



# CRANLEIGH CONNECT

*Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh School parents/guardians*

**FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER**



## FROM THE HEAD

The festive spirit was out in full force at school this week with a host of Christmas events to celebrate the season and round off a brilliant term. My thanks go out to all our teams of staff but especially this week to catering and music who made the events extra special. Sixth Formers were treated to a black tie dinner and all pupils enjoyed the new addition to the calendar with Wednesday's Winter Wonderland providing a feast of entertainment.

The carol services were joyful occasions and it was good to see so many of you in attendance. I hope to see you at more events next year; tickets for the Big Band Supper on February 1st sold faster than Glastonbury weekenders and I know that has left some of you disappointed, thank you to those on the waiting list for your patience and messages of support. Wishing you all a peaceful Christmas and a very happy New Year.

**Mrs Samantha Price**  
Head

## THE CRANLEIGHAN MAGAZINE 2024

We are delighted to share the annual Cranleighan Magazine for the academic year 2023 - 2024. This magazine rounds up Cranleigh life from all areas of the School, whether that is co-curricular or academic and acknowledges everything we achieved last year. A great read over the Christmas break!

Huge thanks to all of our staff for their involvement in bringing together this fabulous publication.

To read, visit [here](#).



## CHRISTMAS DINNERS

Pupils feasted on Christmas Dinners on the last night of term, complete with crackers and festive fun, before heading to their House Prayers.



## CAROL SERVICES

It was wonderful to welcome parents, guardians and families to year group carol services, followed by festive refreshments, a real community event.

A huge well done to the choir for leading with beautiful music.



## SIXTH FORM BALL

Our Sixth Form had a formal Winter Ball on Wednesday Evening, with a three course dinner followed by the fun of our Winter Wonderland.



# CRANLEIGH SCHOOL'S WINTER WONDERLAND

For the first time ever, pupils experienced Cranleigh School's Winter Wonderland! Set in the VHC Quad, pupils stepped into a magical land of endless fun on Wednesday night.

Complete with a Chair-O-Plane, silent disco, chocolate fountain, fish and chip van, hot food van, games stalls and even snow, it was a joy to see all pupils having a brilliant time to end the term.

Enormous thanks must go to our Staff who prepared this magical experience for our pupils - even Santa made an appearance!



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

On Friday evening, the annual Christmas concert took place in the Speech Hall, and featured the School's major ensembles and chamber music groups, which have been preparing their performances throughout the term. The concert was well attended by pupils including the whole of the Lower Fifth, together with many parents, friends and supporters.

All of our musicians are to be heartily congratulated for their commitment and dedication, and for providing an evening of such entertaining and varied music-making.

To read more, visit our [website](#).



## TRIPS OVER THE HOLIDAYS

Over the holidays we have several trips heading out to different locations:

- Iceland
- Washington DC/New York
- Les Menuires, France

As always, follow our Instagram page [@cranleightrips](#) to see what our pupils get up to!



## SIXTH FORM SPOTLIGHT

As the term comes to a close, there is much to celebrate in the Sixth Form. We have put together two Futures Department Newsletters for both Upper Sixth and Lower Sixth students, offering a recap of the term and a preview of what's to come in the New Year. These newsletters are packed with valuable tips, resources, and links to help Sixth Formers maximise their potential over the Christmas break.

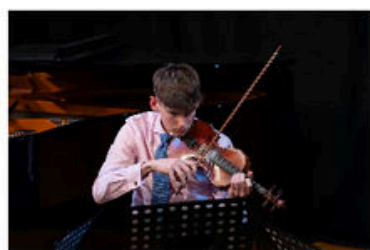
They also highlight key dates for the upcoming term. Notable features include our Upper Sixth public speaking workshops, led by Fiona Lennon, as well as an invitation to all Lower Sixth students and parents to join us for drinks and a Futures presentation at 18:30 on Monday 6th January.

## VEX ROBOTICS

On Saturday 7th December the Design Engineering department hosted a VEX Robotics National Qualifying Event. There were 16 visiting teams from across the country and also a guest team, Alanya Robotik who travelled all the way from Turkey as part of their study tour! The Cranleigh Robotics team 18650G got off to a flying start winning all three of their first matches, a brilliant start in their first ever competition. Read more on our website!



## UPCOMING EVENTS



17 JANUARY 2025

**SENIOR LUNCHTIME  
CONCERT**

MUSIC



31 JANUARY 2025

**SENIOR PIANO, WIND &  
BRASS COMPETITION**

MUSIC



7 FEBRUARY 2025

**JUNIOR LUNCHTIME  
CONCERT**

MUSIC



1 MARCH 2025

**WELCOME MORNING –  
1ST MARCH**

OPEN EVENT



1 MARCH 2025

**WELCOME MORNING –  
8TH MARCH**

OPEN EVENT



7 MARCH 2025

**JUNIOR MUSIC  
COMPETITION**

MUSIC



12 MARCH 2025

**RISEING STARS CONCERT  
AT CRANLEIGH ARTS  
CENTRE**

MUSIC



19 MARCH 2025

**JUNIOR AND SENIOR  
DRUMS COMPETITION**

MUSIC

