

# SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

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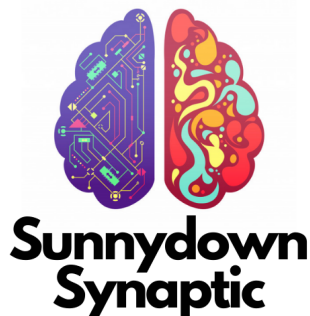
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## Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021

As we come to the end of an Autumn term, it gives us time to pause on what has been achieved here at Sunnydown. I could have chosen to expand on many initiatives including the welcoming of our chickens, the preparation for the goats and wallabies, the football tournament success, the evening of success celebrated at the National Unique Art awards in London. This list goes on, however, one event that typifies what students at Sunnydown have access to, and can contribute to, is Sunnydown Synaptic, coordinated by Mrs Wood.



The Sunnydown Synaptic Team consisted of scientists from Kings College including Sally Horton, Sara Ratti, Leigh Wilson and Richard Wingate along with artist Charlie Murphy and electronic engineer Robin Bussell. This team worked with our students over several days here at Sunnydown prior to Summer and into the Autumn term, exploring brain science.

The project culminated in a trip to London for the students and staff to The Old Operating Theatre Museum and Herb Garret in London where an exhibition now exists. This exhibition is open until 22nd January, with the link to tickets below. If you get the opportunity, please do visit it and let the school know.

<https://oldoperatingtheatre.com/sunnydown-synaptic-journeys-emotions-brainstorms/>

The week ahead will have a Christmas feel to it with our festive lunch being served on Wednesday, a Christmas shopping experience and snow machine on Thursday, followed by a relaxed Friday morning with a 1.30pm departure. All events will have an element of Covid safety and awareness but I believe that it is also important for us to help each young man have a nice time as possible.

When we return in January, there will need to be onsite testing for students on the first day back. As the current Covid situation develops further, it may be that bubbles will return and other measures to try to keep one another safe. I will communicate with families prior to the start of Spring term to outline any developments.

As it is possible that there will not be a newsletter next week, For the moment however, I take this opportunity to wish everyone the most wonderful Christmas possible.

Paul Jensen

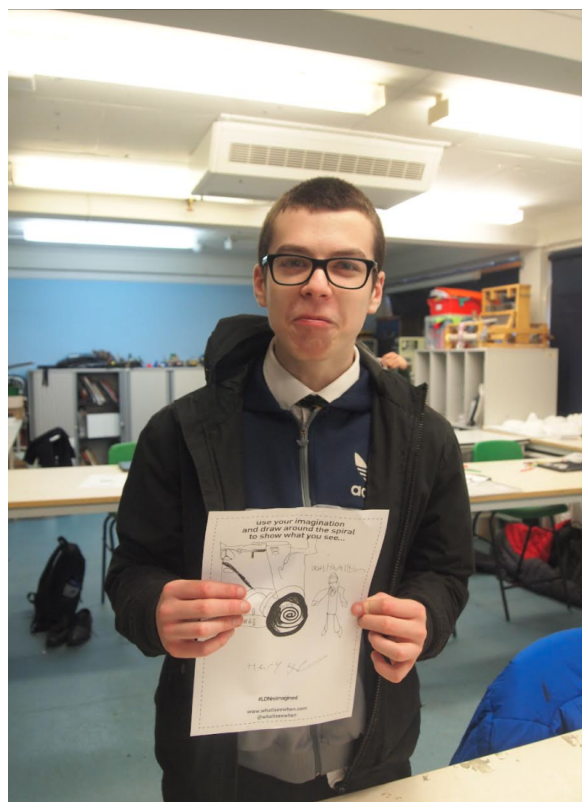
### 100% Attendance

Congratulations to 10P for achieving 100% attendance for w/e 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021.

### Visit from Graphic Designer

We had a great morning on Tuesday when visiting graphic design artist, Robert John came in to show his work and talk about his job at the BBC. The boys made themselves and us proud and created some fantastic work, demonstrating their talents and imagination. Mr John said they were a pleasure to work with.

**Mrs Ogle**



## Food Tech - Reminder

Please remember to bring in clean aprons and hats each week, especially in the current climate of Covid. Also don't forget to take them home at the end of the week.

Mrs Hull

## Friends of Sunnydown

**Staff Christmas fund:** Thank you to all who have donated to the staff Christmas fund. There is still time to contribute, if you wish to do so:

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents/index.cfm?event=event&eventId=38158#.YO6y60zTXIU>

Cash can also be sent into the school office marked 'Staff Fund' or you can also transfer funds via online transfer using the following details:

Friends of Sunnydown,  
Santander, Account Number: 89549767  
Sort Code: 09-01-28  
Reference: Staff Fund

**Christmas raffle:** We are holding our usual Christmas raffle with some very exciting prizes up for grabs, including cinema tickets, wine, games and much more! If you require further raffle ticket booklets, please contact: [office@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:office@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk)

<p><b><u>Chef of the Week</u></b></p> <p>The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull is:</p> <p><b>Taylor Conway (8T)</b></p>	<p><b><u>Artist of the Week</u></b></p> <p>The recipient of Artist of the Week, awarded by Mrs Ogle and Miss Adams for excellent work &amp; concentration with the graphic design artist &amp; in the lesson this week is:</p> <p><b>Jamie Rogers (9M)</b></p>
<p><b><u>Thought for this week</u></b> <b>(W/C: 6<sup>th</sup> December)</b></p> <p><b><u>Role Models -</u></b> <b><u>How do others see us?</u></b> <b><u>How do we want to be seen?</u></b></p>	<p><b><u>Thought for next week</u></b> <b><u>(W/C: 13<sup>th</sup> December)</u></b></p> <p><b>End of term reflection- Spiritual</b></p>

<b><u>House Points</u></b>	
Kal-El Harris	250 House Points
Alfie Monk	50 House Points
Harry Franklin	50 House Points

### **Friday Curriculum: 17/12/21**

A timetable of events will be sent out next week. Please be reminded though that students leave at 1.30pm on this day. There will be a range of alternative activities during the morning.

### **Link to Sunnydown Form Page for all other updates:**

<https://sites.google.com/sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk/sunnydown-learning-hub/home>