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Dear Parents

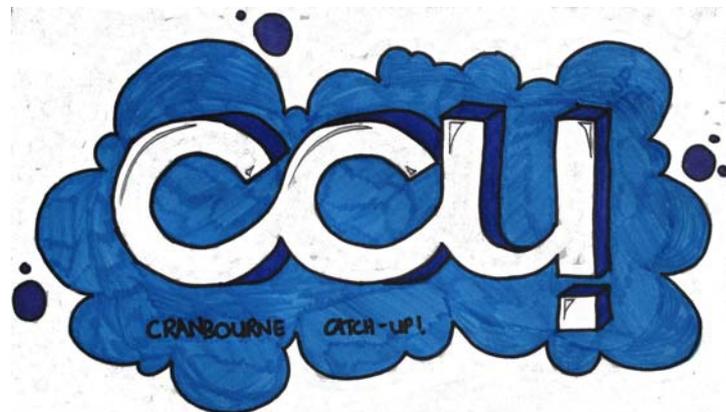


It is very rewarding to see so many of our students participating in a wide range of events. These include Aim Higher events at Winchester University, a fashion show at Southampton University, Workshops organised by Youth Options, a Duke of Edinburgh expedition and Sports Leaders visiting our primary schools to assist with a range of sporting events. All these events provide important and meaningful opportunities for our students to experience learning in a different environment and aid them in developing a wide range of skills. It is always particularly pleasing to receive positive feedback on how well our students behave and what excellent ambassadors they are for their college.

Events organised for after half terms see our students working on a range of workshops for Gifted & Talented students from our feeder primary schools. When gifted and talented students from Years 4 and 5 arrive at CBEC they will be greeted by our students who will be involved in helping them in a range of different subjects including Science and Business to Languages and PE.

I do hope that everyone has an enjoyable and relaxing half term.

Betty Elkins  
Headteacher



CRANBOURNE CATCH UP

## Sun shines over CBEC summer fair

On Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> May the Mayor and Mayoress of Basingstoke, kindly opened the Summer Fair by cutting the ribbon held by Chayce Crome and James Harris (above).

Year 8 and 9 have been working on this project during their business lessons for months and the preparation paid off.

The Mayor, Cllr Martin Biermann, said: "There is a good deal of enthusiasm, more in some cases than others.

There are some budding entrepreneurs here, I'm sure. The others are having a fun day, which is fair enough."

Mrs Chansopha Biermann, the Mayoress, said she knew Cranbourne well because her daughters Emma and Fiona are former pupils.

The Mayor and Mayoress spent well over an hour looking round the fair and talking to students – Cllr Biermann rolled up his sleeves to take part in the 'Splat a Teacher' stall.



On the school field, the groups sold their stock, which included; jewellery, milkshakes, face painting and cakes. The students had to kindly donate half of their profits to a charity of their choice.

"I really liked the range of stock, I bought some nice cakes!" said Charlie Grogan.

The day was an achievement and well done to all the students and teachers who took part.

# DofE students complete practice expedition

Over the weekend of the 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of May, 14 Duke Of Edinburgh students, went to Puttenham, near Guildford, with Miss Mercer, Miss Conroy and Mr Carr to complete their practice expedition.

This involved walking a total of 24km over the two day period. (27km, for those who got lost!)

They had planned their routes the week before, however they were not expecting the high temperature, and that combined with the weight of their backpacks, resulted in a very difficult weekend.

They had to make sure they paced themselves, and one of the most important things for them was finding a nice spot for lunch. The walks themselves were challenging however they were very rewarding. When they stopped for a break, they all realised how far they had walked and were really pleased with themselves.

The camp site had a very nice atmosphere, and after a long day of walking the students really enjoyed chilling in their tents, and playing on the rope swing and in the river. The

teachers even joined in with some of their games.

Although supervised from a distance, students were left to their own devices, so for some of them it was the first time that they had to cook on a camping stove and cook for themselves.

“It was an extremely successful weekend, and although it was really hot and tiring I can’t wait to do it again, in a few weeks time,” said Alana



Greenland-Jones.

“I found learning skills such as map reading useful and I think I will use them in the future. I no longer have to rely on my phone,” added Richard.

The DofE team would also like to thank James, A DofE assessor, who sacrificed his weekend to accompany and help the group.

We would also like to thank Miss Mercer, Miss Conroy and Mr Carr for helping them achieve their best.

Cranbourne staff and students have been hosting taster days for Year 5 students from our feeder schools. The sessions have been fun, popular and very successful. Thank you to all the students for your excellent help.

Students helped at Sports Days at both Oakley Infant and Junior schools this week.

They were brilliant ambassadors for CBEC and

## Cycle to success

Congratulations to our cyclists who took part in this week’s British Cycling Hampshire Finals in Southampton:

Richard Barrett	Charlie Noall	Sol Sherlock
Corey Burton	Alix Edmunds	Charlie Cottrell
Harry Emery	Verity Jackson	Alex Hicken
Ross Oliver	Callum O’Driscoll	Eric Ngwenya
Bradley Hollins	Tom Greenland Jones	

## What a good sport!

PE teacher Mr Tiley (pictured above) was a great sport at the Splat the Teacher stall at last week’s summer fair. He stood stock still and stoic as each sponge was lobbed at him (see picture right).

## News in Brief

Young Chamber would like to say a big Thank You to Marnie Greenland-Jones for all of her hard work over the last year as head of the business team. She has managed to guide the team, and coordinate many successful business events during her time as Chair Person and Vice Chair the previous year.

