	Edgeborough	Rokeby
Barrow Hills	Feltonfleet	Shrewsbury House
Belmont	Godstowe	St Andrew's Horsell
Brambletye	Hall Grove	St Edmund's Hindhead
Broomwood Hall	Highfield	St George's Windsor
Cottesmore	Hoe Bridge	St John's Beaumont
Cranleigh Preparatory School	King's House School	The Hawthorns
Cranmore	Lanesborough	Thomas' Fullham
Cumnor House	Newland House	Thomas' Prep Clapham
Danes Hill	Northcote Lodge	Westbourne House
Dorset House	Parkside	Windlesham House
	Pennthorpe	

# 13+ ADMISSIONS

## STAGE 1: VISITS

If you do not already know Cranleigh, we strongly recommend an initial visit during one of our small group meetings. These take place on Saturday mornings throughout the academic year. Advance booking via our Admissions Office is essential.

Small group meetings provide several families with an informal opportunity to hear about future plans for the School, to meet the Headmaster and House staff, and to enjoy a tour of the School with a current pupil.

Individual visits may also be arranged during the week.

## STAGE 2: REGISTERING

If you wish to be considered for a place at Cranleigh, a registration form and non-refundable registration fee should be submitted to the Admissions Office. Registration forms are available on-line or via the School prospectus.

Early registration is recommended, ideally in Years 4 or 5. Applicants may be offered 13+ deferred places, with testing taking place in Year 6 and subject to Common Entrance in Year 8.



## STAGE 3: HOLISTIC REVIEW

Registered applicants will be invited to an Assessment day during January in Year 6.

The Assessment is a holistic review of the candidate's interests and abilities. It consists of an informal interview with a senior member of staff, a discussion group with the Headmaster, an English creative writing paper, two short Mathematics papers, an on-line test and fun team building activities. A report is required from the candidate's current school.

The interview will provide candidates with an opportunity to discuss their passions and what motivates them, during which interests and talents outside the classroom will be highly valued.

Following the Holistic Review, and receipt of a positive recommendation from the candidate's current Head, an unconditional offer may be made.

Cranleigh is in the fortunate position of receiving many more applications each year than we have places available. Admissions decisions therefore take into account a variety of factors. We need to be confident that a pupil will thrive academically but we also consider what wider contribution he or she will make to the Cranleigh community, particularly those individuals who will make the most of the available opportunities.

## STAGE 4: WAITING LISTS

The majority of offers are made during the Lent Term of Year 6. We operate a waiting list and keep parents, guardians and schools informed of movement and should a place become available. Late applications are accepted subject to the length of the waiting list.

## STAGE 5: SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Cranleigh offers a range of academic and other scholarships and awards. To gain an award or scholarship, candidates must demonstrate both excellence in their chosen field and exceptional promise. Applications should be received by the advertised closing date in Year 8.

For full details of awards and scholarships, please see our Handbook on Scholarships and Bursaries. Application forms are available to download on the website.

## STAGE 6: EXAMINATION

The majority of offers are made during the Lent Term of Year 6.

All candidates, who have been offered a 13+ deferred place will take the ISEB Common Entrance Examination in June of Year 8 for setting purposes.

Separate provision is made for candidates not being prepared specifically for Common Entrance. These assessments will take place in May of Year 8.



# 16+ ADMISSIONS

## STAGE 1: VISITS

A limited number of places are available to pupils who are likely to achieve strong results in their GCSE examinations. Entry is competitive and successful candidates are likely to be predicted A\* and A grades at GCSE or IGCSE. If you do not already know Cranleigh, we strongly recommend attending our Sixth Form A Level Options Fair. This will take place in September and the date will be posted on our website. We request that advance booking is made via our Admissions Office.

The Sixth Form Options Fair provides families with the opportunity to hear about the curriculum, co-curricular activities and future plans for the School. There will also be the chance to meet the Headmaster, Director of Studies and House staff, and to enjoy a tour of the School with a current pupil.

Individual visits and tours may be arranged where necessary and appropriate via the Admissions Office.

## STAGE 2: REGISTERING

If you wish to be considered for a place at Cranleigh, a registration form and non-refundable registration fee should be submitted by September 30th of Year 11. Registration forms are available via the School prospectus or to download from the School website.

Candidates must be over 15 and under 17 years of age on the 1st of September in their year of entry to the School.



## STAGE 3: PUPIL ADMISSIONS INTERVIEW AND ASSESSMENT

Registered candidates will be invited to attend an interview and assessment in November of Year 11.

Assessment for Sixth Form places consists of the requisite predicted results at GCSE, verbal reasoning and non-verbal reasoning papers, a written English paper, and a satisfactory report from the candidate's current school. Candidates will also be required to attend an informal interview with the Head or Deputy Head of Admissions. This interview will comprise an holistic review of the candidate's specialised academic subjects plus their interests and abilities in extra-curricular activities.

Specific dates for the year of entry are available on the School website.

Following interview and receipt of a positive recommendation from the candidate's current Head, a conditional offer will be made. This will be dependent on successful completion of GCSEs with the required grades.

Offers will be made from December onwards, dependent on availability of places.

## STAGE 4: SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Cranleigh offers academic and other scholarships. To gain an award, candidates must demonstrate excellence in their chosen field.

For further details of awards, please see our handbook on Scholarships and Bursaries. Application forms are available to download on the website.

## STAGE 5: CONFIRMATION AND ACCEPTANCE

Places are confirmed subject to candidates achieving the required standard at GCSE.

On receipt of an offer, confirmation of acceptance must be received within two weeks.

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