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Friday 31st March 2023

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

I often write about how impressed I am with student commitment and resilience. On this occasion however, as we break for Easter, I reflect on the dedicated staff of Sunnydown.

I have encouraged staff to accept that the next two weeks should be devoted solely to themselves and their family. I have challenged staff to add an out of office message to their email accounts and to not check them. This is not a sign of ignoring our work, more about respecting ourselves and taking some time to step back from the pressures of employment in education.

I would encourage families and young men to do the same - spend some time just being with oneself and ones family, doing things you enjoy.

The dedication, commitment and professionalism of my staff shone throughout the Spring term, but came to a crescendo this week with quality education being delivered despite a spike in challenges. The resilience of my staff team is applauded.

To those who are demonstrating their faith through Ramadan - you have my respect.

To those who support Christian traditions - have a wonderful Easter.

Regardless - I wish everyone a restful time.

Paul Jensen

Caterham Cycle Challenge

In approximately 6 weeks, 2 students (Ollie and Oscar) and three staff will be in Australia representing Sunnydown as the first ever International cycling team to attempt the Gibb Challenge. This is one part of the wider Cycle Challenge which seeks to raise money for Mental Health support here at Sunnydown and in our local primary schools.

Please support our aim by donating generously to the Just Giving website, by promoting and attending the SunnyFest and the Corporate Golf Day as well as sponsoring your son in the Caterham Cycle Challenge. Copies of all posters and a sponsorship form are attached again today.

<https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/sunnydowncyclechallenge23>

Greenhouse Youth Advisory Board

It's been a busy few months for Thando. As well as gaining his Greenhouse T shirt, Thando has been a key member of the Greenhouse Youth Advisory Board which led to him playing a major part in the Greenhouse Headteachers' celebration recently. He was chosen to interview one of the headteachers and a Greenhouse coach during the evening and I spoke to one of the organisers, Alex, about Thando's progress below.

Alex: He has been nothing short of exceptional. I feel like he knows more than I do. He's a credit to you. He has fed back on the new Greenhouse logo, what Greenhouse means to him and developed his public speaking skills. In half term he did a workshop with a sports law firm too. Thando - keep up the amazing work. We couldn't be more proud.



Gabe

Science assessments for after the holidays

- Year 7 - Cells, Tuesday 18th April
- Year 8 - Plant reproduction, Wednesday 19th April
- Year 10 - Communicable diseases, Wednesday, 19th April
- Year 11 - Ecology, Wednesday, 19th April

All classes to revise using the PowerPoints on Google Classroom and BBC Bitesize.

Ms Hristova

Greenhouse T Shirts

Five students received Greenhouse T shirts last week. Thando and George for consistent great behaviour and being excellent role models for the school. Reece Williams for being a great mentor for younger students in Games and Reece Wood and Daniel for excellent effort in Games.

Well done to all of you!



Gabe

School Council meeting - Tuesday 28th March 2023

Please see minutes at the end of this newsletter.

Food Tech

Year 7 students will be visiting an Indian sweet shop for their Friday Food Experience next half term and Year 9 will be visiting a Chinese Supermarket. Year 8 will be on site making sushi.

Mrs Hull

Caterham Cycle Challenge

We will be holding a collection outside of Morrisons supermarket in Caterham Valley on both Saturday **22nd** and Sunday **23rd April** between **9.30am and 4.00pm**. If you are able to come along and help us for an hour or two, please could you let me know. It would be lovely to have a few people to spread throughout the day, all for a fantastic cause.

Mrs Cole

Easter Treats

Here is a glimpse of some of the treats made by our Chef, Sean today.



Easter GCSE Revision Days - Year 11

Success at Sunnydown is very much more than just academic outcomes: however, we do have the public exams coming up - GCSEs and BTECs. Subject teachers continue to show commitment to your sons with the offer of Easter Revision days for those Year 11 students who are able to attend and have already registered. These sessions will offer targeted support and revision strategies. We hope that if your son is able to attend that he finds them useful; resources will be shared with all students at the start of the Summer term.

Many thanks to the commitment of our hard working teachers. Any questions about these revision days, please do not hesitate to contact me. Have a lovely Easter.

Date	AM 10-12pm	Lunch	PM 12.30-2.30 pm
Mon 3.4.23 (AJ)	English Lang PW1 (JN) & PW2 (AJ)		English Literature PW2 only
Tue 4.4.23 (SC)	Science PW2		Science PW2
Wed 5.4.23 (YH)	Science PW1		Science PW1
Thursday 6.4.23 (TZ)	Maths PW2		Maths PW2
Tuesday 11.4.22 (BW)	PE Revision		PE Video assessments
Wednesday 12.4.23 (TZ)	Maths PW1		Maths PW1

Attendance

Congratulations to 8N for achieving 100% attendance during the week ending 24th March 2023.

