



Crispin School Newsletter

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Message from the Headteacher

The highlight since my last piece for the Newsletter occurred last Friday. Approximately 135 people (bigger than many Western or Wessex League attendance) saw Crispin's Boys Under 14s team defeat St. Katherine's to take their place in the Somerset final. The game was an extremely tight affair and either side could have won the game before it went to penalties. It was good to see students, families and a considerable number of staff there to cheer on the team. The game was really exciting and I wish the team well in the final.

Another highlight was being able to see Year 11 students busily preparing a range of dishes as they approach the end of their Food course. The fusion of learning and food is one that rarely fails to appeal to me.

Finally, the issue of parking near Crispin has been raised again. I have total sympathy for anyone concerned at other road users not acting as they should. My primary concern is the safety of our students, but the wellbeing of all our local community is important. So while we do not control the highways I would like to stress that it is important that everyone adheres to all restrictions. They are there for a reason. If appealing to one's better nature is not effective then remember should an incident occur there will be witnesses and cameras all around. 'I was only there for a minute' is unlikely to cut much ice if an accident is caused. I fully realise the vast majority of our community are not breaking the restrictions around Strode and Crispin.

I hope you all have a good weekend.



There is still time to donate!

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Highest House Points (Since September)

Darcey Chilcott	Year 7	Samuel Crosse	Year 8
Tegan Nurse	Year 9	Dylan Hider	Year 10
Matilda Patten	Year 11		

Highest House Points (This Week)

Eliza Baldwin	Year 7	Bella Malcolm	Year 9
Lucas Stephens	Year 7	Ivan So	Year 9
Luke Tedford	Year 9	Isaac Clowes	Year 8
Jess Ward	Year 9	Tegan Nurse	Year 9
Elodie Bridger	Year 8		

House Points

The range of students accruing high numbers of House Points continues to impress. In just over two weeks the number of students with more than 1,000 House Points has increased from 408 to 545.

Well done to all the students hitting this milestone, just over half way through the academic year.

- 2100 - 1
- 2000 - 0
- 1900 - 0
- 1800 - 2
- 1700 - 4
- 1600 - 10
- 1500 - 20
- 1400 - 40
- 1300 - 86
- 1200 - 106
- 1100 - 137
- 1000 - 137



SCHOOL SHOP

Open every Monday & Thursday



Lunch times
13:30 - 14:10



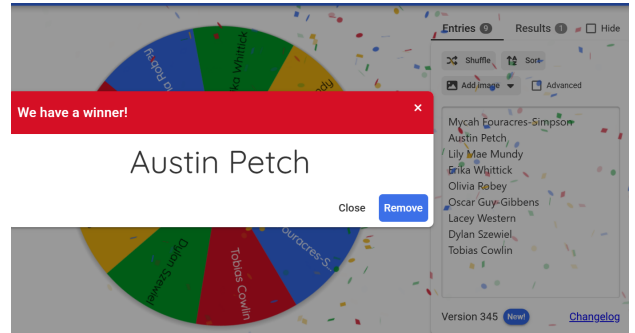
Scientist of the Week

Congratulations to all of this week's nominees.

Austin was nominated by Miss Stamp for 'Always working hard and just generally a pleasant human to teach'.

Well done Austin!

Teachers will be doing new nominations ready for next Monday.



Year 9 Football

A massive congratulations to the Crispin Year 9 Boys football team for beating St Katherine's 5:4 on penalties after an incredibly tense 1:1 draw.

Huge shout outs to Kieran for some incredible saves during the game and two huge penalty saves to win the shootout and Fenn for scoring the only goal in the game.

All round an incredible team performance from everyone and I could individually name every player and how they were fantastic.

A huge thank you to all that turned out, amazing to see the supportive culture from so many, students, staff and parents. Stanchester await Crispin in the final.



Handball Update

U13 & U15 Fixtures

On Tuesday night, our Under-13 Girls travelled to Ansford to face both Ansford and Westfield. Although they were unsuccessful in both matches, it was a fantastic opportunity for many of the girls to experience competitive handball for the first time. They showed tremendous progress in a short space of time, and it was great to see so many of them develop a real passion for the sport.

The Under-13 team included: Ada Chiplen, Ayda Chaplin, Holly Mason, Marley-mae Cox Roberts, Courtney Sheldrick, Kelcie Duckett, Kelcey Stanley, and Ruby Marks.

On Wednesday evening, we hosted fixtures for our Under-15 girls against Ansford and Courtfields. Our girls put in two brilliant performances, winning both matches and securing their place in the regional finals!

The Under-15 Girls team included: Florence Chaplin, Ruby Spencer, Bryony Medwell, Evie Hooker, Olivia Hicks, Esme Ford, Neriah Griffiths, and Tegan Nurse.

Adding to the success of the night, our Under-15 boys also defeated Courtfields, earning their spot in the regional finals, which will take place in April.

The Under-15 Boys team included: Kieran Wigley, Forrest Hill, Reece Winter, Will Thompson, Dylan Difford, Josh Hawkins, Callum Cook, Alfie Hamlett, and Ivan So.

