



CRANLEIGH CONNECT

Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh School parents/guardians

FRIDAY 31ST JANUARY

FROM THE HEAD

It has been a real pleasure to host the group of musicians from our school in Abu Dhabi. They've joined with our own pupils to provide a wonderful showcase of performing arts for our Winter Festival to cheer the end of January.

Each evening has brought a different concert with our talented musicians treating audiences to a range of different solo and ensemble styles.

I'm very much looking forward to the finale with the Big Band Supper Dance on Saturday! It's been a celebratory week with a special feast and a visit from a Lion Dance troupe to mark Lunar New Year on Wednesday.

Our academic team has joined in the fun with a host of creative lessons and workshops, from ice-cream making in Physics to a theatre trip for Classics; and our pupils brought karaoke to Knowle Park nursing home as part of their Voluntary Action programme. Hoping to see many of you at tonight's concert or tomorrow's dance.

Mrs Samantha Price
Head



SUNNY DAYS ARE HERE!

For the first sunny day in what feels like an age, this was a chance for the Fourth Form to try their hand at photography.

They took photographs of trees to create David Hockney style collages.



WINTER FESTIVAL

WITH CRANLEIGH ABU DHABI

26th JANUARY – 1st FEBRUARY 2025
CRANLEIGH SCHOOL

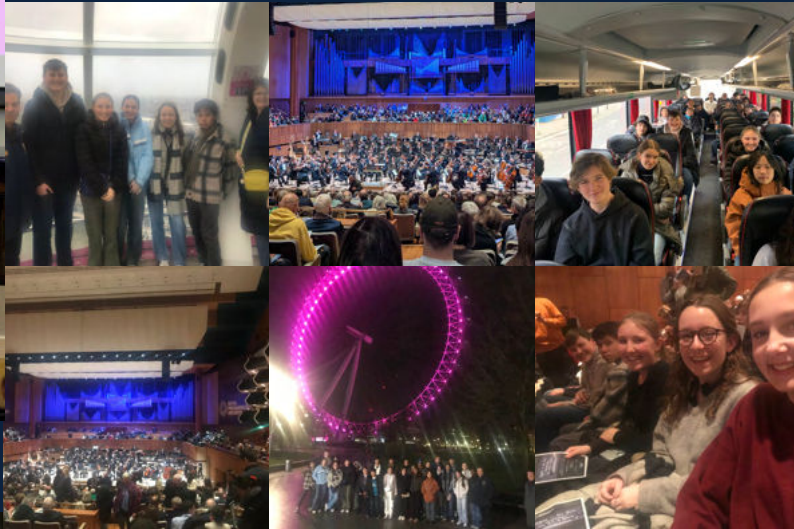
This week we were delighted to welcome pupils from Cranleigh Abu Dhabi for our Winter Music Festival.

Thank you to our Music department staff who provided a wonderful week packed full of events and shows. Our pupils were also brilliant in caring for our visitors and guiding them around the School.

MUSIC LECTURE RECITAL WITH MR DAVID VAIANI AND MR RICHARD SAXEL



TRIP TO LONDON AND THE ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA



BAROQUE CONCERTO CONCERT



CELEBRATION CONCERT



SPORTS UPDATE FROM MR ANDY HOUSTON

To read a full sports update from Mr Andy Houston, please visit [here](#).





DANCE WORKSHOP WITH CRANLEIGH ABU DHABI PUPILS

Pupils had a visit from dancer Renako McDonald on Tuesday for an assembly performance and dance workshops, both at the Prep and Senior Schools.

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATIONS

To celebrate the Lunar New Year, pupils received a visit at dinner time from the World Eagle Claw Association Chinese Lion Dance.

They were joined by pupils from the Prep School and pupils from Cranleigh Abu Dhabi for a workshop.

Thank you to Mr Mulae and the Cranleigh Being group for organising and sharing information about the Lunar New Year to pupils in assembly.



POLITICS CONFERENCE

On Monday, Upper Sixth Politics pupils participated in an enlightening online conference analysing the 2024 election results. This opportunity provided invaluable insights into the key factors that shaped the outcome of this pivotal election.

The conference boasted an impressive line-up of speakers, including esteemed figures such as Sir John Curtice, the renowned political scientist, and Lord Heyward, a prominent political commentator and member of the House of Lords. These experts offered their in-depth analyses, shedding light on the complex interplay of social, economic, and political forces that influenced voter behaviour and ultimately determined the election's result.



CLASSICS THEATRE TRIP

Sixth Form Classicists went to see Oedipus starring Rami Malek. A long awaited trip to see one of their set texts live!