Thought for the Week

(W/C: 27th March)

World Autism Day

Song of the Week

Song of the week was nominated by Ty in 10C: Jessie J, Ariana Grande & Nicki Minaj - Bang Bang (2014)

Sportsmanship Award

Finley Marley
(9T)

Employability Skills Award

Antony Harper
(9T)

For leadership, communication & interpersonal skills

Baton Award

Finley Marley
(9T)

For putting others needs before his own.

He asked to be subbed off during an important rugby match so that he could support a friend who was having a difficult moment.

House Points

James Dean	850 House Points
George Smith	800 House Points
Robert Hall	250 House Points
Alex Pereira	200 House Points

<u>Mathematician of the Week</u>	<u>Scientist of the Week</u>	<u>Musician of the Week</u>	<u>Artist of the Week</u>	<u>Chef of the Week</u>
<p>The recipient of Mathematician of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch for resilience is</p> <p>Kamauri Craig (7C)</p> <p>The recipient of Mathematician of the Week, awarded by Mrs Cybuch is</p> <p>Alfie Tharle (80)</p> <p>The recipient of Mathematician of the Week, awarded by Mr Zadok for achieving 100% in all tests this term is</p> <p>Lucas Abrams (10M)</p>	<p>The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch for cooperation is</p> <p>Edward Gair (9D)</p> <p>The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Ms Hristova for contributions & enthusiasm in lessons is</p> <p>Alex Pereira (7W)</p>	<p>The recipient of Musician of the Week, awarded by Mrs Cybuch is</p> <p>Callum Dowie (7C)</p>	<p>The recipient of Artist of the Week, awarded by Mrs Ogle for his fantastic Unique Art Awards entry is</p> <p>Charlie Carter (8N)</p>	<p>The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull for consistent effort & trying his best is</p> <p>Leo Sumsion (80)</p>

Forthcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Description</u>
Friday 31st March 2023	Last day of term
Monday 17th April 2023	Start of Summer Term
Monday 1st May 2023	Bank Holiday
Monday 8th May 2023	Bank Holiday - King's Coronation
Wednesday 10th May 2023	Students and staff leave for The Gibb Challenge in Australia
Friday 26th May 2023	End of Summer Term 1
Saturday 3rd June 2023	SunnyFest - A music Festival at Sunnydown
Monday 5th June 2023	Start of Summer Term 2 Year 10 Work Experience Week
Tuesday 6th June 2023	Corporate Golf Day, Farleigh Golf Club
Friday 23rd June	Inset Day
Wednesday 5th July 2023	SSSSA Athletics
Friday 21st July 2023	Last day of term

Sunnydown School Caterham Cycle Challenge



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SAFETY . QUALITY . DURABILITY

The Community Needs You!

Between 4th & 12th May, the students of Sunnydown School will be cycling 660km around Kenley Aerodrome.

With your help, we aspire to raise £35,000 to support local schools by providing additional Specialist Mental Health and Wellbeing Practitioner hours for those families in need.

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

www.justgiving.com/campaign/sunnydowncyclechallenge23

For more information email:

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In May, two students are flying to Australia to take part in The Gibb Challenge and cycle 660km across the remote Kimberley region. This demonstrates how committed we are to supporting the Mental Health of our community.

SATURDAY 03RD JUNE
2023
SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL
12.00PM - 8PM
CATERHAM. CR3 5ED

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LIVE MUSIC | GREAT FOOD | FAMILY FUN

JOIN US FOR A FAMILY FESTIVAL,
FILLED WITH AMAZING LIVE MUSIC
BEER/PROSECCO/GIN BAR | PIZZA | BURGERS|
CARIBBEAN FOOD | CAKE| ICECREAM |
BOUNCY CASTLE | MUSIC AND DANCNG

RAISING MONEY AND AWARENESS FOR COMMUNITY
MENTAL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS

TICKETS: £10 UNDER 12'S GO FREE
WITH A PAYING ADULT

SCAN THE CODE TO PURCHASE
TICKETS ONLINE OR BUY IN
PERSON AT COMPUTER
SOLUTIONS CATERHAM






FRIENDS OF SUNNYDOWN
CORPORATE

GOLF DAY

DATE
6 JUNE 2023
ARRIVE 10AM
TEE OFF 11AM

PRICE
£75 PER PERSON
&
£280 PER 4 BALL

VENUE
FARLEIGH GOLF CLUB
OLD FARLEIGH ROAD
WARLINGHAM, CR6 9PE

INCLUDED:
BREAKFAST ROLL &
2 COURSE MEAL

EARLY BIRD:
£65 PER PERSON &
£240 PER 4 BALL
(offer ends 31 March)

BUY TICKETS
www.bit.ly/sunnydowngolf2023

SCAN ME

Sunnydown is a small school in Surrey for young men with ASD.

Friends of Sunnydown supports the school and local community by providing vital funding where needed.

To bring the parental community and their business contacts together for a day to escape the office and help raise funds for the school.



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