



The Cranbourne Catch Up

A School Newsletter



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Student Leadership Elections

This week, our Year 10 candidates have been busy running their campaigns and delivering excellent speeches to their fellow student and staff members, where they outlined their future visions and plans for improving the school.

We have been so impressed with the level of maturity shown and their passion and dedication to the Cranbourne Community has really shone through.

Students will cast their votes on Tuesday 20 May. We have some truly exceptional candidates in the running this year, and we are excited to see who Cranbourne elect!

Izzy F
Amalie J
Jess D
Victory O
Kwasi A
Calvyn D
Lily S



Don't forget! The Cranbourne Food Pantry is open to all every Thursday between 11.15am and 12.15pm.

Year 7's creations in Product Design

Year 7 have been busy in their Product Design lessons, designing and making Block Bots based on superheroes or characters of their choice. Mr Saumarez is extremely proud of their creative efforts – we think they look great!



Role Model Students Award

w/c 12.05.25 recipients

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10	Year 11
Ava-Rose L	Sohit P	Chloe C	Jessica D	Adam B
Mia M	Shane R	Maicy B	Dulcie C	Gypsy F
Deanna W	William P	Martha T	Ethan E	Mia S
Jasmine K	Bianca M	Wall-Ahmed K	Asbin R	Admirer A
Ella G	Amelie K	Ted S	Alice D-R	Mayana C-B x2
Harry G	Sean E		Zayaan R	Brooke S
Ethan L	Brooke B			Ethan P
Alice R				Maria P
Ella M				Lucy M
				Lily M
				Daisy R
				Anushka B
				Connor R

Well done!

Model Student

Celebrating VE Day

On Friday 9 May, staff and students enjoyed a tasty afternoon tea box as part of our VE Day celebrations. A big thank you to our wonderful Canteen team for always providing us with fantastic special menus!



Year 11 Leavers Hoodies

Year 11 Leavers Hoodies will be distributed to students on Friday 23 May, following the English Language Exam.

Please head to the Finance Office/Quad to collect at break time.

A reminder that students are required to remain in correct uniform for the remainder of the day - hoodies are not to be worn around school.

Performing Arts Month

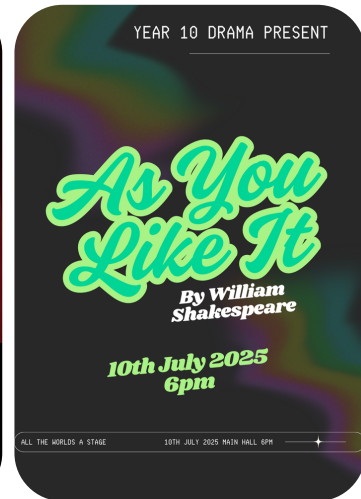
Performing Arts Month is quickly approaching and our students are working hard to perfect their performances! We've got a jam-packed showcase of events planned kicking off on Wednesday 18 June with our Summer Concert. After the success of the Spring Concert, we're back with a fresh round of talent ready to impress audiences.

On Monday 23 June, our Year 11 students will take to the stage for one final time with 'When They Go Low' – a bold and thought-provoking play exploring power, gender politics and the impact of social media in the lives of young people today. Bringing extra energy to the night, ensemble members from our Performing Arts club will also perform hits from Mean Girls: The Musical.

Next on the agenda is a double bill extravaganza on Tuesday 1 July beginning with 'Curtain Up', brought to you by our Performing Arts Club. Enjoy a dazzling selection of musical theatre classics before Year 9 present 'Bassett' by James Graham. The powerful and gripping play explores themes of youth, responsibility and rebellion set against the backdrop of a school in lockdown.

On Thursday 10 July, step into the world of Shakespeare like never before! Join Year 10 as they present an immersive performance of 'As You Like It', where the audience become part of the Forest of Arden! Joined by the Cranbourne Vocal Band and Dance Club, the evening is guaranteed to be fantastic time!

For all of our events, we are offering a pay what you can policy to ensure every member of our Cranbourne Community is able to access performances. Book your tickets today at www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranbourne-school



Book of the Week

We're excited to introduce our new Reading Ambassador, Jet-Dean!

His book of the week is the Collins Complete Guide to British Wildlife. Our first non-fiction book, it explores more than 1,500 species including trees, flowers, fungi, birds, snakes, fishes, butterflies... to name a few!



INTRODUCING TRIPLE FRIDAY

Equipment

Behaviour

Arrive on time

Uniform

Personal Best

A chance to boost your house points during PDL and all of your lessons - triple your points every Friday!

Meet the expectations in every lesson

Year 11 Prom

Don't forget to buy your ticket to Year 11 Leavers Prom on Friday 27 June!

They cost £15 and can be booked via Parent Pay.



News from the PE Department

Cheerleading Success in Florida

Congratulations to Cranbourne students Olivia G and Demi W and their cheerleading team Weapon X for their incredible achievements at The Summit 2025.

