

SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

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Friday 4th April 2025

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

I will start by wishing one and all a magic Easter break, students, staff, governors and families.

A reflection on this week alone reminds us how much we are able to accommodate in a week at Sunnydown. Fishing trip, KS3 football, Drama and a visit to Warlingham 6th form to list just a few events.

A timely reminder that Sunnydown is a uniformed school. Every effort to support your son in wearing the correct school uniform helps create a sense of belonging that can enhance a young person's engagement with education. Thank you for your support in this regard.

A busy time for Year 11 students over Easter as they prepare for the final few weeks of lessons before their GCSE exams commence. I wish them well and would encourage them all to work hard, but to also look after themselves with plenty of sleep, good food and exercise as well.

I will never tire of recognising the incredible contribution my staff team makes to the lives of your sons. I see on a daily basis the commitment, often above and beyond what might be found in other schools, to ensure your son is safe, well cared for, and learning as much as possible. A deserved rest for them over East as they prepare to continue these high standards during the Summer term.

I look forward to seeing all the staff and students after Easter.

Paul Jensen



Tuesday 22nd April

Return to school on Tuesday 22nd April will be normal Tuesday timings with taxis arriving between 8.30am and 9.00am. Please could parents communicate with taxis in this regard.

Many thanks.

Jez Lord

Curriculum Information Evening – Wednesday 2nd April

Thank you to all the Year 9 and Year 10 parents and students who attended our Curriculum Information Evening. It was a fantastic opportunity to explore the next steps in our young men's education, and we are delighted with the positive engagement throughout the evening.

With presentations tailored to each year group, we focused on the transition from Year 9 into Year 10, our process for the practice exams and the use of support, guidance from our SENCo Mrs Wermig, and the pathway beyond Sunnydown Post-16, ensuring that every student feels supported and prepared for their future. Representatives from local colleges, including East Surrey College, Nescot, Reigate College and Brooklands College were on hand to answer questions, providing valuable insights into Post-16 options. Additionally, Mr Wright was available to share useful information on apprenticeships and careers guidance.

We remain committed to supporting our students at every stage of their journey, and we look forward to continuing these important conversations in the months ahead.

Andrea Jensen

The Friday Curriculum

As we reach the final day of term before a well-earned two-week break, our commitment to your son's education remains as strong and focused as ever. This morning, I had the pleasure of visiting the many activities that form part of our bespoke **Sunnydown Friday Curriculum** and it was fantastic to see the enthusiasm and engagement of our students.

Year 8 students have been developing their mystery map skills and are now heading outside to continue their exploration. In RICE Skills, students have been creating Easter crafts and designs, while Year 9s have been working hard on our new allotment beds, carefully measuring and digging with great enthusiasm. Year 10 students have taken on different challenges - some are in Life Skills, while others have been competing in a Lego spacecraft design challenge against staff, with the competition currently too close to call! Our Year 11s have been making the most of a Maths clinic and a dedicated GCSE revision class, ensuring they are well-prepared for the forthcoming GCSE exams. Meanwhile, Year 7s are spending the morning at Kenley airfield, practising for their cycle challenge next term.

At the heart of our Friday Curriculum is the development of your son's communication skills, with a strong focus on building **resilience**, promoting **independence** and encouraging **cooperation**. Through our **Encouraged, Enabled, and Empowered (RICE³)** approach, we continue to support students in developing the skills they need to thrive.

You can find full details of our Friday Curriculum, as well as our Monday to Thursday Academic Curriculum, on our [website](#). Here, you'll be able to explore our curriculum intent and see exactly what your son will be studying in each subject next term. Simply click on the relevant subject and select his year group to access this information.

Andrea Jensen

Apply for a student travel pass

Travelling by bus

If you are aged 20 and under and travel by bus, you can apply for the new **Surrey LINK bus card** if your address comes under Surrey. It allows 50% off single and return tickets for any journey that starts and/or finishes in Surrey. Your LINK card is valid for 3 years.

Thank you to Teddy F for identifying this saving.

Mr Wright

Talk Consent: Tuesday 22nd April

Last year we had Dan Allchurch and his team from Talk Consent (<https://talkconsent.org>) come in to see the students and do some workshops with each of the year groups. It was really successful and we received lots of positive feedback from the students.

We are fortunate enough to have Dan and his team come back on Tuesday 22nd April 2025 to speak with Years 7-11 in one hour sessions, which forms part of our PSHE curriculum.

Each Workshop has been tailored to each year group and are as follows:

- 7's Active Bystander Workshop
- 8's Consent and Boundaries
- 9's Consent in relationships
- 10's Challenging Misogyny and Objectification
- 11's Consent in relationships

Staff will be speaking briefly with the boys this week about the workshops, however, you also may wish to speak with your son in advance of 22nd April. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Miss Kiddier

Greenhouse February Holiday Scheme - Photo contest

Following the last Greenhouse holiday scheme, we had a photo contest for the students who went to Kew Gardens. The top two prizes went to Milo Baker and Daniel Leonard, with Daniel getting top prize but with both boys showing their photography skills superbly. Well done both!

