



# The Cranbourne Catch Up

A School Newsletter



Edition 4 - Friday 14 November

## Remembrance Day

Head Students Jessica and Amalie represented the Cranbourne Community by laying a wreath at the Remembrance Day service at the War Memorial.

They were excellent Ambassadors for our school and were respectful, helpful and compassionate throughout the ceremony.

Lots of our students participated in other events across Basingstoke over the weekend, supporting in their roles as Scouts, Cadets and other voluntary organisations. It's fantastic to see so many of our pupils giving back to our local community.



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## Young Creatives

New Projects Association are launching an exciting new initiative aimed at young creatives aged 12 to 18 where you'll have the chance to form your own youth theatre company.

Alongside getting stuck in to Performing Arts activities, you will explore on and off stage roles in the creative industries including directing, script writing, choreography, lighting and sound.

Weekly sessions begin on Tuesday 13 January at Rucstall Community Centre – find out more and register your interest at

<https://events.bookitbee.com/new-projects-association/10-week-youth-theatre-challenge/>



Don't forget! The Cranbourne Food Pantry is open to all every Thursday between 11am and midday.

## Engine Idling

At Cranbourne, we are passionate about the environment and strive towards sustainability.

Our Green Cranbourne mission shapes everything we do and we want our impact on the environment to be as minimal as possible.

We encourage students to travel to school by foot, bicycle or using public transport, however we know this isn't always possible. We are therefore reminding parents, carers and visitors to not leave your car engine running whilst waiting to pick up or drop off students. We are located in a residential area and car idling not only wastes your fuel but releases toxic emissions into the air.

Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council run a clean air campaign, which aims to bust the myths associated with engine idling and encourages residents to make a pledge to reduce air pollution. You can find out more at <https://www.basingstoke.gov.uk/engine-idling>



## LEARNER OF THE LESSON

w/c 3.11.25

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Furkan D	Claudia B	Sophia G
Courtney W	Caryann D	Lewis G
Emily P	Abi W	Zayaan R
Noah O	Prapti S	Violet F
Esther H	Izabela G	Eli E
Sofia F	Jack S	Riley G
Shriyan V	Olivia W	Filip Z
Jack S	Heidi E	Maisie B
Daria M	Adam M	Ethan P
Tyurkiyan M	Hayden M-H	Riley H



## Dyslexia Friendly Books

Did you know we have Dyslexia friendly books in our library?

These books have:

- Dyslexia friendly fonts to reduce visual stress
- Tinted, heavier paper to minimize glare, also in a cream colour
- Spacious layout and clear formatting for easier reading
- Award-winning authors to captivate and inspire
- Short, age appropriate content that respects maturity
- Accelerated Reader quiz info included in every book

This week's Book of The Week is 'When Saturday Comes' by Tony Bradman, a Dyslexia Friendly edition.



*"Daniel had a hard time when his parents split up and his dad started working abroad. He had to move and start at a new school, but things changed for the better when he started playing football for the Haybrook Rockets.*

*This season, the team are in with a chance of winning the Championship, but just as things are looking up for Daniel, his dad comes back. The only time they can meet is a Saturday morning - when he plays football! He doesn't want to let his dad or his team down, so what will Daniel do?"*

## Warm and Welcome

If you're struggling with energy bills and the cost of living, the Warm and Welcome Event in Basingstoke Library will provide you with help and advice from local organisations.

No appointment needed, just arrive between 10am and 12pm on Thursday 4 December.

## Christmas Holiday Activities and Food Programmes

Already making plans for the Christmas holidays? Hampshire County Council's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme is back, providing children from low-income families with hot nutritious meals and a range of activities.

Find out more about what's on offer at <https://fish.hants.gov.uk>

## Dunelm Apprenticeships

Dunelm are hosting a webinar on Monday 1 December where you can learn more about their exciting apprenticeship opportunities. Book a free place at:

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/events/discover-apprenticeships-with-dunelm-webinar/>

They have also created a virtual work experience programme for ages 13+, offering 7 hours of immersive content across a range of areas of the business. Find out more at

<https://dunelmcareers.dunelm.com/>

## Green Cranbourne Needs You!

Are you passionate about the environment and keen to help make a difference?