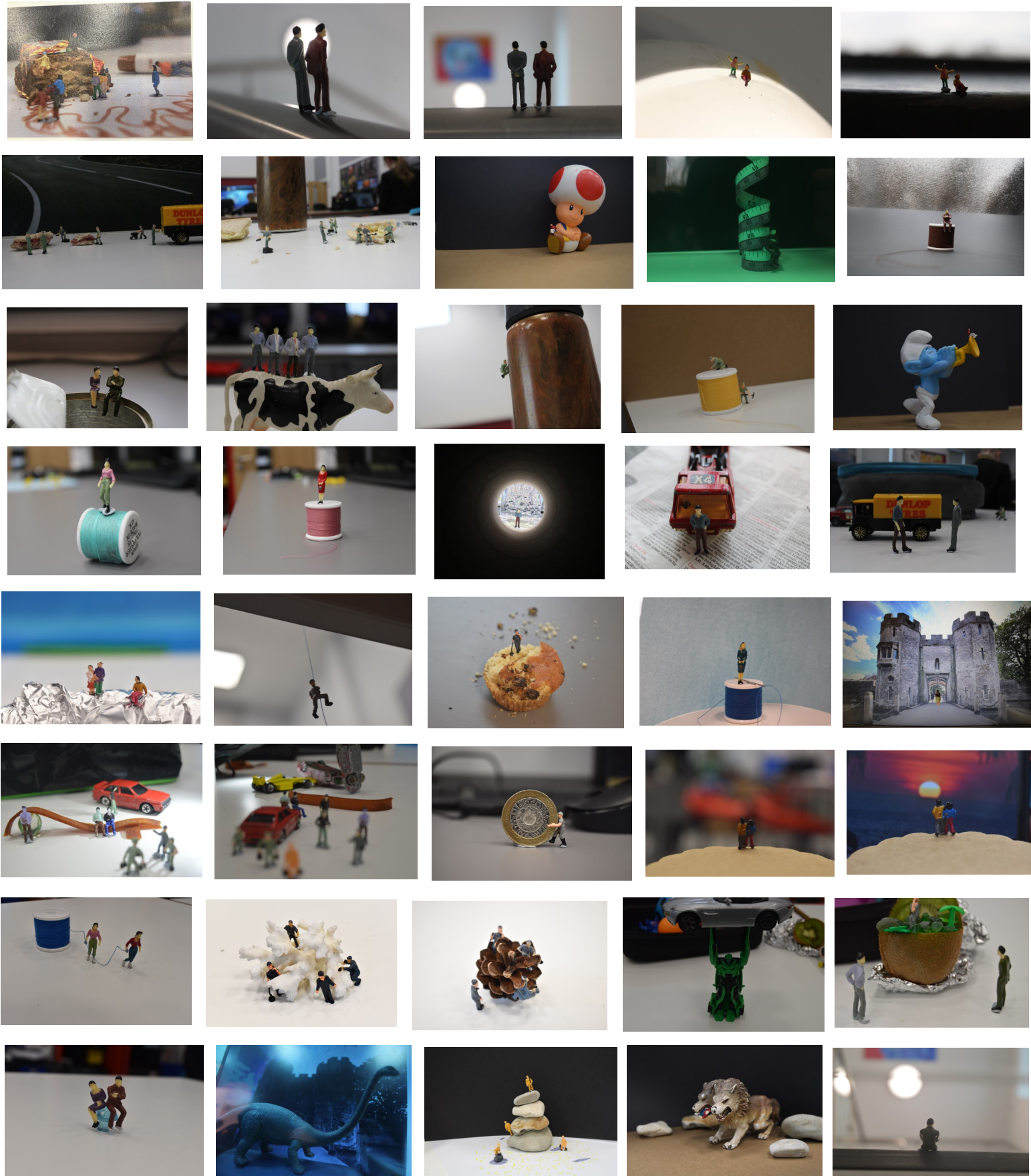
A huge well done to all our players for their effort and commitment – bring on the next stage!



Lower School Photography Club

The lower school Photography Club students have been focusing on creating little settings and narratives using little people.

They have been imaginative using things around the art room, computer screens and even their sandwiches.





La conjugaison

Year 7 have recently been learning how to conjugate **ER verbs** in the present tense.

They have then used this with their knowledge of family members, time references, opinions and reasons to produce amazing pieces of writing about their free time.

Salut Je m'appelle Jack. Pendant mon temps libre j'écoute de la musique et je joue à la xbox. Je parle anglais avec ma famille. J'adore regarder une pièce parce que c'est cool et intéressant. Le mercredi, j'adore regarder le mercredi. Je joue au basket-ball avec mes amis. Parfois après le collège je parle avec mes amis. Et ma sœur aime dessiner. Elle est vraiment bonne. Je voudrais un chien. Je voudrais jouer avec un chien.

