



The Cranbourne Catch Up

A School Newsletter



Edition 13 - Friday 8 May

1500 House Points Rewards' Trip

Our end of year Rewards' Trips to Thorpe Park and Marwell Zoo are fast approaching!

To be eligible, students must have 1500 House Points by Friday 12 June. More information including dates will be coming soon.

Students have one last chance to earn a final boost - 150 House Points are up for grabs as part of our latest Attendance Streak.

Students can earn these points by maintaining 96% attendance, being on time to school every day and being punctual to all lessons between 6 May and 22 May.



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

Good Luck Year 11!

Good luck to all of our Year 11 students sitting their GCSE exams over the coming weeks.

Remember to take your time, stay calm and do your best. You've worked extremely hard to prepare and we know you'll do us proud!

Scratch Built Productions Workshop

Our Year 9 Drama students are delighted to be participating in a Creative Careers project delivered by Scratch Built Productions, where they will be working towards achieving a Bronze Arts Award (Level 1).

Throughout the project, students will be taking part in numerous workshops, participating in Basingstoke Festival and supporting the opening of 'The Toy Hospital'.

On Friday 1 May they participated in the first workshop, where they explored immersive theatre and puppetry.

They had a fantastic time trying out the puppets and learning more about the work Becky and Nick do within their roles with Scratchbuilt Productions.



Horticulture



Last week, our Horticulture students visited Cranbourne's allotment plot and planted some dahlia's and strawberries.

Our shed is now fully equipped with tools and we have big plans for the plot! We're so excited to get stuck in and look forward to sharing future updates.



Unifrog Webinar

On Wednesday 13 May, Unifrog are running a virtual webinar exploring the day in the life of an apprentice. Learn about a typical day, where to find opportunities and have your questions answered by experts.

Sign up for free at

<https://www.unifrog.org/events/upcoming/179-2-parents-and-caregivers-session-a-day-in-the-life-of-an-apprentice>

Tai chi Club

Students in Year 10 and 11 can now enjoy our brand new Tai Chi enrichment club after school on Tuesday.

Known for improving balance, flexibility and co-ordination, tai chi is a martial arts skill which incorporates meditation. Why not give something new a go?

QMC Superstars

On 23 April, our elite team of athletes participated in the annual Superstars competition at QMC. They worked tirelessly across the day in multiple fitness and co-ordination events to demonstrate overall skill, fitness, strength and endurance.

Well done to the whole team for giving it their all in each category and working to collect points for our overall team score. A special mention goes to Chloe H for earning second place in the Year 8 Girls category.

We're still awaiting the final results – keep an eye on our social media channels!



Performing Arts Month

Performing Arts Month is just around the corner! We have a jam-packed programme of events lined up, kicking off on Wednesday 3 June.

Year 9E Drama present 'Sparkleshark', which explores themes of bullying, social exclusion and the transformative power of storytelling.

Following this performance, our Performing Arts Club will take to the stage for their showcase extravaganza, performing hits from 9-5, Babies the Musical, School of Rock and Les Miserables.

On Wednesday 17 June, our annual Summer Concert returns with an eager line up of students ready to show off their musical talents!

On Thursday 9 July we're treated to another double bill, with Year 10 performing a bold reimagining of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream', followed by Year 9A's performance of 'Tuesday'.

Both of these plays are staged in the round, placing the audience at the heart of the action with immersive elements that blur the line between performer and spectator!

Students are working hard to perfect their lines and we can't wait to see them shine! Tickets are now available to purchase via Ticketsource, with all proceeds going straight back into our Performing Arts Department.

Book now at www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranbourne-school

Trip to Winchester University

On Wednesday 6 May, students visited Winchester University to get a better understanding of life as a university student.

The group began their day with a talk about pathways into university, before stopping in the student café for a drink. From here, they went on a tour of the West Downs Quarter with Winchester students, which included the opportunity to sit in the lecture hall. Some students even got to practice delivering a lecture to their peers!

Students also listened to a talk on the support given to students at Winchester, before taking part in a game where they took on the role of a student attempting to manage their finances in a typical week.

Finally, they were able to tour the King Alfred Quarter, including the student union, and visiting the Burma Road Halls of Residence, seeing the rooms they could live in one day.

Winchester staff were extremely complimentary of our students who listened and engaged with all the talks and tours.

Student feedback was overwhelmingly positive too, with many commenting on how much they want to go to Winchester University in the future. Winchester University, here they come!



BCoT Taster Day

On Thursday 9 July, Year 10 students will be attending a 'Taster Day' at Basingstoke College of Technology.

Taster Days are a great opportunity for students to get first-hand experience of what courses can offer and will have the chance to choose 3 courses to attend on the day.

Information will be coming out soon, please keep an eye on Edulink and make sure you complete the form.

Breakfast Club

We're excited to be launching Breakfast Club, a place to catch up and start your day in a calm environment. Do some arts or crafts, read a book or revise with some breakfast!

Students can enjoy a free breakfast item (pancakes, waffles, fruits, cereals etc) from 7.50am to 8.25am on Thursday and Friday in the Canteen.

A letter had been sent out on Edulink with the full details and a link to a form to register interest.

SEND Discovery Day

On Tuesday 12 May, Hampshire County Council are running a Discovery Day at Basingstoke Discovery Centre (RG21 7LS) between 2pm and 6pm, where families can learn more about the help and services available for young people with SEND.

Families will have the chance to speak with professionals from key SEND services, receive general support and advice, and get access to early help, assessment pathways and inclusive activities.

Find out more at

www.connecttosupporthampshire.org.uk/localoffer

Green Trees Award

We are delighted to have been awarded the Bronze Green Trees Award from the Woodlands Trust in recognition of our efforts in making Cranbourne greener.

We're working towards our Silver and Gold award, and hope to achieve them very soon!

Read more about it at

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/support-us/act/your-school/green-tree-schools-award>



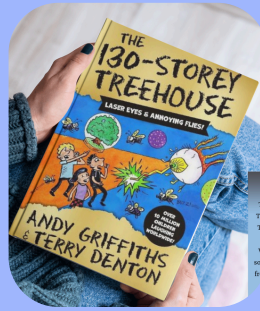
Dates for your diary



Cranbourne Union of Students - 13 May

May Half Term - 25 to 30 May

Books of the Week



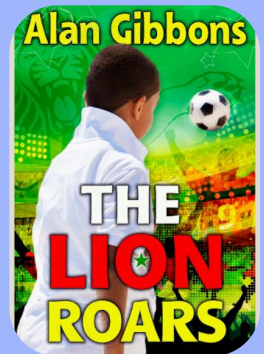
'The 130-Storey Treehouse' by Andy Griffiths and Terry Denton

"This is our Treehouse, come on up! We've added 13 new levels to our treehouse including a soap bubble blaster, a time-wasting level, a toilet paper factory and an extra terrestrial observation centre..."

'The Lion Roars' by Alan Gibbons

"Football is Jimi's biggest love and he dreams about playing for the Lions of Senegal. But Jimi's teammates say he's just a cub. Does he have the fight to make it as a star?"

But Jimi won't give in and he has his heroes to inspire him. Didier Drogba, Patrick Vieira and Yaya Touré. With their help, can Jimi grow into a lion?"



Year 11 Revision Sessions

Over the half term, there are a selection of Year 11 revision sessions taking place to help maximise their chances of achieving the best possible grades in their GCSE exams.

Full information can be found on Edulink.

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Lucas B
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Craig M

Riley W
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