



# CRANLEIGH CONNECT

Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh School parents/guardians

**FRIDAY 7TH MARCH**

## FROM THE HEAD

To watch a video message from Mrs Samantha Price, click the screen below.



**Mrs Samantha Price**

Head



## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

Saturday 8th March marks International Women's Day which we celebrate as a School community. This year, the theme is #accelerateaction.

In Houses and tutor groups, pupils have been discussing the subject of this year's theme.

To read about the theme this year, visit [here](#).

## FIFTH FORM DRINKS RECEPTION

We are pleased to take further bookings for our Fifth Form social evening, hosted by Mrs Samantha Price. It takes place on Tuesday April 29th, at the IET, Savoy Place, London WC2R 0BL from 7pm to 9.30pm.

Drinks, canapés and bowl food will be served throughout the evening and Mrs Price will give an update about our plans for the Sixth Form. To register your place please complete the form by clicking [here](#).

## SPORTS UPDATE FROM MR ANDY HOUSTON

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



## WELCOME TO THEBES

Not long to go until our School Play of 'Welcome to Thebes' begins next week. Our pupils have been busy rehearsing in our purpose built set.

A reminder that if you haven't already, book your tickets through the link [here](#).



## VEX ROBOTICS NATIONAL SUCCESS

On Friday 28th February at Saturday 1st March the Cranleigh Robotics team took part in the VEX Robotics National Championship held at the International Centre in Telford. The team qualified for that Nationals as one of the top 40 teams in the country and put their robot to the test in both teamwork and individual skills matches.

The Cranleigh team secured an impressive 16th place in the leaderboard after their six timed runs.

This impressive performance did not go unnoticed by the judges who awarded the Cranleigh Robotics team with the Judges' Award.



## SENIOR HOUSE MATHS

Congratulations to East-Martlet who took the trophy for Senior House Maths this week in a hotly contested final showcasing our best mathematicians.

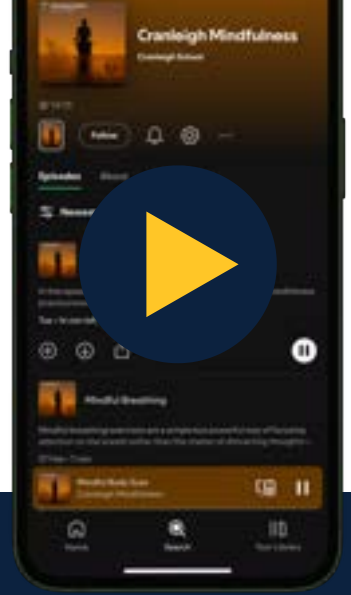


## MINDFULNESS MARCH

This month has been named Mindful March in an attempt to bring wider attention to positive mental health awareness in people of all ages.

Mr Mark Weighton has put together a series of guided mindfulness sessions which are available to listen on Spotify. Click the screen to the right to listen!

Pupils and staff will be able to see daily mindfulness activities to try displayed on screens around the School.



### 2ND XI BOYS V 2ND XI GIRLS

The boys and girls 2nd XI teams went head to head on Thursday evening in a "golden army" match with a golden sunset backdrop. A decent crowd of 6th formers turned out to watch a great standard of flowing hockey from both teams.



The girls were a little rusty (having not played since before Christmas) and found themselves 3-0 down, but rallied well at half time and kept the final score to a 4-0 win for the boys.

The match was played in great spirit and showcased one of the best things about hockey - the ability for boys and girls to play with or against each other on the same pitch. Well done to all involved.

## RUGBY SEVENS SUCCESS

For the first time, our Rugby Sevens squad entered two teams into the Surrey U18 Sevens Tournament. The 1st VII competed in the Cup tournament, while the 2nd VII played in an additional competition against other schools' 1st and 2nd teams.

Both teams performed exceptionally well, reaching their respective finals with impressive victories over schools such as Epsom, St John's Leatherhead, RGS Guildford, and Halliford. The 2nd VII defeated three 1st teams on their way to the final.

The 1st VII delivered superb performances throughout the day, only to be edged out in the final by London Irish ACE College, Bishop Wandsworth, again on the last play.

Many congratulations to both teams.





## LOWER SIXTH BUSINESS

Lower Sixth Business students were encouraged to develop a marketing strategy for a nominated brand.

They then had to present these to a class of harsh critics!



**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

You are warmly invited to the launch of James Harpur's new verse memoir, *The Magic Theatre*

Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 7.00pm

Cranleigh School, Horseshoe Lane, Cranleigh, Surrey, GU6 8QQ

*Drink, food and good cheer guaranteed, and even late-70s music.*

Following on from his prize-winning account of his school days at Cranleigh in *The Examined Life*, James now recounts the ups and downs, the pratfalls and the poetry, of his student years at Cambridge.

RSVP to Vickie Ingle: [VLI@cranleigh.org](mailto:VLI@cranleigh.org)



## OC BUSINESS FORUM

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April at 6:30pm

IET London

Professional networking with the opportunity to catch up with old friends, and listen to a debate on topics such as problem solving for start-ups, harnessing investors that fit your business, and sustainability and growth in a post-brexit world.

