



**CRANLEIGH**  
PREPARATORY SCHOOL

# CRANLEIGH PREP CONNECT

**FRIDAY 13TH JUNE**



Weekly term-time newsletter for Cranleigh Prep School parents/guardians



## FROM THE HEAD

Dear Parents and Guardians,

The first half of the week was strangely quiet, as the Form 6 pupils are enjoying their residential trip to Swanage. They have had a great time and richly deserved their time away from school. We are looking forward to the remainder of the Form 6 ACE Programme which continues at pace next week. Forms 1 to 4 have also had their collective heads down for end-of-year assessments and my congratulations to all of them for their hard work.

Despite some weather challenges, we have managed to still get a fair bit of sport into the week since the last Newsletter, including the IAPS National Swimming finals. The majority of the school have been gearing up for athletics this week, though we still found time for success in cup cricket. A massive well done to all and please see Mr Stone's summary for further details.

The last couple of days have seen our current pupils look ahead to next year, as well as new pupils return to the Prep School and spend some time both with each other and also new staff. There were plenty of excited faces and laughter, which bodes really well for September when we look forward to welcoming them all back as fully fledged Cranleighans.

Five of our latest recruits joined in with the boarding crew on Thursday night, along with 21 of our own in Forms 3 and 4, making the most of the bed space left by Form 6. A tip of the hat to the boarding staff who set up a 30m slip 'n' slide down the orchard slope to the delight of the kids. Messing about in the evening sunlight, surrounded by your mates. The very best of boarding in a nutshell.

Finally, thank you to the parents who were able to come along to the presentation on our new initiatives that we held on Thursday afternoon. It was great to see so many of you there and such levels of engagement are really important to us. We look forward to sharing finer details with those that were unable to attend.

Have a great weekend,

*Will*

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# RESIDENTIAL TO SWANAGE



Form 6 pupils have had an unforgettable week on their five-day residential in Swanage, taking part in a variety of exciting and challenging activities. The trip has been a fantastic opportunity for the children to build their resilience by stepping out of their comfort zones, making their own choices and strengthening their teamwork skills.



A highlight for many was the coasteering session, where every pupil showed tremendous bravery by tackling the rugged coastline and leaping into the sea. Despite some initial nerves, everyone rose to the challenge and supported each other with enthusiasm and encouragement. A surprise visit from Ron the Seal added to the fun and boosted spirits even further!



The group also enjoyed a full day at the beach, making the most of the sunshine with jumbo paddle boards, obstacle courses, team games and fun in the water. The day was rounded off with a classic seaside fish and chip supper and a very successful crabbing session, much to the delight of all involved.



The weather has been mostly kind, with the sun shining on our adventures. It's been a memorable and rewarding experience for everyone, and while we've loved every moment, we are now looking forward to returning home on Friday.





