

# **Crispin School Newsletter**

### 10 October 2025

#### Issue 05

### Message from Mr Cornwall, Acting Headteacher

It's always a pleasure to write the lead article for our newsletter and to read about the many achievements across our school community — both inside and outside the classroom. From last week's medal-winning performances in trampolining to today's success in a Spartan obstacle race, our students continue to show what an amazing, dedicated community we have here at Crispin.

Today, a number of students are heading to London to represent their local acro-gymnastics club, and I'd like to wish them the very best of luck in their performances — and a fantastic weekend in the Big Smoke! Meanwhile, our Year 8 students have been out exploring the stunning Jurassic Coast at Lulworth Cove as part of their Geography curriculum. Trips like this are such valuable experiences, helping to bring classroom learning to life and deepen students' understanding of the world around them.

Within school, our PE department continues to work hard to set high standards and reignite the competitive spirit among students. It's brilliant to see fixtures filling up again and so many names appearing proudly on team sheets. As you'll read later in the newsletter, our most recent match was another nail-biter that went right down to the wire.

Beyond sport, I want to highlight the breadth of enrichment activities taking place this half term — from gymnastics to set design, choir to journalling. All of these are part of our Thrive curriculum, which ensures that every student has the opportunity to broaden their horizons, develop new interests, and thrive both personally and academically.

Finally, I would like to take a moment to thank all staff for their continued hard work, care, and commitment in providing such rich opportunities for our students. I also want to recognise the students themselves for the enthusiasm and determination they bring to all they do—they really are a credit to the school. And, of course, my thanks go to parents and carers for their ongoing support and partnership; working together with you makes all the difference in ensuring our young people flourish.

### World Mental Health Day

To mark World Mental Health Day, Crispin has been hosting a day of music, conversation and awareness.

We were delighted to welcome **Runaway Club**, a professional band who performed and lead interactive sessions with students in years 7, 8 & 9 across the day:

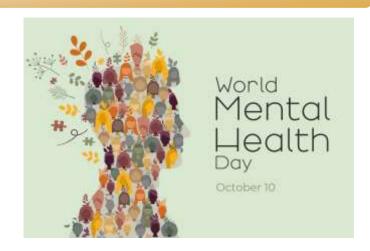
Runaway Club discussed the causes of mental health challenges such as school stress and relationships, shared personal experiences, and highlighted how speaking up and seeking help can build resilience and self-esteem. They also explored online safety, discrimination, diversity and the importance of treating others fairly.

At lunch time, **Mr Priddice** ran engaging wellbeing activities in the hall to promote connection and positivity.

Throughout this week, **Miss Charles** has led assemblies focused on mental health awareness and signposting where students can find support.

Staff were encouraged to **wear yellow** to show solidarity and support for World Mental Health Day

Together, we continue to make Crispin a place where every voice is heard and every mind matters.







### Introducing our Head Students for 2025-2026

We are delighted to announce the appointment of our Head Students for the academic year 2025–2026.

The selection process was a rigorous one, beginning with written applications and followed by interviews conducted by Mr Cornwall and Miss Horne. In addition to the interviews, we considered behaviour data and feedback from Heads of Year to ensure a well-rounded view of each candidate.

Twelve outstanding students progressed to the final stage of the process, and every one of them impressed us with their maturity, commitment, and passion for representing the student body. The high calibre of applicants made the final decision incredibly difficult.

Our newly appointed Head Students have already begun working closely with the Year 10 and Year 11 prefect teams. Together, they are helping to strengthen student leadership across the school and ensure that the student voice continues to play an active and meaningful role in life at Crispin.

We are very proud of all the students who put themselves forward and look forward to seeing the positive impact that they will have.





### **Student Success**

Our Year 8 student, Logan entered a 3k Spartan obstacle race at the weekend.

Logan came first with a time of 19mins!

Congratulations Logan!



## Voice of Crispin



Always ask for help, learning should be a challenge and we all need help along the way.

Do not stand for someone interrupting your learning - this is, and will never be, right.







### Year 11 Somerset Cup

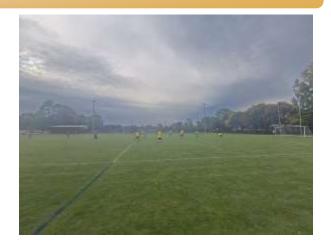
On Thursday 02 October Crispin played Castle School in the Somerset Football County Cup away.

Crispin battled well after going behind on two occasions to result in the game being a draw 2-2.

Goals from Tadiwanashe Muchakuya and Oliver Lucas.

Unfortunately, we came out 2nd best in the penalty shoot out losing 3-1.

