

# CRANLEIGH CONNECT

Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh School parents/guardians

FRIDAY 16TH MAY



I hope you've had a lovely week and found some moments to enjoy the sunshine between the showers. School has felt a little quieter than usual, with many of our pupils immersed in exams and focused revision—but there is still a tangible sense of purpose and energy in the air.



On Friday evening, it was a real pleasure to gather with the Upper Sixth in my garden for a relaxed celebration of their time at Cranleigh. As they prepare to take their next steps beyond school, it was wonderful to reflect on their many contributions and achievements. I'm very much looking forward to marking their final days with even greater celebration at Speech Day and the Leavers' Ball next month.



That same evening, the Summer Term Music Concert offered another memorable moment in the week. It was a joy to witness such a range of musical talent on display, brought to a rousing close by a brilliant performance from our Big Band—an uplifting way to round off a spring evening.



Looking ahead, there's plenty more to anticipate. Next week sees the Junior production of High School Musical 2, which I'm sure will be full of energy, enthusiasm, and creativity. And on Sunday, we're proud to welcome over 1,000 participants and supporters for the annual Schools Triathlon, raising funds for Restless Development—a cause that reflects the values we aim to instil in our pupils.

Whether you'll be supporting fixtures from the touchline or enjoying a quieter weekend in the sunshine, I wish you all a restful and enjoyable break.

**Mrs Samantha Price**  
Head



## SPORTS UPDATE FROM MR ANDY HOUSTON

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

## LEAVERS' GARDEN PARTY

Some fabulous photos from what was a wonderful evening to celebrate with our Upper Sixth. Featuring a group sing along to Auld Lang Syne with Mr Andrews playing the bagpipes, and an awards ceremony with some informal awards to celebrate students' achievements, it was a lovely evening with memories made for all.



Dhavid, (Upper Sixth North) bought his camera along to the Leavers Garden Party. He had a very creative challenge of trying to get the whole year to sign it. A great memory for the entire year group.

The video below, made by pupils George and Henry, captured some lovely moments from the evening and is a great memory for students to look back on.

Watch both videos below!





## SUMMER CONCERT

Friday's Summer Concert was a vibrant celebration of musical diversity, showcasing the remarkable talent and versatility of our young musicians. Held in the Chapel and the Emms Centre, the concert had energetic performances from the Brass Group, String Orchestra, Sax Group, Girls' Choir, and our Big Band Orchestra.



A thoroughly enjoyable evening, this concert was a testament to the hard work of all the performers, especially our exceptionally talented Upper Sixth musicians, who we will be very sad to say farewell to at the end of this term.



Read the full article [here](#).

## WHAT TIME IS IT...!

We are looking forward to our upcoming production next week of High School Musical 2! Tickets are going fast but limited numbers are still available to be booked [here](#). For parents visiting the site on Sunday, please refer to emails about parking with the Triathlon happening on the same day.



## LOWER SIXTH CHEMISTS EXAMINE THE SCIENCE OF MAKING GIN

Twenty five A-Level Chemistry students recently spent the afternoon at the Bombay Sapphire Gin Distillery in Laverstoke, Hampshire. The aim of the trip was for them to experience the intricate manufacture of a high profile everyday product, which applied some of the principles found in their studies.



From seeing the greenhouses where the botanicals flourish and the science behind the distillation process, students had a great day learning about the creation of the product.



Read more [here!](#)



## LOWER SIXTH STUDENTS EXPLORE THE BALANCE BETWEEN EFFICIENCY AND FAIRNESS IN ECONOMICS TALK

Our Year 12 students were treated to a fascinating and thought-provoking talk by Dr Bahar Ghezelayagh, Professor of Financial Economics at the University of East Anglia, titled "How do we make decisions when it comes to choosing Efficiency vs. Fairness?"



A huge thank you to Dr Ghezelayagh for such an engaging and insightful session, which has undoubtedly sparked new interest in Economics and its role in shaping the world around us.

## BOARDERS' TRIP TO THE LONDON EYE

Our boarders trip to the London Eye was great fun and a exciting way to see the iconic sights of London! Thank you to the staff who gave up their day to take them.



## CHARITY TRIATHLON IS NEARLY HERE!

It is almost time to welcome over one thousand children to our School for the Cranleigh School [@schoolstriathlon](https://www.cranleighschool.co.uk/schoolstriathlon) on Sunday! We host this event every year to raise over £100,000 for [@restlessdevelopment](https://www.restlessdevelopment.org/) and numerous other charities chosen by the participating schools.



