

# SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

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## Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

I hope you had a lovely Easter break and are ready for yet another busy start to the Summer term.

### Cycle Challenge 2024

It's almost that time of year again. The Sunnydown Kenley bike event draws ever closer. Once again we will be cycling a distance of 660km around Kenley aerodrome to raise £10,000 for specialist mental health provision. As always, students can bring their own bikes and helmets on the day and if anyone is able to support as a marshall on any of the days, that is always greatly appreciated. If you would be interested in supporting in this, or any other, way please contact: [cyclescheme@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:cyclescheme@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk). At the end of the newsletter are links to our Justgiving page and sponsorship form and as always, happy cycling!

Dates:

*Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Year 9s*

*Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May - Year 8s*

*Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Year 11s*

*Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May - Year 10s*

*Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May - Year 7s*

Thanks and best wishes!

**Gabe**

### Greenhouse Sports - Easter Holiday Scheme

Over Easter we held another successful holiday scheme with students taking part in hide and seek, chicken hero, water fights, Easter egg treasure hunts, football, tennis, cycling and karaoke - where some hidden talent was revealed. Then going to Sayers Croft to take part in climbing, caving, high ropes, campfire building, blindfold trails and maze exploration. It was a great opportunity for the boys to develop teamwork and resilience, try new things and build confidence. A high point was when Alexander, Michael and Freddie all overcame their fears to complete the high ropes course and it was especially great to see the encouragement and support their peers showed them while they navigated the courses. Freddie had to be helped down by staff after his first attempt but then went straight back up and completed it. I have never seen such a quick turnaround. Another high was seeing the boys develop trust, communication and teamwork while navigating a blindfold trail. Some of the boys' thoughts are below:

*Freddie P:* My favourite things were Easter egg hunts, zipline and caving, hide and seek and chicken hero

*Alexander:* Doing high ropes helped me get over my fear of heights

*Michael:* It helped me overcome my fear of heights. I was shaking the first time on the tripwire. Then I looked at other boys doing it and after coming back down I went back up.



## Online Safety

Please the flyer attached to this newsletter with a guide 'What Parents & Carers Need to know about WhatsApp'

**Mr Cassim**



*Speaking up for the families of children & young people with additional needs in Surrey*

### **26/4/24 Coffee morning: SCC Family Communications Officer**

Parent/Carers are invited to join FVS Tandridge Coordinator Gretta Schifano for a coffee morning at the British Red Cross Hall in Oxted\* on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April from 10.00am – 12.00pm. Jade Russell, Surrey Family Communications Officer with the Learners Single Point of Access (L-SPA) is also joining this session. Jade's role is to support parents who have been declined an Education, Health, and Care Needs assessment for their child. They work to ensure parents understand the recommendations of the panel and the next steps. They also work in the community to promote the L-SPA service and provide advice to parents. This advice covers what strategies are available to children in school who need extra support but do not have an EHCP. If you would like to meet Jade, or to just have a chat and meet other parents of babies, children and young people with additional needs, do come along.

### **7/6/24 Coffee morning: SEND Advice Surrey**

Parents/Carers are invited to join FVS Tandridge Coordinator Gretta Schifano for a coffee morning at the British Red Cross Hall in Oxted\* on 7<sup>th</sup> June from 10.00am – 12.00pm. SEND Advice Surrey are also joining this session. SEND Advice Surrey is the county's Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information and Advice Service. If you would like to talk to SEND Advice Surrey, or to just have a chat and meet other parents of babies, children and young people with additional needs, do come along. This session is free of charge to Surrey parents/carers.

\*The British Red Cross Hall is opposite the entrance to Tandridge Leisure Centre, behind Morrisons. The address is: Hoskins Rd, Oxted, RH8 9HT.

## Friends of Sunnydown

Have you booked your tickets yet? Friends of Sunnydown are so excited to announce that after the huge success of last year's SunnyFest, we are doing it all again! SunnyFest 24 will be on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2024, 12pm - 7pm and tickets are £12 (kids under 12 go free with a paying adult) and on sale now. The bands are being confirmed and the pizza van has been booked, so bring all your friends and family for a fab afternoon. Hope to see you there! If you are a small business owner who would like to have a stall at the event please contact: [friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk)

Book Tickets Here: <https://www.tickettailor.com/events/friendsofsunnydownschool/1135341>

Would you like to join the FOS team? We have our next online meeting on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 7.30pm where we will be chatting about all things Sunnydown and what we can do next to support the boys, so do email [friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk) for joining details. Hope to see you there!

