



CRANLEIGH CONNECT

Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh School parents/guardians

FRIDAY 17TH JANUARY



FROM THE HEAD

This week has brought a delightful host of visitors to our community. We've welcomed hundreds of children from a range of prep schools for our assessment days and it's been a pleasure to spend time with them and hear their first impressions of our school. Pupils from Cranleigh Changsha have been with us on an extended exchange visit and been fully immersed in school life, making friends across year groups and bring together our global family.

Next week sees the start of our Winter Festival and we're excited to be joined by more pupils from our international family, this time from Cranleigh Abu Dhabi. They'll be fully involved in the performance schedule and I hope to see many of you at the various events and concerts. On Tuesday the Senior Prefects led a superb assembly on the School's values where they spoke on general views from the school about matrons: courtesy, punctuality, the importance of saying thank you and consideration of others; they received an enthusiastic round of applause. I wish you and all our families a restful recovery after the weekend's fixtures.

Mrs Samantha Price
Head

WELCOMING PUPILS FROM CRANLEIGH CHINA CHANGSHA



This week, we have been fortunate enough to welcome students from Cranleigh's school in Changsha, China. The students arrived bright and early on Monday morning (having only landed the night before) and have enjoyed spending time with pupils and partaking in many of the activities that our Cranleighans experience on a daily basis. A massive note of thanks must go out to our pupils who were paired with students and helped them enjoy their time with us.

Throughout the week, our guests have tried many new things, such as Eton Fives and rugby, and the week culminated in some presentations to staff about what they had learned during their stay with us. This group will now spend the next week visiting universities around the country before heading home and we will welcome a new set of pupils from China on Monday.



ART PRIZE AWARDED TO ZOE G.

The Arts Society Cranleigh in partnership with the Knowle Park Trust recently launched a competition for pupils attending Cranleigh's Schools from Year 1 to Year 13. Their brief was to create a characterful and original 'face' to be carved in wood to be attached to a tree in Kowle Park.

We are delighted that Zoe G., Upper Fifth, has been crowned winner with her imaginative and detailed painting of Echo from the story of Echo and Narcissus. They felt it would translate beautifully into a wood sculpture for the park, and the wood carver, Ella, is excited to bring Zoe's vision to life.

Congratulations Zoe!



EGGS AT CRANLEIGH!

With over 700 pupils to feed on a daily basis, fresh eggs are one of the top and most favoured items that can be found in our kitchen and on plates!

Take a look at the photos showing our chefs in the kitchen preparing the multiple ways the eggs are served throughout the day.



ROAD CLOSURES

The following message has been sent to residents of Amlets lane, which may impact those driving into Cranleigh from that road:

Carriageway preparation works will take place on 21 January for 2 days - 8am to 5pm. There will be a road closure between these times.

The works will be from the junction with Barhatch Road to the junction with Mannings Hill.

ACTIVITY WITH A DIFFERENCE IN R.P



In A-Level RP, DCT pupils have been learning about St. Augustine (354-430 AD).

To consolidate their learning they were set the fun challenge of creating an Instagram profile that explored his life and teachings, had social media existed!

PAINTBALL FUN FOR BOARDERS

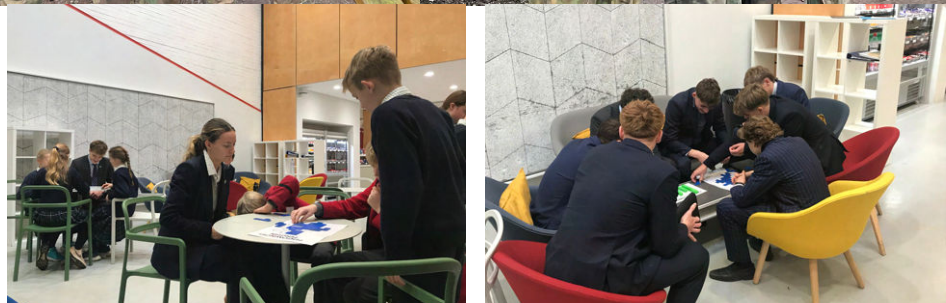
Over the weekend our boarders went paintballing as part of their weekend activities. They had great fun, and thank you to the staff who took them for giving up time in their weekend.



BOYS' HOUSE BOULDERING

The boys' house bouldering took place this week which is always a fun evening, attended by many peers.

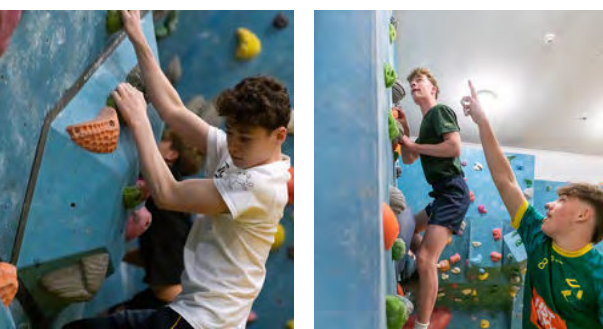
Girls' house bouldering took place in the Michaelmas term.



ASSESSMENT DAYS FOR PROSPECTIVE PUPILS

It's been great to welcome over 200 pupils over the last two weeks who are looking to join Cranleigh in 2027.

It was particularly lovely to see members of our Sixth Form stop and chat to the young pupils before their interviews and even get fully engaged in the puzzle session in Gatleys.



SPORTS UPDATE FROM MR HOUSTON

To read a full sports update, please click [here](#).

This weekend we see a vast number of matches and fingers crossed with a dry weather forecast, all teams will be out playing their matches. As ever please do check our sports desk [here](#) for further details and you can check which team your daughter or son is in from 7pm on a Friday.

