

SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

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Friday 20th May 2022

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

I urge all families to visit the Just Giving link (and share it) so that you can see how much support we have in the wider community. With almost £12,000 (34%) already raised, your ongoing support is appreciated. A huge thanks to GusPeriscopes and the Caruana family for their major sponsorship of the event for this year. I am also aware of an incredibly generous contribution from the Punjabi family. Every penny counts as we try to do our bit to improve Mental Health in our local community.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/SunnydownCC22>



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I appreciate that some Year 7 students were disappointed with not cycling today - but with the rain here in Caterham this was definitely the right decision. I cannot confirm the date of the Year 7 ride, and it may need to be held after half term as the weather forecast is wet early in the week, and then key staff are away later in the week for the Belgium trip for Year 10.

I am so looking forward to seeing families, staff and members of the public at the Live Music event tonight. Some tickets are still available via the link below. If you can, please come along. Further details are below in the FoS section.

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

Year 11 Updates

I have been so impressed with how all of the young men have performed this week under the stresses of GCSE exams. They will all breathe a sigh of relief next Friday as they get the chance to relax over half term and prepare for the exams after half term.

Year 11 Graduation is scheduled for Thursday 23rd June, a wonderful celebration of the five year journey through Sunnydown and we are so excited that this will be an onsite event, with families. A wonderful curry meal will be part of the experience with more details to follow soon.

I also understand that a UK trip is being arranged for the week after Graduation. Such a shame that going to Spain for this week was not possible but I am confident that Miss Wood will put together a wonderful experience for all boys.

Weekend Working Bee

A massive thank you to the families able to attend the Working Bee last weekend. In wonderful sunshine, burgers were heartily eaten following a morning of removing weeds, mowing, soil moving, grass planting, raking, trips to the skip and BBQ Hut cleaning. It always amazes me when I see so much achieved in such a short space of time from volunteers. Working collaboratively is such a wonderful experience. Many thanks to the Franklin, Dean, Histed and Caruana families. The Scott and Barnes family also arrived in time for burgers following a morning of collecting money outside of Morrisons.

East Surrey College Open Event: Saturday 11th June 2022

Please see details at the end of this newsletter re the above event.

Visit from the Ice Cream Van

On Tuesday we were lucky enough to have a visit from the ice cream van, on behalf of Mr Jensen. It was a very welcome treat on a lovely hot day.





Friends of Sunnydown

Tonight's the night! There are still a few tickets left for 'The Wildfires.' Have a listen online - you will no doubt find a tune you like: www.thewildfiresband.com

Tickets are £25.00 per person and include a free drink and food: www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents

FoS have also arranged an online silent Auction where there are many items to bid on. Of particular interest are three photos from one of our own students, Connor Mason. One of them won the Silver prize at a National competition. Please visit the auction and make a bid. All money raised goes towards our Cycle Challenge.

<https://superstars-auctions.com/sunnydownschoolonlineauction>

The boys have been absolutely amazing this week during our Cycle Challenge - many of whom have clocked up a fair few miles around the Kenley aerodrome. This is in spite of the wet weather, which thankfully hasn't dampened their spirits. Please support our boys with this incredible achievement by digging deep to sponsor them. Thank you.

Thought for this week
(W/C:16th May)

What makes a family?

Thought for the week
(W/C:23rd May)

Keeping safe out and about

Chef of the Week

The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Miss Carew for his hard work and helping others is:

Charlie McSorley
(8D)

Artist of the Week

The Artist of the Week, awarded by Mrs Ogle for his fantastic drawing of a plane in art this week for his fabulous Lego poster is:

Alfie Tharle
(7O)

Scientist of the Week

The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch for co-operation and resilience is:

Jamie Rogers
(9M)

Mathematician of the Week

The recipient of Artist of the Week, awarded by Mr Zadok for engagement is:

Edward Bridges-Pugh
(10P)

House Points this week	
Miles Eliatamby	700 House Points
Tomas Bodkin	550 House Points
Nathan Small	350 House Points
Charlie McSorley	300 House Points
Logan East	250 House Points
Antony Harper	250 House Points
Luke Dean	100 House Points

Friday Curriculum (27/5/22)

A ParentMail will be sent next week listing activities.



Saturday 11 June 2022
East Surrey College, 10:00-12:30

Students can pre-register online at www.esc.ac.uk

Our Open Event is for students who are still undecided as to their school leaving progression route as well as those who'd simply like to take another look around the College. We have a huge range of **16-18** and **19+** courses, **T Levels**, **Apprenticeships** and **University Level** courses to choose from. There's something for everyone!

Students can:

- Hear the **Principal's Welcome Talk**, the **Apprenticeship Talk**, the **T Levels Talk** and a **Higher Education Talk**
- Chat 1:1 with our tutors across a range of **full-time and part-time** courses
- Enjoy a guided tour of our **state-of-the-art facilities**
- Discover more about Apprenticeships, Higher Education and T Levels
- Speak to specialist advisers to discuss **Additional Learning Support**
- Talk to our finance and bursary advisers for up-to-date advice on **financial support options**

To find out more about this event or how we can support your school and your students, please contact **Tom Barnes**, Head of School Liaison, by email: tbarnes@esc.ac.uk
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