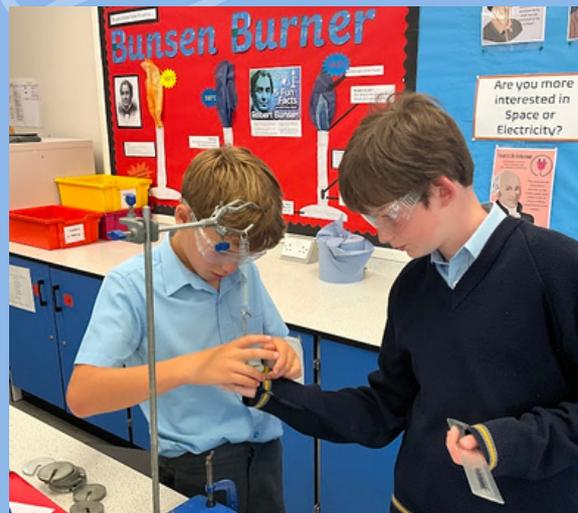
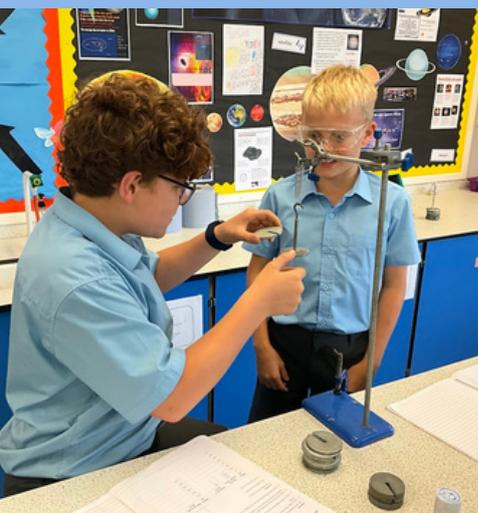
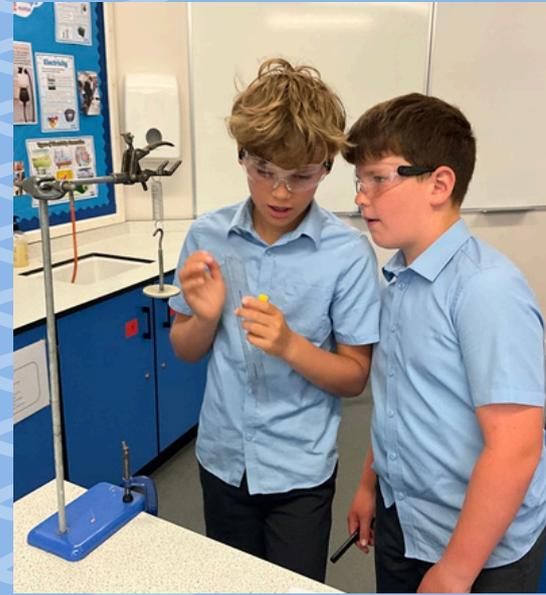
# CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

## SCIENCE

Form 4 started a project based on Hooke's Law in science this week - they measured a spring as they hung masses on it until it deformed!

We discovered that the greater the mass, the more the spring stretches (double the mass = double the stretch).

We will go on to investigate what happens if we add more springs in series and in parallel and look at how this might be useful to us in our daily lives.



## ATHLETICS

The athletics team made a long overdue return to the West Surrey Championships last Friday, a track and field meeting that sees the winners and qualifying runners-up head to the National Prep Schools' Finals in the first week in July.

While many of the competitors had trained over the winter months, we could not have hoped for a better day, with Cranleigh witnessing all athletes hit a purple patch and bring home medal after medal. The rush started with a gold in the boys' U12 1500m, with Joshua D. executing a tactical masterclass, jumping his only real challenger early and effectively time-trialling the final lap. This was followed in the next race, the Girls' under 12 1500m, with Chloe B. and Sienna G. working brilliantly together to secure a silver and bronze respectively. Chloe secured her berth in the Nationals' team and Sienna ran on a sore Achilles' heel, bravely holding off an oncoming fourth place challenger. Rafi W. then put on a procession for his U14 1500m to bring in yet another gold. Livs W. debuted in the 70m hurdles and Bestan L. in her 75m hurdles, before running a fabulous 300m, as did Hattie B. in the 1500m. Both just missed out on the podium, in fourth place. Another fourth was Marilyn M., running in the age group above, as there is not an event for her own year. She put in a superbly strong display in a blisteringly fast 800m and will benefit hugely from the experience when she takes on girls her own age next year.



However, it was not just on the track that the team excelled: Piper D. and Hunter G. both launched their shots out to fifth place in the U14s Girls' and Boys' competition. Sophie L. went one better, throwing her javelin to a fabulous fourth place in her debut competition. Another debutante was Leonie S., a novice athlete who demonstrated power and poise in both the shot and discus, netting silver and gold respectively, and even threatening the meeting record in an event she had only taken up a few weeks before!

Carter L. competed in the shot, securing a gold medal at the same time as long-jumping to a bronze; a quite outstanding performance and incredibly managing to be in two places at the same time. The final field performance of the day was Sophia T., high jumping for the U13 girls to a meeting record of 1.45m, and that into a significant headwind. A gold medal just reward for someone who has gone from strength to strength over the last year.