CONGRATULATIONS OSCAR!

OC Oscar Beard (North, 2020) has been selected for the Six Nations squad - what a remarkable achievement! Mr Houston has sent some words of encouragement:

You have always been an outstanding role model for our pupils, continually inspiring us all.

Your hard work and dedication have truly paid off, and we hope you thoroughly enjoy this incredible opportunity. If you get the chance to play against Italy - and therefore against fellow OC Dino Lamb - remember to be kind to each other!



MOLLY B-S.
REPRESENTING
SCOTLAND CRICKET
IN THE U19
WORLD CUP



CRANLEIGH
EX CULTU ROBUR

INTERNATIONAL, PREMIERSHIP AND NATIONAL SPORT SUCCESS

Some of our pupils have recently been involved in exciting sporting success with both national, international and premiership teams.

Many congratulations to all pupils who have achieved success in sport lately, and we look forward to following your journey.

JOE T.
PLAYED FOR
HARLEQUINS RUGBY
U18



CRANLEIGH
EX CULTU ROBUR

ALEX F.
SELECTED FOR
ENGLAND CRICKET
U19 TOUR



CAM W.
REPRESENTED
BATH RUGBY
U18



CHARLOTTE B.
ATTENDED
ENGLAND RUGBY
U18 TRAINING
CAMP



LUISA C.
TRAINED WITH
WALES HOCKEY
U18



ALEC C-J.
TRAINED WITH
ENGLAND HOCKEY
U18



MATT H.
TRAINED WITH
ENGLAND HOCKEY
U18





WINTER FESTIVAL

WITH CRANLEIGH ABU DHABI

26th JANUARY – 1st FEBRUARY 2025
CRANLEIGH SCHOOL

We are thoroughly looking forward to the beginning of our Winter Music Festival. Do have a look at the below events and we look forward to welcoming many of you.

SUNDAY 26th JANUARY

**15:00 ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA
(ROYAL FESTIVAL HALL, LONDON)**

Vasily Petrenko conducts this explosive concert with music by Alban Berg, Beethoven and Stravinsky.

TUESDAY 28th JANUARY

17:00 INFORMAL CONCERT (CPS CHAPEL)

Young musicians from Cranleigh Abu Dhabi join our prep school pupils in what promises to be a vibrant, fun and entertaining concert.

**19:30 ART & MUSIC LECTURE RECITAL WITH
DAVID VAIANI & RICHARD SAXEL (MMS)**

Exploring the links between Art and Music through a selection of paintings, in what promises to be an illuminating evening!

WEDNESDAY 29th JANUARY

**19:30 BAROQUE CONCERTO CONCERT
(CHAPEL)**

Showcasing some of the repertoire from the current GCSE and A-Level syllabus.

THURSDAY 30th JANUARY

**17:45 LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION
(DINING HALL)**

A traditional Chinese Lion Dance performance and workshop for the younger pupils.

**20:30 CELEBRATION CONCERT
(EMMS CENTRE)**

Embracing the whole Cranleigh family with bands, soloists, classical performers and musical theatre singers.

FRIDAY 31st JANUARY

08:00 CHAPEL SERVICE

Chapel Brass ensemble accompanies the hymns in Chapel for our early morning Service.

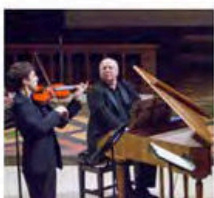
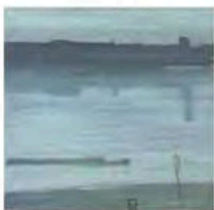
**19:30 SENIOR PIANO, WIND & BRASS
COMPETITIONS (MMS)**

Our Sixth Form performers compete in these three instrumental categories.

SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY

**18:45 BIG BAND SUPPER DANCE
(SPEECH HALL)**

Cranleigh Schools' combined Big Band provides the entertainment for a wonderful night of dancing and jazz.



ROUND THE HOUSES

EAST



House bouldering



Through to final of house chess 5/7 wins against North/West



Lots of fun at the weekend paintballing trip!



MARTLET



House chess



House Badminton



Lower Sixth trip to Sixes

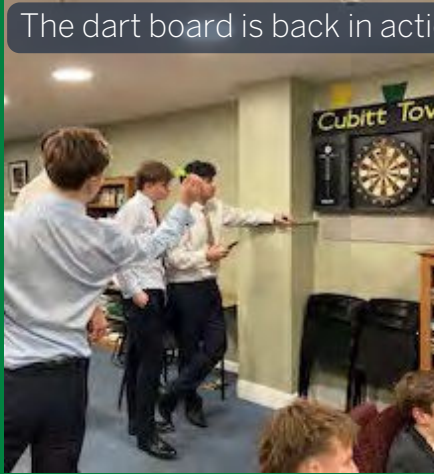


Brain food before prep!



Lower Fifth trip to the cinema

CUBITT



The dart board is back in action!



House Chess



WEST



More epi-pen training



News in the world catch up



Stars of the week



A close up of Zoe G.'s artwork win



House badminton



House chess



SOUTH



Lower Sixth cereal social



Upper Fifth Pizza night- a well deserved treat for all their hard work preparing for their



House badminton



House Chess



rehearsals



RHODES



House badminton



House Chess



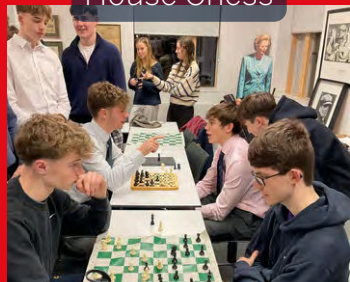
LOVEDAY



House Chess



House bouldering



NORTH



House Chess



House badminton