We now look forward to some friendlies in the new year when our Football season commences.



### Year 7 Charity

Introducing Our Year 7 Charity: Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

This year, Year 7 will be supporting an incredible charity – Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance!

They provide life-saving emergency care by air and by road, helping people who are seriously injured or unwell, especially in remote areas like the countryside, coast, or narrow lanes.

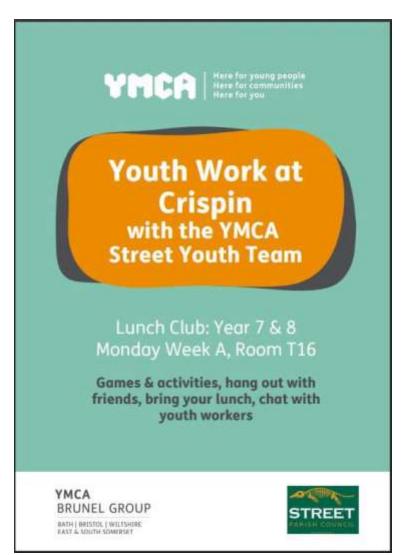
Their helicopters can reach people much faster than regular ambulances – which can make a huge difference and even save lives.

Their team includes skilled paramedics, doctors, and pilots who work together to treat patients and get them to hospital as quickly as possible.

Right now, they're trying to raise £1 million to buy a brand-new helicopter, which will help them reach even more people, across Dorset & Somerset.

By supporting Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance this year, we'll be helping them get closer to that goal – and helping to save lives across our region.







### Maths House Competition - All Years!

Create a poster based on all of the learning you have undertaken so far in your Maths lessons!

Be as creative as you can. No larger than A3 in size. It can be created using technology or by hand.

Year 7 - Unit 1 (statistics) - It could include Mean, Median, Mode and Range, Bar Charts, Types of data and lots more!

Year 8 - Unit 8 (Surface Area and Volume)

Year 9 - Unit 15 (Ratio and Proportion)

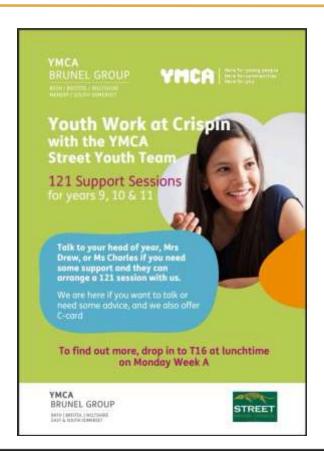
Year 10 - Unit 23 (Proportion)

Year 11 – A revision poster based upon the work covered so far this term in preparation for the PPE's in November!

Submissions to be given to Mr Perry (T22) or Miss Mitchell (T11) by a deadline of Monday 20th October.

Please include your full name, house and tutor.

House points per entry (the more that are entered the more each house can win points!)









### Year 11

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	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Subject Time Room	Art 15:15-16:15 121	15:15-14:15 121	Art 15:15-16:15 i21	Engineering Unit 1 catch up 15:15-14:30 103	
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# Important Calendar Dates

Year Group	Date	Event	
Year 7	Wednesday 13 - 15 May 2026	Residential Trip	
	Thursday 04 June 2026	Face to Face, Parents' Evening, 16:00-19:00	
Year 8	Thursday 26 March 2026	Virtual Parents' Evening, 16:00-19:00	
	Monday 30 March - 01 April 2026	Residential Trip	
Year 9	Monday 02 February 2026	Options Evening	
	Thursday 26 February 2026	Virtual Parents' Evening, 16:00-19:00	
Year 10	Thursday 04 December 2025	Virtual Parents' Evening	
	Wednesday 28 January 2026	Year 10 Careers Day	
	Wednesday 13 & Thursday 14 May 2026	Year 10 Mock Careers Days	
	Wednesday 24 June 2026	Year 10 Step Up Evening	
	Monday 15 - Friday 27 June 2026	Year 10 Summer Prelims	
	Monday 29 June - Friday 03 July 2026	Work Experience Week	
Year 11	W/C Monday 03 & W/C Monday 10 November 2025	Year 11 November Prelims	
	Thursday 04 December 2025	Year 11 Strode Experience day	
	Thursday 29 January 2026	Face to Face Parents' Evening, 16:00-19:00	
	Monday 09 February - 27 February 2026	Year 11 February Prelims	
	Friday 08 May - Wednesday 17 June 2026	GCSE Live Exams	
	Thursday 02 July 2026	Leavers Breakfast & Prom	
	Thursday 20 August 2026	GCSE Results Day	



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