We're on a mission to improve sustainability at Cranbourne through eco-friendly initiatives and community projects - but we can't do it without support from our students!

Join Green Cranbourne - meetings take place every Monday during PDL in C15.

## Skills 4 Work

Sovereign Network Group (SNG) are offering free employment support to any resident of Basingstoke and Deane through their Skills 4 Work Programme.

The programme will provide 1-to-1 support, access to IT equipment and help with CV writing and applications.

For further information, contact SNG directly at

[skills4work@sng.org.uk](mailto:skills4work@sng.org.uk)

## Monitor Day

Monitor Day will take place on Friday 12 December, which is an opportunity to meet with your child's tutor and discuss their progress.

10 minute appointments can now be booked via Edulink by clicking on the 'Parents Evening' icon.

## Dates for your diary

### November

MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA	SU
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Photo Day - 7 November

Year 11 Mocks Begin - 10 November

GCSE Graduation Evening - 26 November

Cranbourne Union of Students - 26 November

# News from the PE Department



Congratulations to Year 7 student Katie who secured first place in the Junior Elite silks at an aerial competition last weekend.

Katie was also awarded Overall Winner of the whole competition for demonstrating great stage performance and persistence after facing technical difficulties during her routine.

This is an especially well earned achievement as Katie has had 6 months away from training due to various injuries – what an impressive come back!



During the half term, Year 7 student Phoebe competed at the Southsea Dance Festival with her dance school, North Hampshire Academy of Dance.

Phoebe danced in a number of categories and took home first place in her character routine.



Congratulations to our Girls Football team who played their first fixture on Tuesday 11 November against The Vyne, winning 2-0!

The team, made up of Year 7 and 8 had great success, with all players working well together to secure the win. The girls made some great passes when in possession, transferring the ball across the pitch with excellent confidence and communication.

Jynelle played fantastically, scoring both goals for the team with assistance from Sarah and Jess worked hard to make some great saves in goal to keep a clean sheet. Well done to Emily, Skye and Maisie for their consistent efforts in defence and to Evie, Ella and Khadija for proving much needed support for our victory.

What an impressive start to your fixtures! Keep it up - the Cranbourne Community will be cheering you on at the next one!

Over the summer, Year 10 student Mia proudly represented the UK at the World Kickboxing Championships in Trier, Germany.

Competing on an international stage, Mia delivered an outstanding performance across several categories:

Light Contact – Gold  
Points Fighting – Silver  
Team Category – Silver

Mia's results are exceptional and demonstrate her talent, discipline and competitive spirit and have earned her a place in the 2026 World Tournament in Abu Dhabi.

## BASINGSTOKE SCHOOLS SPORTS QUIZ COMPETITION

A QUIZ THAT WILL TEST THE KNOWLEDGE OF SCHOOL TEAMS IN SPORTING MATTERS - THE PAST AND THE PRESENT - ACROSS ALL SPORTING DISCIPLINES

- ✓ SATURDAY 6 DECEMBER 2025
- ✓ 11:00 am. Final at 5:00 pm
- ✓ SOUTH SIDE REFECTORY, BASINGSTOKE COLLEGE OF TECHNOLOGY (BCoT), RG21 8TN

COME. LET'S NOT ONLY PLAY SPORT. LET US INSPIRE SPORTS MINDENESS BY TESTING OUR KNOWLEDGE IN SPORTS

FOR MORE DETAILS: together@rotarysport.org

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### Youth Activities for Mental Wellbeing

Sport in Mind provides free sport and physical activity opportunities for children and young people to help build confidence and self-esteem, meet new people and support low mood and other mental health challenges.

North Hampshire Sessions (term-time)

Day	Time	Activity	Age	Venue
Thurs	4.30-5.30pm	Sport & Games	10-14 years	Sports Hall, Andover Leisure Centre, West Street, ANDOVER SP10 1QP
Weds	4-5pm	Sport & Games	10-14 years	Sports Hall, Everset Community Academy, Oxford Way, BASINGSTOKE RG26 2UP

Session runs weekly (excluding school holidays)

"New joiners must first sign up"  
Scan the QR code above & email youth@sportinmind.org

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