Mrs Ogle & Gabe

War Poems

Year 8 have worked incredibly hard in writing their end of unit war poems and should be extremely proud of their efforts.

Jack Gregory - 8H

*It was a normal day of happiness not shame.
But then it all changed when the newsletter came,
Now I am stuck in a dirt barrier and cannot stand the pain.
When I was younger I believed that I could be the one,
To go to war and have some fun.
But now that I'm here I can finally see,
That this was not meant for me.
As the ghouls come closer of which are from the dead,*

*Comes from the crowd my friend.
The pain choked me till I was no more,
Having a heart in my core.
And with nowhere to move my blood just stopped,
And then I dropped!*

George McGookin - 8P

The Germans are all in the trench,
While you are battling the stench.
The sound of the artillery's power,
Making the soldiers cower.
The taste of blood,
Intermingled with mud.
The bodies rot,
Watching their comrades be shot.
The feeling of loss,
Underneath a red cross.
The rifle being racked,
While the Germans scream "Attack!".
The bodies never being retrieved,
While their families grieve.
The poppies sprout,
While the men shout.
The poppies flower,
Underneath the bloodshower.

Mrs Palmer

Online Safety

Please see the attached flier re 'What Parents and Educators Need to Know about Instagram.'

Mr Cassim

Children With Special Needs Foundation Football Tournament

On Thursday a group of Key Stage 3 students represented Sunnydown at the 6 a side CWSNF football tournament which was held at The Abbey School. The team included Harrison Williams, Zac Hoad, Eddie Smith, Harley Schooling, Carter Stevenson, Mathew Marenga, Milo Baker and Callum Truttero. The boys displayed great sportsmanship and teamwork and managed to get through to the Plate Final. Unfortunately we lost the final but overall it was the positive attitude that won the day. Well done all.

Mr Cassim

An online talk by Jane Keyworth

Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes, offering practical support and explaining more about this condition

Thursday 3rd April 10 -11:30am

Tuesday 29th April 7 - 8:30pm

Talks are recorded and available to watch for up to 48hrs after the session £24



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facefamilyadvice.co.uk
 go to **PARENTS**
 on the **Homepage**



Easter Timetable

all sessions delivered live online via zoom £24 each 90 minutes long
 book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Facing Defiance	7 April 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	8 April 10am
Understanding Anger	8 April 7PM
Anxiety Explained	14 APR 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	14 APR 7pm
What is ACT	15 April 10am
Introduction to OCD	15 April 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	22 April 10am
Understanding the Teenage Brain	22 April 7pm
FREE Responding to Angry Behaviour	24 April 7pm
Improving Family Communication	28 April 10am
Autism Improving Communication	28 April 7pm
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	29 April 10am
Supporting a Child with ADHD	29 April 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	6 May 7pm



Cranleigh Football Club



SEN Team Manager opportunity

Cranleigh FC is launching a new **Sunday morning SEN football team** at **Glebelands School**, offering fun, inclusive sessions for children with special educational needs. We're seeking a passionate **Team Manager** to lead this exciting initiative.

Key responsibilities include:

- Recruiting coaches and players
- Promoting the team locally
- Ensuring FA safeguarding & coaching standards
- Liaising with the club, Surrey FA, and Glebelands School
- Running safe, engaging sessions
- Supporting player families

Help make football accessible for all!

□ Contact Lisa Hard: welfare@cranleighfc.co.uk

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Glebelands
Sundays

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Glebelands School in Cranleigh has been working hard to get their SEND Pan Disability Football Club up and running and know there's a real demand for it. Parents have expressed their support during the sessions held last year and they are now excited to have Cranleigh FC on board. However, they need someone to manage the team and Cranleigh FC, with the support of Glebelands, are looking for a passionate SEND Team Manager. There will be volunteer parents to assist, but we need someone to lead the team and make this vision a reality. You can also find more details on the web launch here:

<https://www.cranleighfc.co.uk/2025/04/02/sen-football-team-manager-wanted/>

The Baton

Milo Baker

Leadership & motivating/supporting teammates

Sportsmanship Award

Robert Hall

Respect Award

Callum Jordan

Mathematician of the Week

The recipients of Mathematician of Week, awarded by Mrs Webb are

Hayden Howells

For a really good attitude to maths this week in his assessment

Milo Baker

For engagement & effort this week

Daniel Leonard

For concentration & effort on his assessment

& awarded by Mrs Palmer is

Kamauri Craig

For his perseverance & resilience

& awarded by Mr Wright is

	Freddie Ponsford <i>For conquering learning pits!</i>
<u>Scientist of the Week</u>	The recipients of Scientist of the week, awarded by Mr Cybuch are KS3 Jaden Doorga Kamauri Craig <i>For resilience</i> KS4 Harry Franklin <i>For independence</i>
<u>Writer of the Week</u>	The recipients of Writer of the Week, awarded by Miss Newcombe is KS3 Jack Gregory George McGookin <i>For the effort applied when creating their war poems</i> KS4 Max Gibbins <i>For his literature essay</i> Taylor Conway <i>For continued effort and engagement</i>
<u>Chef of the Week</u>	The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull is Loui Salliss <i>For resilience and excellent progress with his pastry making skills</i>
<u>Artist of the Week</u>	The recipient of Artist of the Week, awarded by Mrs Ogle is Robert Hall <i>For his commitment and active learning in art this term</i>
<u>Musician of the Week</u>	The recipient of Musician of the Week, awarded by Mr Smith is Leo Sumsion
<u>Reader of the Week</u>	The recipients of Reader of the Week, awarded by Miss Wood and Miss Newcombe are all our Spring Star Assessment Achievers