Bonjour! Je m'appelle Jessica. Pendant mon temps libre, d'habitude je bouquine avec mes amis et je regarde la télé. J'adore dessiner parce que c'est intéressant! Je n'aime pas chanter. Je préfère jouer au netball. Le lundi, je rage après le collège. Le mardi ma sœur joue au basket ball. Elle est géniale. Parfois, avant le collège je surfe avec mes famille.

Bonjour! Je m'appelle Lily. Pendant mon temps libre, je regarde YouTube et je joue au jeu. J'adore regarder les séries de Disney je parce que c'est très amusant! Mon frère préfère c'est Descendants. C'est chouette! Le mercredi, je danse avec mes amis. J'adore ça! Parfois après le collège, je chill ^{tout seule} avec mes amis. Je ne aime pas jouer danser. Avec ma sœur nous jouons games.

Bonjour! Je m'appelle Max, pendant mon temps libre, j'adore regarder la télé et je regarde YouTube. J'adore regarder et je rage le lundi. C'est vraiment amusant. Mais parfois je joue avec mes amis. C'est parfois amusant, mais pas toujours. D'habitude c'est amusant. Après le collège je joue avec mes amis.

Bonjour! Je m'appelle Harvey. Pendant mon temps libre, je joue au foot et je rage parce que c'est cool. J'adore jouer au foot parce que c'est vraiment amusant et amusant! Parfois après le collège, je joue au foot avec mes amis. Mon frère est très chouette et le (adore) est très active et j'adore regarder le télé.



KENYA CREW EASTER QUIZ NIGHT



**Wednesday 02 April 7-8:30pm in the
Main Hall at Crispin**

**£10 for a table
(up to 6 in a team).
Pay on the night.**

**QUIZ, RAFFLE and
REFRESHMENTS
(soft and hot drinks and a
variety of homemade Easter
goodies on offer)**

In addition to helping our students go, proceeds will also help the students of Masana School in Kenya

Win an Easter hamper!

Multiple rounds to test your general knowledge, written by our students



Meet our Crispin Staff!

Each week we will be introducing you to some of our staff members, so you can get to know them a little bit better!

This week is the turn of Mrs Farbus Mrs Farbus is an English Teacher



How long have you worked at Crispin?

I have worked at Crispin for two years now.

Why do you like working here?

I like working here because of my students. Every day, they make me laugh and I feel so proud of what they achieve. I also love working here as I get to be the dance choreographer for our amazing school shows, working with incredibly talented students.

What is your favourite year to teach?

Hmm..... I cannot answer that! Although I would say because of what we teacher at Upper School, I really enjoy Year 10 and 11.

Why are you an English teacher?

Good question. I love teaching English because I love stories, and looking at authorial intent. I also enjoy History, which links so beautifully with Literature. The ultimate reason has to be because of my love for Shakespeare.

What is your favourite time of year and why?

My favourite time of year is Spring - after lots of dark mornings and evenings, it finally begins to get lighter and you know that Summer is on its way.

What is your favourite food?

I love a Chinese takeaway - nothing can beat chicken balls and curry sauce!

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Still teaching and still happy!

What is your favourite restaurant?

My favourite restaurant has to be Las Iguanas - lots of Mexican and South American food. I especially like nachos!

What is your favourite holiday?

I love Christmas - two weeks off to spend with my family and friends, with presents and lots of delicious food.

What is the best country you have been to?

My favourite place I have visited was Barcelona, Spain. We stayed on the outskirts, in the countryside and visited local beaches, climbed mountains and went to restaurants. Not many people spoke English, so I had to put my 980 day Duolingo streak to the test!

Do you have any pets?

I do! I have a naughty Black Lab called Dana. She is obsessed with her ball, so will only listen to me and do what she is told if I am holding one.

Do you have any hobbies?

I love being outside - going for long walks across the Quantocks or by the seaside. I also love dance and am trying to find ways to incorporate it more into my life again.





Highbridge Festival Success

Year 9 student, Lee did really well at Highbridge Festival of the Arts.

Lee played four pieces of Jazz, classical and his own composition in the Piano Competition achieving 3 Gold medals and 1 Silver. The adjudicator commended Lee on his Jazz and composition pieces. Lee will be taking his Grade 3 piano exam later this year.



Year 10 Mock Exams

The Year 10 Personalised time tables for their mock exams at the end of June will be handed out during tutor on Tuesday 25 March.

Please can you ask all students to check them carefully and if they have any questions / queries please see me at the exams office urgently.

Copies of their time-tables are kept at reception and at the exams office.

All students who have an exam will go straight to the tennis courts or their small room ready to start the exam at 08:45am. They will not go to tutor.

Please remember that Wednesday 25 June is the National Contingency Day for the live summer exams and if this date is required the Year 10 mocks may be postponed / cancelled or will move to be completed in class time.

Year 8 Virtual Parents' Evening

03 April, 16:00 - 19:00

The booking system is now open. Please click [here](#) to book.



Upcoming Events

W/C 24 March 2025 - WEEK B

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday - D of E Expedition

W/C 31 March 2025 - WEEK A

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday - Year 8 Virtual Parents' Evening

Friday - End of Term

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