



CRANLEIGH CONNECT

Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh School parents/guardians

FRIDAY 23RD MAY



There is no doubt that the highlight of the past week has been the Junior Production of High School Musical 2, which has brought a vibrant energy to the entire school community as we approach Long Leave. The talent displayed by our youngest pupils was truly outstanding; their performance was lively, joyful, and thoroughly entertaining from start to finish. The superb set, created by our stage production team, was of a standard worthy of the West End. A huge thank you to the cast, our wonderful technical crew, the backstage team, and of course to Emily McGhee, Richard Saxel, and Laura French for their exceptional leadership of the production. It was a resounding showcase of the strength of our Performing Arts provision—testament to the dedication of our staff and the hard work of our pupils. It's a performance I won't forget for a long time.

As Long Leave begins, so too does the first phase of the refurbishment and development of our new Sixth Form Centre. I very much look forward to its completion in September and to sharing the progress with you along the way.

The coming week offers a well-earned break for everyone, especially our Upper Fifth and Upper Sixth pupils currently immersed in their GCSE and A-Level examinations. Lower Sixth will need to remain focused during the first week back as they complete the remainder of their assessments; whilst Fourth Form will also be studying for their Summer assessments in the middle of June. From there, the final stretch of term will be busy but short, culminating in our much-anticipated Speech Day.

I wish you and your families a restful and enjoyable break, and I look forward to welcoming pupils and staff back to school in early June.

Mrs Samantha Price
Head



SPORTS UPDATE FROM MR ANDY HOUSTON

Read a full sports update by visiting [here](#).



This week we were treated to our Junior Musical of High School Musical 2!

I am hugely proud of everyone's involvement and commitment to making this production such a success. As we approach summer it really is the perfect show to bring some joy and 'sparkle!' to the campus, providing those on study leave with some theatrical escapism and allowing our younger years to take centre stage and show the rest of the school what amazing talent we have coming through.

Mrs Emily McGhee, Director





"I really enjoyed getting to know some people in higher years groups, they are all really nice. This is my first time on the Cranleigh senior stage and it is really fun." - Tallulah B. Fourth Form (Sharpay)

"Being in High School Musical 2 has definitely been one of the highlights of my year. It has been so fun to see the whole cast and crew put in so much effort and energy to put this musical together." - Hannah-May F. Lower Fifth (Martha)



SCHOOLS TRIATHLON

We were delighted to welcome over 1,000 participants taking part and raising over £110,000 for [@restlessdevelopment](#) and numerous other charities at our Schools Triathlon on Sunday. Thank you to everybody involved for hosting such a wonderful event and all the volunteers who gave up their time to support the triathletes through the day.



CHARITY CRAN.DO COLOUR RUN!

In aid of BEAT and in association with Cranleigh Being/Diversity Alliance, one of the Cran.Do teams held a Colour Run on Wednesday enjoyed by all!





Today we take the opportunity to celebrate the success of some of our Leavers.

Joe T. leaves us to hopefully study Elite Sport at Loughborough University, one of the UK's leading institutions for performance sport. A dedicated and driven athlete, Joe has been a central figure in our unbeaten Rugby 1st XV and his leadership and consistency have marked him out as a player of real quality. His selection for Scotland in the U18 Six Nations Festival reflected not just his technical ability, but also his work ethic and composure under pressure. Joe's potential has been recognised at the next level, and he will spend six weeks this summer on trial with Leicester Tigers. We wish him every success as he embarks on the next stage of his rugby journey.

Cameron W. leaves us to study Sports Management and Coaching at the University of Bath, where he will also join their elite rugby programme on a university contract. A key member of the 1st XV, Cameron has combined outstanding athleticism with sharp game understanding to become one of the side's most dependable performers. His talent and commitment were recognised at national level with selection for the England U18 summer tour to South Africa in 2024 a remarkable achievement that underlines his potential. We look forward to following his progress closely as he takes the next step in both his academic and rugby career.

TENNIS SUCCESS FOR OUR GIRLS

The top girls pairs from all age groups headed to Bradfield on Saturday for the ISGL tournament – the competition was fierce and we were pleased to gain a 5th place finish.