If any year 9 or 10 students would like join the team, please contact Miss Conroy.

## Bugsy Malone update

Rehearsals are going on twice a week and, are going well. The cast are committed and, turn up to every rehearsal.

The teachers and actors are powering through rehearsals and the cast are all learning their lines. Miss Affleck Cruise and Miss Davies are having a brilliant time blocking and staging it .

“It’s good to see the enthusiasm for the production, there’s the splurge gun fund raiser activity happened in the drama studio last Thursdays help aid the show financially also anyone who can donate a striped gangster suit please contact Mrs Affleck-Cruise.” Everyone is very excited for the final production of Bugsy Malone.

## Luke Whorriskey (Fat Sam)

## Year 7 News

The year group thoroughly enjoyed the Enterprise Day last week and it gave them the valuable opportunity to assess the most and least successful stalls and activities in order for them to be able to prepare for their Summer Fair next year.

The students also had the chance to familiarise themselves with Mahara a new online portfolio of work that can be shared with teachers as well as other students. We are hoping this will help students in their studies and will also improve tracking of enterprise skills.

Previous successful Day 10s have also included work on personal safety, cyber safety and we were lucky to have two guest presenters Martin Lee, Community Police Support Officer and Kathy Gare, Parent Support Advisor.

Students have also had the chance to work in teams for the Personal, Learning and Thinking Skills (PLTS) Day when they worked on different activities to assess their skills and the skills of others. Students who were nominated by their tutor were entered into a prize draw in assembly.

Those awarded include:

- Creative thinker: Esther Cook 7Fs
- Independent Enquirer: Precious Ncube 7Fs
- Reflective Learner: Yu Xia 7Fs
- Team Worker: Richard Barrett 7Fs

Thanks to Year 10 students Scott Haskell and Joe Holley who have been helping as peer mentors. I know the year 7 students have appreciated the coaching they have received.

## Ms Koster, Progress Manager Y7

## Year 9 News

Year 9 have been busy—firstly they had to prepare for and sit their End of Key Stage 3 Teacher Assessments. This was the first time they had experienced these sorts of exams in the sports hall and coped very well with the pressures of having to be silent for an hour or more at a time.

We keenly await the results from the English, Maths and Science staff.

Last Friday students set up their businesses for the CBEC Summer Fair, after weeks of planning in Business Studies. They sold very well on the day.

Students receive half of the profit and the other half goes to a charity of their choice. Stalls included Splat the Teacher, Homemade Bath Products and Handmade Jewellery.

Well done to all the Year 9s.

## Miss Barnes, Progress Manager Year 9

## **Year 10 News, from Mr Crichton**

Year 10 are looking forward to moving towards Year 11 and are excited about the high expectations regarding their predicted grades.

Our target is 91% A\*-C and currently our recent predicted grades show we are close at 88% A\*-C. As we gear up for Year 11 and our drive towards record exam results, students will have the opportunity to attend clinics in all subjects designed to support them to their expected grade and beyond.

We have an excellent link with Winchester University and a group of Year 10 students had an wonderful visit to experience university life. Thanks to Miss Carrington who organised the trip on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

The students really enjoyed the workshop especially the archaeology where they worked with really skeletons.

All students have been inspired to 'Aim Higher', which is the aim of the link.

## **Year 8 News, from Mrs Crichton**

During this year we have been welcoming new students into Year 8 and our numbers continue to grow. Attendance this year continues to remain high and has improved from Year 7. Congratulations to students and parents.

At the beginning of May, 20 Year 8 students went on an AIM Higher visit to Winchester University to experience life at university. They took part in workshops in subjects such as Archaeology, Psychology and Media Studies.

The students really had a fantastic time and now see this as an option they are keen to explore when the time comes.

Some students take part in the Youth Option programme on Wednesdays, which aims to engage and encourages them to try activities they find difficult and to work together to complete tasks. Some have achieved things they never imagined they could do.

One student who completed the high rope tasks said his mother would not believe he had done it and needs the photo to show her!

Students are working incredibly hard, they have chosen their options ready for Year 9 and are looking forward to the challenge.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next Monitor Day on 29<sup>th</sup> June and later in July to celebrate the success of our students with you.

## **Calendar Catch Up**

### **June 2012**

#### **Mon 4th—Fri 8th Half Term**

Wed 20th —Fri 22nd College

Production - Buggy Malone

Fri 29th—Monitor Day

Fri 29th—Year 11 Leavers' Ball

### **JULY 2012**

Mon 4th— Year 10 Drama

performance

Tues 3rd— Parent Focus Group

Fri 6th—Year 6 Induction Day

Wed 11th—Year 6 Parents Evening

Fri 13th—Day of Sport

Wed 18th—Year 7 & 8 Rewards

Evening

Thurs 19th—Year 9 and 10 Rewards

Evening

Friday 20th—Last day of term

## **Year 11 News, from Miss Walker**

This half term Year 11 students have made a fantastic start to their GCSE exams and are continuing to work hard for the remaining exams after the half term break.

We all wish the best of luck in the rest of their exams and look forward to seeing them on results day on 23rd August to celebrate their success.

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> June students are being invited to attend their leavers' assembly which will be followed on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> by the Leavers' Ball at The Hampshire Court Hotel, Basingstoke. Letters with all the details will be given to students on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> June.

Thank you for your continued support of students through the exam period.

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