# SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

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### Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

The Friends of Sunnydown (FoS) needs your support. Without them and their efforts, we as a school cannot afford Learning Space, which is support for students and families that very few other schools locally are able to access.

To continue this provision, and explore other initiatives as well, the FoS needs you to be part of the 50:50 club, to attend the quiz nights, to buy (and sell) raffle tickets for the Christamns draw, as well as donate Christamas gifts.

Support is also required in the form of attending the meetings - either online or in person. The more hands the lighter the work.

What was obvious last night at the FoS meeting, was the dedication of the small group of core families is palpable. The pride they feel in the school is immense. Their desire to do more is evident. But they need your support.

SunnyFest is scheduled for Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June, with our first band 'Happy Jacks' already booked.

For more information or to offer support, please email friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk

Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October is Inset. Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, students should return to school as if it is a regular Tuesday. For clarity, students arrive 8.30am to 9.00am, followed by tutor time 9.00am to 9.15am and then a regular Tuesday timetable. There will be no assembly. Taxi companies will be informed but please also communicate directly with your driver to ensure they are aware that it is a regular Tuesday start.

Huge congratulations to James Dean who was awarded his certificate for being achieving 1000 House Points already. He is well on the way to establishing a new record total!

Today saw an action pack series of events which focussed on participation as part of the House system. The culmination was a whole school quiz where excitement and engagement and fun was clearly evident. Huge congratulations to Mr Wright who arranged many of the events, to all of the staff who helped and even coordinated activities, but to the students as well for understanding the importance of such days. These consolidate our familial feeling, and help develop our Resilience, our Cooperation and our Independence, all at once. Mr Wright will announce House Points updates after half term.

Regardless of your agenda for next week, I hope that it brings all that you desire. Have a wonderful half term and I look forward to seeing my boys return fresh and energised, on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> for a special Halloween lunch.

Paul Jensen

#### School Photos

The school photos were taken on Tuesday this week. There were individual photos as well as class photos. Hopefully your son will have come home with their ID card. This will allow you to order the photos once they are available online. If you do not have a copy of this ID card, please contact the school office.

**Miss Lawson** 

#### Friends of Sunnydown

Thank you so much to all who attended the Friends of Sunnydown AGM, it was a very productive meeting and our Treasurer confirmed that in the last year we have raised close to  $\pm 30,000$ , which is an incredible achievement for such a small community. We also drew the 50/50 club lottery (this monthly donation to the Friends lottery means we raise funds and you have the chance to win cash prizes every month - contact FoS to find out more). The winners for October are:

1<sup>st</sup> **Prize** - David Mooney 2<sup>nd</sup> **Prize** - Anthony Caruana

You will receive an email shortly about your winnings!

#### Dates for your diary:

<u>Family Quiz Night</u> - Bring the whole family for a night of fun and food at our family quiz night on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm (arrival for a 7.00pm start). Tickets are £12 for adults and £6 for children (under 12) and includes fish and chips and lots of fun. Bring your own drinks and nibbles. Book your tickets here or contact friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk for more information.

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

<u>Donation Days</u> - Do you have any unwanted gifts and or wrapped sweets/chocolate that you could re-gift/donate? We are holding donation days on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December and Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December at school ahead of the boys Christmas shopping day and would gratefully receive any good condition and unwanted gifts which can be suitable for women, men or children and sweet treats for the tombola.

<u>Join us</u> - FoS are a very small team and we are looking for new members who can spare an hour or so each month to support us with fundraising and planning events. If you would like to be part of the team email friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk

Thank you for your continued support and wishing you a lovely half term.

#### Song of the Week

Song of the Week: is 'Wanna Be Startin Somethin' Michael Jackson (1982).

#### Pet of the Week

This week's Pet of the Week is Alexander Thompson's rescue dog from Romania - Bear. He is 14 and a Carpathian Shepherd. He likes people, cuddles and chasing rabbits but he doesn't like thunderstorms.



#### **Mrs Peterson**

## Thought for the Week Thought for the Week (W/C 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023 (W/C 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023) Looking after ourselves: **British Values** Movember & emotional health **Sportsmanship Award Employability Skills Award Jayden Peters Ryan Gellett** (90) (11C) **Baton Award Jack Bristow** (8W)

Mathematician	<u>Scientist</u>	<u>Artist of the</u>	<u>Chef of the</u>	<u>Musician of</u>	<u>Writer of the</u>
of the Week	of the Week	<u>Week</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>the Week</u>	<u>Week</u>
The recipient of Mathematician of the Week, awarded by Mrs Cybuch is Alexander Thompson (7C)	The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Ms Hristova is Finley Marley (10T) For his resilience, cooperation & completing his work	by Mrs Ogle is Thomas Emms (8C)	The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull is Matthew Marenga (7P) For his growing confidence in the food room	The recipient of Musician of the Week, awarded by Mrs Cybuch is Zac Hoad (8W)	The recipient of Writer of the Week is KS3 Daniel Leonard (7C) For his vivid imagination in creating a two chapter story KS4 Max Gibbins (10T) For his artistic way of gaining quotes from An Inspector Calls

House Points			
Alexander Neale	800 House Points		
Jamie Rogers	800 House Points		
Ollie McEvaddy	700 House Points		
Teddy Foster	650 House Points		
Alfie Monk	550 House Points		
Alfie Wilson	550 House Points		
Freddie Collins	450 House Points		
Finley Marley	400 House Points		
Harrison Williams	300 House Points		

Jaden Doorga	300 House Points
Frankie McSorley	50 House Points

## **Forthcoming Events 2023**

Date	Description	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	Last day of half term	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> - Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> October	Half Term	
Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> October	Inset Day	
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> November	English Functional Skills exams	
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	Maths Functional Skills exams	
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> November - Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	Year 11 Annual Review meetings	
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> November	Friends of Sunnydown Quiz Night	
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> December	FoS Donation Day	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	FoS Donation Day	
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> December	Reports sent home	
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December	End of term 1.20pm finish	
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2024	Scheduled formal graduation event	

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KEYBOARD GUITAR

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