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Weekly newsletter (Part 2)

AUP - On-line Safety

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, please can you read through the AUP and complete the Google form (sent out via Parentmail last week), to confirm that you have read it with your son. Thank you to those who have already submitted their responses.

Mr Lord

FT Interhouse Competition

This week in Food Tech Year 8 took part in an inter-House competition to make a well presented layered salad. These were then evaluated and voted on by their class peers and staff. All the boys worked extremely hard and I am pleased to announce the winners for each class:

8C

Winner - Ollie McEvaddy

Runner Up - Ty Small

8M

Winner - Alexander Neale

Runner Up - Kieran Kirk

Congratulations to all the boys for taking part.

Mrs Hull

Bike Cycling Achievement

A massive congratulations to Nathan Small who cycled in school unsupported for the first time this week. Well done Nathan and three house points are coming your way.

100% Attendance

Congratulations to 9P and 8M for achieving 100% attendance for the w/e 12th March 2021.

Friends of Sunnydown



Second-hand uniform

Please consider donating any outgrown uniform and visit the link to our online shop if you require any items:

www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents

Tokyo Challenge

The boys have now virtually passed Atlanta - an incredible achievement but there's still a way to go. Keep going with all those activities!

The Tokyo Challenge cup is up for grabs for the winning team - and don't forget the first prize of the Olympic park family ticket:

www.getset.co.uk/travel-tokyo/log-activity

Donations can be paid directly in to the account below (please reference: Tokyo Challenge):

Bank: Santander

Sort Code No: 09 01 28

Account No: 89549767

or

Paypal: www.paypal.com/donate/?hosted_button_id=9LXXQJ5DCJCUU

The next Friends of Sunnydown meeting will be online on Thursday 25th March - all are welcome.

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friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk

Scientist of the Week

The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch and Mr Djehiche is Teddy Foster (7D) for independence.

Science guess the picture competition

Picture of the week is shown below. Last week's answer was Barracuda (or Cuda for short) fish. Delicious and perfectly safe to eat if you consume only the small ones. Eating Cudas more than about 3.5 feet long isn't advised because they can accumulate a naturally occurring toxin called 'ciguatera'. Basically, Cudas and other large predators eat smaller fish that graze algae off of the reefs.

Congratulations to **Varen Estwick, Ryan Gelett and Jack Pinsent** who received their prizes on Monday.





Science fact of last week

Why does bright light make me sneeze?

Answer: This is known as the photic sneeze reflex, syndrome. You need to inherit the gene from one of your parents to have the trait. However, we still don't know exactly how light entering the eyes can lead to a sneeze. No correct answers received.

Science fact for this week

Why are crows attracted to shiny things?



Mr Djehiche

Thought for THIS week was: Neurodiversity Celebration Week. Changes - How can we manage?

This week's Thought for the Week was about

(10M feedback)

Thought for NEXT week: Building confidence and coping with change

Word of the Week

Metamorphosis (adjective) – please see end of newsletter (w/c 22nd March 2021).

Mrs Herring

Chef of the Week

The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull is James Hall (7D).



House Points

All House Points will be updated through the week. Thank you for your patience.

The Sunnydown Cycle Scheme and Caterham Cycle Challenge

Introductory information

Sunnydown School in Caterham, Surrey, runs a cycle scheme where students are offered the opportunity to gain a cycle mechanic qualification as part of their curriculum.

Cycling gives a sense of freedom to the rider. Being able to maintain one's own bike whether at home or while out in the field adds a layer of confidence to the experience.

To launch our local scheme we had big plans. The original intention was to take a small group of students and staff to Australia and participate in The Gibb Challenge but Covid put this notion to rest. The Gibb Challenge involves cycling as soloist or as part of a team 660km over 5 days across the remote Kimberly region of Western Australia along the Gibb River Road. The event raises money for the Royal Flying Doctors Service. This is a mountain biking event like no other.

Not to be deterred by Covid restrictions, we now envisage our own (socially distanced and Covid Secure) Caterham Cycle Challenge, inspired by The Gibb Challenge.

As a school, we intend on cycling 660km using Kenley Aerodrome as the main circuit. Our event will synchronise with the Australian event, and as such will take place the week Friday 14th May to Friday 21st May.



The intention is for this to become an annual event and we still have the desire to take students to The Gibb Challenge in years to come.

The Gibb Challenge (<https://thegibbchallenge.com.au/>) is a fundraising event, with a majority of proceeds going to the Royal Flying Doctor Service (RFDS) in Australia. However, some proceeds do go towards your own chosen charity or organisation, and of course would have been our own cycle scheme.



As the current situation prevents our involvement in the Australian event, fundraising would still be involved in our Caterham Cycle Challenge.

This year, we would like to raise approximately £17,000 and donate this money to primary schools with CR3 postcodes to support their families who are eligible for FSM to purchase school shoes in September 2021.

Of any money raised in excess of this amount, a small percentage would be retained for our Cycle Scheme and the RFDS as our event will remain affiliated with The Gibb Challenge, especially since this was the inspiration for our event.

If you would like more information; perhaps you would like to support this event by sponsoring a cyclist from Sunnydown, or know of businesses who may benefit from supporting such a cause, please do not hesitate in sharing the email address below.

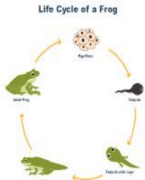
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Word of the Week w/c 22nd March 2021

Metamorphosis

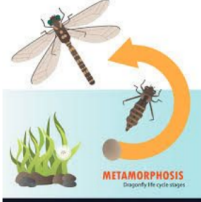
Adjective

A change of the form of a thing or person into a completely different one.



Life Cycle of a Frog

A frog starts life as a tadpole before changing into a frog.



Dragonfly nymphs live under water until metamorphosing into a dragonflies.

METAMORPHOSIS
Dragonfly life cycle

VeritasBook