The competition, hosted at Walt Disney World Resort in Florida, is the world-championship of All-Star cheerleading for levels 1-4. Qualifying for The Summit is an incredible achievement in itself and shows elite skill and determination.

On Day 1 of the competition, the team delivered a flawless 'hit zero' routine, placing first in the world in their division. Day 2 unfortunately brought a slight hiccup to their routine, however they got back up and gave it their all, securing them fourth place overall.

They then went on to compete in the Nfinity Finals, delivering a sensational routine and earning themselves first place in their division, Grand Champions and the highest overall score of the entire competition!

What an absolutely fantastic accomplishment! The Cranbourne Community is in awe of your hard work, dedication and perseverance. We hope you are very proud of all you have achieved – we certainly are!



On Sunday 4 May, Ethan E competed with his athletics club at the Wessex League and not only secured himself a triple win, but also achieved new personal bests in all categories!

He jumped an incredible 6.39m in the long jump – just 1cm off the English Schools U17 qualifying distance – and ran the 100m in 11.5s and 200m in 23.7s.

Well done Ethan, you always do the Cranbourne Community proud!

Sister duo Abigail and Eloise competed at the School Athletics Championships on 4 May and both achieved a personal best!

Abigail jumped an impressive 3.98m in the Long Jump, with Eloise securing 1.25m in the High Jump.

Congratulations girls, you should be very proud of yourselves! The Cranbourne Community will be cheering you on at your next event!

Anyone for Cricket?

On Tuesday 13 May, we headed over to Brighton Hill for a Cricket Development afternoon, run by the Head of Department and in partnership with some of the coaches from the Chance To Shine programme.

It was a wonderful three hours, filled with easy, fun and useful drills to help build knowledge and understanding of the game as well as skill development. Our girls got to mix with students from other schools including The Vyne, Costello, Blue Coat and Brighton Hill and we even stopped for match teas. The cakes were yummy!

The sun shone for the best part of the day and before the girls went home, they enjoyed some mini competitive games before having to stop early as we were met with sudden rain, thunder and lightning!

The girls left feeling so much more confident about Cricket, how it's played and what's involved.

-Miss Alner



Year 10 Work Experience

At the end of April, 121 of our Year 10 students completed a week-long work experience placement, giving them the opportunity to learn new skills and gain a valuable insight into the world of work.

Students worked across a very diverse range of sectors and industries including education, engineering, beauty and equine care.

The feedback we have received from their employers has been exceptionally positive, and we are incredibly proud of the way they represented Cranbourne.

"Elise stepped right up to the Challenge and made all the difference! She always took such initiative - thinking ahead and offering help wherever she could. It has been wonderful to watch her relationship with the children grow and they will miss her lots! She will make a wonderful teacher in the future!"

"It was a pleasure to have Denis working with us in the Stagecoach workshop. He is a credit to the school and fit in so well with our team!"

"Riley was a credit to your school with his attitude and effort. We'd be very happy to support other pupils in the future if we get the opportunity!"

Our students have returned to Cranbourne life with a new found confidence, pride and ambition towards their futures. Here's what a few of them had to say about their placements:

*"It was a great experience and I enjoyed my time working in the school. I have discovered I really want to work with kids when I get older!" - **Ebony***

*"Going back to my old primary school and seeing my past teachers was so much fun! Throughout the days I started to get more comfortable and became confident talking to the students in my class. I really enjoyed helping them out and answering their questions - it's a shame the week went so fast!" - **Emily***

*"My placement at Network Rail was very good. I learnt so many new things and how the railway operates. I had some really fun experiences during my week!" - **Aidan***

*"Working at The Harvester improved my confidence and social skills. I learnt what it was like to do hard work at an intense pace which made me feel a sense of achievement!" - **Ashton***

*"I was anxious on my first day but the staff were so lovely, kind and helpful and put me at ease. I loved doing spelling with the kids, reading with them and teaching them Geography, Music and Art. The best experience I ever had!" - **Sophie***

Half Term Revision Sessions

During half term, there will be a selection of Year 11 revision sessions on offer.

Attending as many of these sessions as possible will maximise students' chances of achieving the best possible grades this summer.

Available sessions can be found on Edulink - please sign up by clicking on the 'Forms' button.

Basingstoke Area Youth Orchestra Concert

On Sunday 18 May, we have four members of our incredible Cranbourne Community participating in the annual Basingstoke Area Youth Orchestra concert at The Anvil.

The ensembles will be performing an exciting repertoire ranging from pop songs to film scores.

We wish you lots of luck and can't wait to hear all about it on Monday!

Dates for your diary

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Basketball Trip - 18 May
Student Leadership Elections - 20 May
Spanish Trip Departs - 21 May
Half Term - 26 to 31 May



LEARNER OF THE LESSON

w/c 5.05.25 Year 8 **abc+**

Callum H
Elijah O
Jake F

Frankie B
Muna N
Menaal I

Daisy D
Ellis B
Travis P