House Points

House Points	
Nathan Small	1,050 House Points
Harry Franklin	900 House Points
Kasra Alavi	850 House Points
Jacob Kelly	850 House Points
Charlie Carter	750 House Points

Zac Hoad	700 House Points
Jaden Doorga	550 House Points
George McGookin	550 House Points
Luke Luo	450 House Points
Tekai Lewis	150 House Points
Callum Duff	150 House Points
Harley Schooling	100 House Points

Forthcoming Events 2025

Spring Term 2025	
Monday 7 th April - Monday 21 st April 2025	EASTER HOLIDAY (1.20pm finish on 4 th April)
Monday 7 th April - Tuesday 8 th April 2025	Year 9-11 Greenhouse Easter Holiday Scheme
Tuesday 15 th April - Thursday 17 th April 2025	Year 7-8 Greenhouse Easter Holiday Scheme
Summer Term 2025	
Tuesday 22 nd April 2025	Start of summer term (Start time as if a usual Tuesday 8.30am)
Thursday 24 th April 2025	Bikeability Level 1
Friday 25 th April 2025	Bikeability Level 1
Monday 28 th April 2025	Bikeability Level 2
Tuesday 29 th April 2025	Bikeability Level 2
Wednesday 30 th April 2025	Bikeability Level 2
Wednesday 30 th April 2025	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 30 th April 2025	SSSSA KS4 Basketball
Thursday 1 st May 2025`	Bikeability Level 2
Friday 2 nd May 2025	Bikeability Level 2
Tuesday 6 th May 2025	Year 10 Kenley Bike Challenge
Wednesday 7 th May 2025	Year 11 Kenley Bike Challenge
Wednesday 7 th May 2025	Open morning (9.30-11am)
Friday 9 th May 2025	Year 8 Kenley Bike Challenge
Monday 12 th May 2025	KS4 Fulham football Start of GCSE exams
Friday 16 th May 2025	Year 9 Kenley Bike Challenge
Friday 23 rd May 2025	Year 7 Kenley Bike Challenge
Monday 26 th May - Friday 30 th May 2025	HALF TERM
Monday 2 nd - Friday 6 th June 2025	Year 10 Work Experience
Monday 9 th June 2025	KS3 Fulham football
Wednesday 18 th June 2025	Year 10 Parents' Evening Last GCSE exam
Thursday 19 th June 2025	Year 11 Graduation
Friday 20 th June 2025	Business Breakfast
Friday 20 th June 2025	INSET DAY
Thursday 26 th June 2025	FoS Golf Day
Wednesday 2 nd - Friday 4 th July 2025	Year 9 Residential
Wednesday 9 th July 2025	Presentation Event
Friday 11 th July 2025	The Arc - Prospero Drama Group
Thursday 17 th July 2025	Sports Day
Friday 18 th July 2025	END OF TERM (1.20pm finish)
Monday 21 st July 2025 (Was 4 th November 2024)	INSET DAY
Tuesday 22 nd July 2025 (Was 14 th March 2025)	INSET DAY

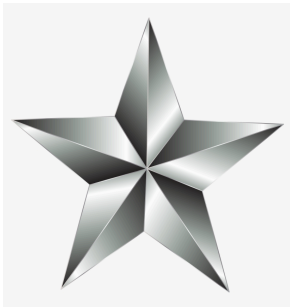


Spring 2025 Reading Achievers



100% (5 House Points)

Callum D (7C)
 Thomas I
 Carter S
 Jack Mc
 Harry O-F
 James T
 Jack G
 Kye L
 Oscar G
 Hayden H
 Matthew M
 Callum D (9C)
 Noah A
 Zac H
 Luke D
 Harvey C
 Harry F
 Dominic H
 Jacob K
 Alfie M
 Charlie H
 Callum J
 Leo S
 Ollie T
 Sonny C



90% + (3 House Points)

Isaac B
 Leo E
 Louie R
 Harley S
 Jonah M
 Harry S
 Daniel L
 Frankie Mc
 Luke L
 George M
 Eddie S
 Freddie D
 Jack B
 Freddie C
 Robert H
 Alex P
 Charlie C
 Logan E
 Nathan S



80% + (1 House Point)

Elliot P
 William E
 Tekai L
 Ross S
 Kai B
 Jacob N
 Jacob R
 Louis S
 Kamauri C
 Jaden D
 Thomas E
 Sam L
 Ethan L
 Freddie P
 Callum T
 Kasra A
 Bailey G
 Lithar P-B
 Toby C
 James H
 Felix D
 Anthony H
 Finley M



Huge Congratulations to all students who achieved reading success this term!