Secondhand uniform: Just a reminder that we have plenty of uniform available, so if there is anything you need either click through on the link below or email: [friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk)

<https://www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents>

<p><b><u>Thought for the Week</u></b>  <b>(W/C 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024)</b></p> <p>How can we maintain positive relationships?</p>	<p><b><u>Thought for the Week</u></b>  <b>(W/C 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2024)</b></p> <p>Why do we need to look after our planet?</p>
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<p><b><u>Mathematician of the Week</u></b></p>	<p>The recipient of Mathematician of the Week, awarded by Mrs Webb is</p> <p><b>Frankie McSorley</b>  <b>(7C)</b></p> <p><i>For a great positive attitude &amp; engagement in maths this week</i></p> <p>&amp; awarded by Mr Zadok is</p> <p><b>James Millar</b>  <b>(11C)</b></p> <p><i>For co-operation</i></p>
<p><b><u>Scientist of the Week</u></b></p>	<p>The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch is</p> <p><b>Felix Drummond</b>  <b>(10T)</b></p> <p><i>For independence</i></p> <p>&amp; awarded by Ms Hristova are:</p> <p><b>Matthew Marenga</b>  <b>(7P)</b></p> <p><b>Loui Salliss</b>  <b>(7P)</b></p> <p><i>For resilience &amp; independence</i></p>
<p><b><u>Writer of the Week</u></b></p>	<p>The recipients of Writer of the Week, awarded by Miss Newcombe</p> <p><b>KS3</b></p> <p><b>Frankie McSorley</b>  <b>(7C)</b></p> <p><i>For enthusiasm &amp; engagement this week</i></p> <p><b>KS4</b></p> <p><b>A J Harper</b>  <b>(10T)</b></p> <p><i>For enthusiasm &amp; engagement this week</i></p>
<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>Dominic Hanley</b>  <b>(9N)</b></p> <p><i>For focus &amp; great effort to perfect his dish</i></p>

<b><u>Artist of the Week</u></b>	The recipient of Artist of the Week, awarded by Mrs Ogle is <b>Bailey Goodliffe</b> (9N) <i>For his fantastic photography in art this week</i>
<b><u>Musician of the Week</u></b>	The recipients of Musician of the Week, awarded by Mr Smith are <b>Kamauri Craig</b> (8C) <b>Hayden Howells</b> (7P)

### House Points

House Points	
George Whatling	950 House Points
Oscar Stewart	900 House Points
Andrew Hendry-Smith	850 House Points
Callum Jordan	800 House Points
James Hall	750 House Points
Charlie McSorley	700 House Points
Jayden Smurthwaite	700 House Points
Toby Chapman	600 House Points
Kamauri Craig	600 House Points
Jayden Peters	600 House Points
Freddie Ponsford	600 House Points
Thomas Emms	400 House Points
Kye Lawrence	250 House Points
Hayden Howells	200 House Points
Daniel Leonard	200 House Points
Milo Baker	150 House Points

### Forthcoming Events 2024

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Description</u></b>
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Year 11 Parents' Evening - 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> April	KS4 Football League Day 2
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April	FoS online meeting - 7.30pm
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May	Kenley Bike Event - Year 9
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Kenley Bike Event - Year 8
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Kenley Bike Event - Year 11

Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Kenley Bike Event - Year 10
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> May	KS3 Football League Day 2
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	Kenley Bike Event - Year 7
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> - Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May	Year 9 Residential Trip
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> -31 <sup>st</sup> May	HALF TERM
Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> June	SunnyFest
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 8 - HPV 1 Dose
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 10 Parents' Evening 4.00pm - 6.00pm
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June	Scheduled Formal Graduation event 🎓
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	Prospero Performance
Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June	KS4 Football League Day 3
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> June	School trip to The Arc
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> July	KS3 Football League Day 3
Tuesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July	Prospero Performance - Beauty & The Beast
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	END OF TERM

# Sunnydown School Caterham Cycle Challenge



## **The Community Needs You!**

Between 3rd & 14th May, the students of Sunnydown School will be cycling 660km around Kenley Aerodrome.

We want to raise £10,000 to support local schools by providing additional Specialist Mental Health and Wellbeing Practitioner hours for those families in need.

[www.justgiving.com/campaign/  
sunnydowncyclechallenge24](https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/sunnydowncyclechallenge24)

[cyclescheme@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:cyclescheme@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk)

**Please help by sponsoring this event - any  
donations are gratefully received.**