As is customary, the relays were the final events of the day: the U12 girls (those aforementioned, plus Amelia B.) were just pipped into fourth place for their race. This followed a glorious achievement by the U11 girls, who, with Evie M., Jessie H., Sophie B. and Arabella P., destroyed the field to bring it home in first place, with the sort of baton changes Team GB would do well to replicate. All in all, a fabulous day, and an exciting taste of things to come for Sports Day!



## SWIMMING

Very well done to our pupils who went to the London Aquatic Centre on Saturday for the IAPS National Swimming finals!

They all performed brilliantly competing against schools from all over the country and some top swimmers in their age range! They should all be really proud.



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# SPORTS ROUNDUP

Following up from last week's sporting fixtures - the highlight was the spectacular performances at the West Surrey Prep athletics meet, held at Guildford Spectrum. As covered in the previous pages, the CPS team ran, jumped and threw brilliantly, with a number of them qualifying for the National finals in a few weeks (Leonie S., Chloe B., Sophia T., Carter L. and Rafi W.).

Saturday's fixtures were a big success, despite the expected downpour of rain. Only the U10/U11 Boys' matches were curtailed, but all of the boys were given a nets session that then allowed them to watch part of the Cranleigh school's Boys' 1st team play, further inspiring our young cricketers. The U12-13 Boys played eight fixtures against a strong RGS team, with the 1st team winning a thriller that went down to the final over. The girls all played their respective house matches and I have a feeling that these results will play a pivotal role in deciding which house comes out on top, come the final assembly.

This week has seen the school break away somewhat from cricket, in preparation for the Sports Day extravaganzas at the end of Week 9. All of the children in Forms 1-5 have had the opportunity to participate in a number of athletic events to practise their technique and to give the Heads of Houses the opportunity to select teams based on quantifiable data.

On Wednesday, the U11 boys played their 2nd round Verney Cup match v City of London Freeman's School. Scoring over 130 runs in the first innings, thanks to a fantastic 51\* from Jack C., the boys perhaps felt the game was already won. This led to a sloppy fielding innings, where CLFS fought back admirably and looked like they would come away with the win. However, after his superb batting innings, Jack took the ball and with it seven of the nine wickets, winning the game with one of the standout performances in recent memory. They are now through to the quarter finals v Parkside on Wednesday 18th June.

*Mr Stone, Director of Sport*



# CLASS HIGHLIGHTS

Form 1 pupils estimated and then measured out the length of a 32m Blue Whale!



## BOARDING



Don't forget to follow [@CranPrepBoarding](https://www.instagram.com/cranprepboarding) on Instagram for all the updates



Year 7 proudly presents  
LIONEL BART'S

**BOOK OLIVER  
TICKETS**

# Oliver! JR!

Book, music & lyrics  
by Lionel Bart

The Speech Hall  
Cranleigh School



Tuesday 24th June  
11am, 3pm & 6pm

by special arrangement with  
CAMERON MACKINTOSH  
licensed by Music Theatre International

Reminder - new fitness classes at the Trevor Abbott Sports Centre (Senior School).  
For classes and times, please see the timetable below or visit the website [here](#).

|  <span style="float: right; background-color: #FFD700; border-radius: 15px; padding: 5px 15px; font-weight: bold;">BOOK EXERCISE CLASS</span> |                                                     |                                                    |                                   |
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| WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | THURSDAY                                            | FRIDAY                                             | SATURDAY                          |
| <b>BOOTCAMPS</b><br>6.45AM – 7.30AM<br>8.00AM – 8.45AM                                                                                                                                                                        | <b>STRENGTH &amp; MOBILITY</b><br>11.15AM – 12.00PM | <b>MUMMY &amp; ME FITNESS</b><br>11.30AM – 12.30PM | <b>ZUMBA®</b><br>9.30AM – 10.30AM |

## BECOME A LIFEGUARD - GET QUALIFIED AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Ready to dive into a rewarding summer opportunity?