THE USE OF THE SCHOOL CHAPEL IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES

The Lower Fifth started their new GCSE RS topic of Christian Practices with a trip to the Chapel. They were given the opportunity to explore the and think about the symbolism within the Chapel, as well as it's history.

We will return in the coming weeks to think about baptism and Holy Communion.



PHYSICS LESSON WITH LIQUID NITROGEN TO MAKE ICE CREAM

This week in Physics, Mr Hardy ran our liquid nitrogen experiment for the Upper Fifth. We began by demonstrating the effects of cooling roses and bananas, then moved on to showing how the pressure in a balloon changes when energy is removed.

We wrapped up with our classic liquid nitrogen demonstration, a long standing tradition in the department. All of this is made possible by our technician, Ofelia, and her unwavering enthusiasm for everything physics.

LOWER FIFTH PSHE LECTURE ON SCREEN TIME

Well known Psychologist Aric Sigman visited Lower Fifth pupils.

He provide a lecture around screen time dependency and being mindful of their time spent on screens.



KORROS MUSIC RECITAL AT G-LIVE

On Friday, the music department took our Upper Sixth students to GLive in Guildford to see a lunchtime recital given by the ensemble KORROS. This is continuing a composition project as part of their NEA coursework.

Following the concert the ensemble came to Cranleigh to workshop the student's compositions. The players highlighted the excellent work that has gone on in lessons since the last workshop and the students are now excited and inspired to complete their compositions ahead of them being performed in a concert at the school on the 25th April before being submitted for their A-Level.



VOLUNTARY ACTION COMMITTEE

Our Voluntary Action committee took part in a sing along on Wednesday afternoon at Knowle Park Nursing Home.

They provided the joys of ABBA in under an hour!



PURCHASING E-PENS IN THE SCHOOL SHOP

We are pleased to inform you that Metapens are now in stock and available to purchase in the school shop for £23.

These pens are the equivalent of the Apple Pencil (without the price tag) and are approved by the IT department. It is compulsory for pupils to have an e-pen and if they don't, teachers will be asking them to purchase from the School shop.



TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AROUND SITE

A gentle reminder in order to manage vehicle traffic around site, that when the one-way system is in operation, people should only be exiting out of High Upfold Lane or the main gate, and only entering through the Sanny Lane gate.

HOCKEY SUCCESS

Our 1st XI boys hockey coach – Ed Carson – was part of the winning team at the National Indoor hockey finals (Super 6's) over the weekend.

His team, Old Georgians, beat Wimbledon HC in the final to retain the trophy and qualify for the European Indoor Championships as the English representative team.



OLD CRANLEIGHANS IN THE SIX NATIONS

Old Cranleighan Dino Lamb, pictured, makes his 10th cap for Italy Rugby in the Six Nations squad against Scotland tomorrow.

Dino currently plays for Harlequins alongside OC Oscar Beard who was named in the England Rugby Six Nations squad too.

Congratulations Dino and good luck!



ROUND THE HOUSES

EAST



Through to House Challenge Finals, well done Stan, Ishe, Grace and Jayne



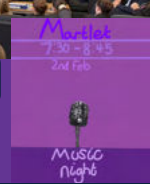
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Lunar New Year talk from the Prefects



Up and coming Music Evening this Sunday



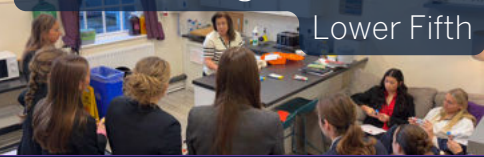
Upper Sixth Public Speaking Training



House Challenge Semi Final



EPI Pen training continued with Lower Fifth



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Fourth Form playing traitors after prep



Declan in Dangerous Minds



Cubitt Men of the Week



House challenge team

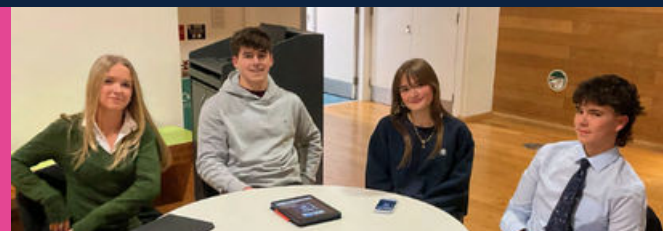


Lower Sixth peer mentors

WEST



Upper Sixth Matrons social



House Challenge



Lantern making



SOUTH



Upper Fifth cereal night



Made it through to the house challenge final next week



Lower sixth chip and dips

RHODES



Bella and Alexis presenting Dangerous Minds.



LOVEDAY



Mr L-Gs tutor group walk during tutorial time

NORTH



House challenge