Molly B. and Charley N. were our standout pair as they were unbeaten on the day.



GOLF TOURNAMENT HOSTS

We hosted a Girls' Invitation Golf Tournament on Friday last week, 25 girls from 6 different schools competed in a fun and inclusive event.

The Cranleigh team came 3rd with notable performances from Sam L. and Emma C.

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
BOOTCAMPS 6.45AM – 7.30AM 8.00AM – 8.45AM	STRENGTH & MOBILITY 11.15AM – 12.00PM	MUMMY & ME FITNESS 11.30AM – 12.30PM	ZUMBA® 9.30AM – 10.30AM

NEW FITNESS CLASSES AT TASC

We are excited to introduce a range of new fitness classes at the Trevor Abbott Sports Centre, now open to external guests! Whether you're looking to get fit, tone up, or simply have fun while working out, we have a variety of classes designed to help you reach your goals.

Our schedule includes something for everyone, including yoga, boot camp, Zumba and more to come! Our friendly instructors are here to support and motivate you throughout your fitness journey, ensuring you enjoy a welcoming and engaging environment.

After your class, feel free to relax, rehydrate, and replenish at the TASC café, which will be open for your convenience.

For classes and times, please see the timetable. To book your class please visit [here](#).

The music events below are available to book by clicking the event. Please note the date change for the Jazz Quartet concert.



11 JUNE 2025

JUNIOR TEATIME CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT

MUSIC



20 JUNE 2025

JAZZ QUARTET CONCERT

MUSIC



26 JUNE 2025

CRANLEIGH LIVE

MUSIC

Other
upcoming
events:



7 JUNE 2025

SIXTH FORM OPEN MORNING



14 JUNE 2025

OPEN MORNING

SUMMER 2025

As the days grow longer, this Summer term comes alive with a series of vibrant and memorable musical events. These performances showcase the talent of the students, featuring a wide range of musical genres and ensembles, from classical orchestras to modern bands. Whether it's the crisp notes of a string quartet or the energetic rhythms of a student-led rock band, these concerts not only highlight the hard work and dedication of the performers but also provide a joyful and inspiring experience for the whole school community

FRIDAY 25TH APRIL

7.30PM MMS

KORROS ENSEMBLE CONCERT

A fantastic concert of music for flute, clarinet and harp, featuring compositions by three of our A level students who have worked with this professional ensemble throughout the year.



FRIDAY 2ND MAY

7.30PM MMS

HELEN WAREHAM RECITAL COMPETITION

Our most advanced musicians give short recitals in our flagship competition, highlighting the breadth of musical talent in the school. Each performer presents a programme of their own choice, highlighting the department's commitment to musical diversity.



WEDNESDAY 7TH MAY

8.30PM MMS

SIXTH FORM OPEN MIC NIGHT

Contemporary music showcase concert



FRIDAY 9TH MAY

5PM CHAPEL

SUMMER CONCERT

Our traditional summer celebration features some larger ensembles (including the String Orchestra and Choir), alongside some chamber ensembles. The beautiful surroundings of the Chapel host this celebration of classical music, followed by a jazz reception in the Emms Centre featuring the Big Band in a party mood!



WEDNESDAY 11TH JUNE

5PM MMS
8.15PM VIVIAN COX THEATRE

JUNIOR TEATIME CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT & JUNIOR OPEN MIC NIGHT

The junior year groups present two showcase concerts - one classical, one for contemporary music.



FRIDAY 20TH JUNE

7.30PM MMS

JAZZ QUARTET CONCERT

Ruth Williams (flute) leads her jazz quartet in a performance of Claude Bolling's Suite for Flute & Jazz Trio. Featuring Tom Hollister (OC) on drums and Richard Saxel on piano.



THURSDAY 26TH JUNE

7.30PM SPEECH HALL

CRANLEIGH LIVE

The highlight of the year for our contemporary musicians! Our budding rock stars strut their stuff in an epic programme of hit songs!



Events requiring tickets: www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool

Enquiries: music@cranleigh.org or tickets@cranleigh.org

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