We are really looking forward to it and we hope all the young people participating are too!

## FIRE BRIGADE TRAINING



On Wednesday, our local Guildford fire brigade paid a visit to the Equestrian Centre to sharpen their horse-handling skills. As part of their extensive training, animal handling is a top priority, especially when it comes to real-life emergencies. Having the ability to safely interact with horses and protect them in a crisis is no small feat, and we were thrilled to help out at our School.

Maggie, Fred, and Rambo enjoyed some extra carrots that night as a reward!

## 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.

CRANLEIGH ACTIVITIES			
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

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](#).

## CRANLEIGH MUSIC 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 25<sup>TH</sup> APRIL** 7.30PM HHS

**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 2<sup>ND</sup> MAY** 7.30PM HHS

**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 7<sup>TH</sup> MAY** 8.30PM HHS

**SIXTH FORM OPEN MIC NIGHT**  
Contemporary music showcase concert

**FRIDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY** 8PM 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 11<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** 8PM HHS @ 8.35PM 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 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE** 7.30PM HHS

**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 26<sup>TH</sup> 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!

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



7 JUNE 2025  
**SIXTH FORM OPEN MORNING**



11 JUNE 2025  
**JUNIOR TEATIME CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERT**  
MUSIC



14 JUNE 2025  
**OPEN MORNING**



20 JUNE 2025  
**JAZZ QUARTET CONCERT**  
MUSIC



26 JUNE 2025  
**CRANLEIGH LIVE**  
MUSIC

**TICKET** Events requiring tickets: [www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool)  
Enquires: [music@cranleigh.org](mailto:music@cranleigh.org) or [tickets@cranleigh.org](mailto:tickets@cranleigh.org)  
Music Office: 01483 542009

# ROUND THE HOUSES

EAST



Jamie and Rafe at Buckingham Palace celebrating their gold DofE!

House tennis champs



MARTLET



Upper Sixth return as juniors for their final lessons



Upper Sixth Farewell Garden Party

Upper Sixth Goodbye Letter Writing

Upper Sixth Study Leave Supper

Matron's Banana Bread



Upper Fifth Pizza Party

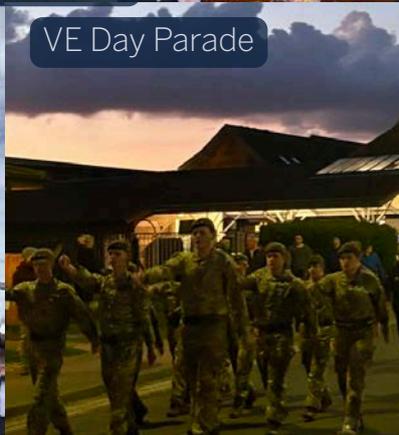


Upper Sixth by the Fire Pit



House Photos

VE Day Parade



Senior House Tennis

RHODES



Chocolate fountain for the Lower Fifth



Our senior house tennis winners!



LOVEDAY



CUBITT



House tennis



Summer concert



House cricket



Upper Sixth final night in house



Gold DofE awards at Buckingham Palace



SOUTH



South girls performing in the summer concert on Friday



Tabby receiving her Gold DofE at Buckingham Palace



Upper Fifth picnic to celebrate the start of study leave



WEST



Swim team social



Goodbye Upper Sixth



Stars of the week!



Well done Amelia receiving her Gold D of E award



Lower Fifth Social



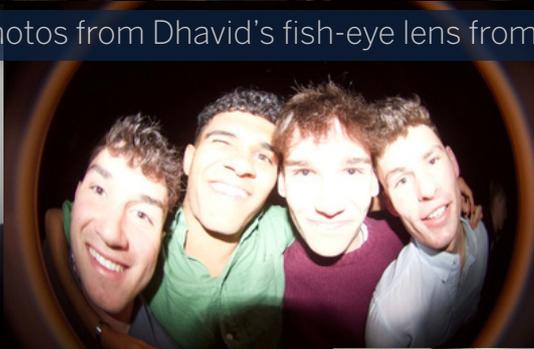
Dodgeball



NORTH



some still photos from Dhavid's fish-eye lens from last Friday evening



Toby and Hafiz playing a tense game of table tennis