Tickets £15 including refreshments

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14 MARCH 2025  
SCHOOL PLAY: WELCOME TO THEBES

DRAMA



19 MARCH 2025  
JUNIOR AND SENIOR DRUMS COMPETITION

MUSIC



7 MARCH 2025  
JUNIOR MUSIC COMPETITION

MUSIC



12 MARCH 2025  
RISING STARS CONCERT AT CRANLEIGH ARTS CENTRE

MUSIC



21 MARCH 2025  
MERRIMAN ORCHESTRA CHOIR CONCERT

MUSIC



14 JUNE 2025  
OPEN DAY

OPEN EVENT

CRANLEIGH SCHOOL CHOIRS  
CRANLEIGH CHORAL SOCIETY  
MERRIMAN ORCHESTRA

# CHICHESTER PSALMS

BY LEONARD BERNSTEIN

3 concerto performances from  
PATRICK ARMITAGE (trombone)  
RICHARD ENGLISH (piano)  
CHARLIE MASKERY (violin)

FRIDAY 21<sup>st</sup> MARCH 2025, 7.30 PM  
SPEECH HALL, CRANLEIGH SCHOOL

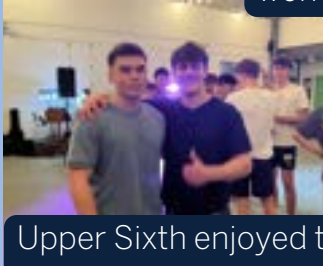
Tickets: [www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool)  
Enquiries: [music@cranleigh.org](mailto:music@cranleigh.org) or [tickets@cranleigh.org](mailto:tickets@cranleigh.org)  
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# ROUND THE HOUSES

4 East boys part of the 1st Rugby Sevens team who won the plate at the Hampton tournament last week

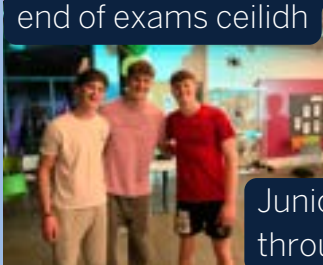
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Upper Sixth enjoyed the end of exams ceilidh

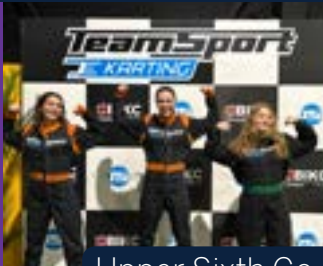


Pancake day in house!



Junior house maths team through to the final

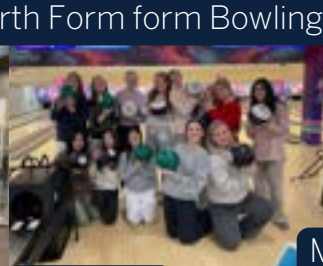
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Upper Sixth Go-Karting



Fourth Form form Bowling



Laser Tag



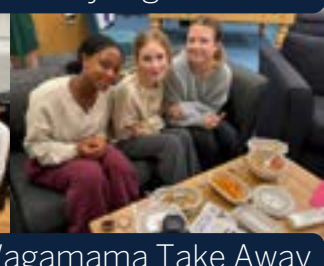
Monday Night Football



Senior House Maths Winners



Upper Sixth Wagamama Take Away



## CUBITT



Will and Luke - Men of the week



Ralph playing for the 1st XI



Will B. has been selected for GB at the U19 European Champs!



Charlie at the Rugby Sevens



A new shirt on the wall - Tom Lawes

## WEST



Monday Night Football



Star of the week



Upper Sixth bowling and Burgers



SOUTH



Some great English projects from the Fourth Form



Sophia delivering an assembly on International Women's Day



Upper Sixth preparing for hosting on International Women's Day  
Cubitt for dinner on Friday

RHODES



Fourth Form Karaoke with North House on Wednesday evening.



Ali B., Georgia C. and Jess R-S. ready for the Senior Maths Challenge Final on Wednesday!

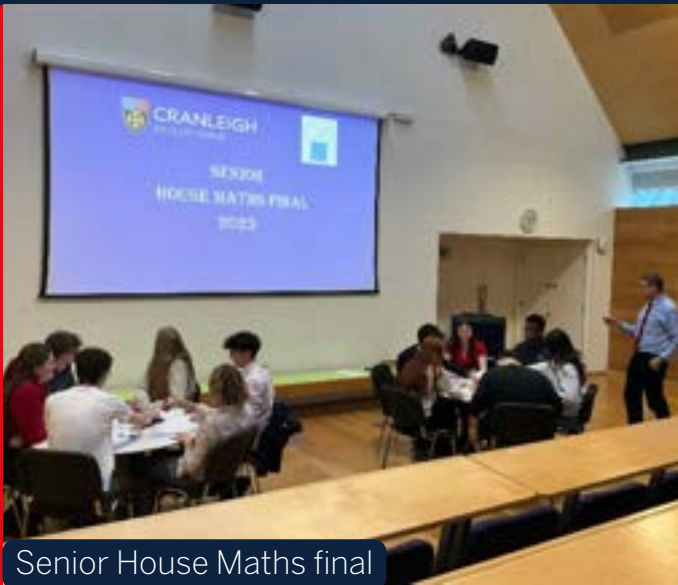


Lower Sixth chips and dip last week



Pancake Day!

LOVEDAY



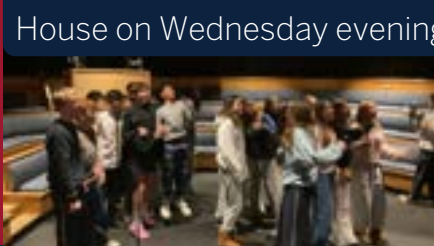
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NORTH



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#AccelerateAction for International Women's Day