Join our week-long NPLQ Lifeguard Course at Cranleigh School, starting Sunday 29th June, and earn a nationally recognised qualification that could help you save lives.

Whether you want flexible work, a great hourly rate, or to learn a valuable life skill, this course is perfect for you. It combines practical pool sessions with classroom learning, all held in our excellent indoor facilities.



**Course Cost: £275 (includes instruction, materials, and assessment)**

Email us at [sportscentre@cranleighactivities.org](mailto:sportscentre@cranleighactivities.org) to register or learn more.

### Looking for work after qualifying?

We offer year-round lifeguarding shifts on an ad hoc basis for course graduates.

#### Course Schedule:

- Sunday 29th June: 4:00pm – 8:00pm
- Monday 30th June: 8:00am – 12:00pm
- Tuesday 1st July: 9:00am – 4:00pm
- Wednesday 2nd July: 9:00am – 4:00pm
- Thursday 3rd July: 9:00am – 4:00pm
- Friday 4th July: 9:00am – 1:00pm  
(final assessment follows)



SAVE THE DATE!



# CPS LIVE!

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2025  
CS Vivian Cox Theatre, 5pm



# BOLLING SUITE FOR FLUTE

and JAZZ PIANO TRIO

*Jean-Pierre* **RAMPAL**

*Claude* **BOLLING**

Friday 20th June 2025, 7.30pm in the Recital Hall, MMS

BOOK TICKETS

**Featuring:** Ruth Williams - Flute  
Richard Saxel - Piano  
Tom Hollister - Drums  
Darcey Williams - Vocal  
Nicky Davenport - Double Bass



Tickets available from: [www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/cranleighschool)

Enquiries: [music@cranleigh.org](mailto:music@cranleigh.org) or [tickets@cranleigh.org](mailto:tickets@cranleigh.org)

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# WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK



## KEY EVENTS

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| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> June   | All Day: Form 6 ACE programme<br>All Day: Form 6 Satro Business Day<br>18:00: Boarders: Climbing Tower & Bungee Run                                                                              |
| Tues 17 <sup>th</sup> June  | All Day: Form 6 ACE programme /ABRSM Exams<br>08:05 - 08:35: Food Council<br>16:45 - 19:00 - 11+ Explorers (Admissions)                                                                          |
| Weds 18 <sup>th</sup> June  | All Day: Form 6 ACE programme                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> June | All Day: Form 6 ACE programme<br>08:30 - 09:30: Creative Enrichment sales pitch (Forms 4,5)<br>09:00 - 10:30: Cyberbullying Law workshop (Form 6)<br>13:00 - 14:00: Carrot Reward Treat (Form 6) |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> June   | All Day: Form 6 ACE programme<br>09:00 - 12:30: Form 6 Careers Morning                                                                                                                           |
| Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> June   | 18:30 - 22:30 Form 6 Leavers' Dinner                                                                                                                                                             |

[VIEW FULL CALENDAR](#)

## SPORTS FIXTURES

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| Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> June   | 14:00: Cricket Fixtures - Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> XI vs ESCA Quarter Final St Catherine's/GHS<br>14:30 - 17:00: Swimming Fixtures: Mixed U9 A/ U10 A/ U11 A vs Surbiton High School                                                          |
| Thurs 19 <sup>th</sup> June | 16:00 - 16:35: Form 6 House Tennis Finals - Parents Welcome                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> June   | 14:00 - 16:15: Forms 1, 2 & 3 Sports Day<br>14:00 - 16:30: Forms 4, 5 & 6 Field Events (selected pupils only)<br>16:15: Optional pick up after Sports Day events<br>16:45: Tennis Fixtures: Girls 1 <sup>st</sup> Team vs Highfield School |
| Sat 21 <sup>st</sup> June   | 09:15 - 13:00: Forms 4, 5 & 6 Sports Day (all pupils)                                                                                                                                                                                      |

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