

# SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

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**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

Dear all who are associated with Sunnydown,

## Pro-Corda Performing Arts Trip

I had the privilege of driving the students and staff to Leiston Abbey this week for the Fine and Performing Arts trip. They had obviously had a fantastic few days! The accommodation and the food were great; and it was obvious that the boys really enjoyed socialising with other year groups. Activities have ranged from technical backstage work to working in a recording studio, to painting designs and posters, learning new instruments, singing and performing. Miss Newcombe is sure the boys will tell you all about it when they are back home and at school next week!

On Wednesday they had a trip to Aldeburgh beach and enjoyed the sunshine for a few hours before heading back to prepare for our performance of 'School of Rock' on Thursday night.



On behalf of the students who attended, I extend a massive thank you to Miss Newcombe, Miss Brooks and Mr Derrig-Adams. They offered their time above and beyond what is expected of any educator, in preparation prior to but especially during the trip, to ensure it was the success it was. Thank you.

## Caterham Cycle Challenge UPDATE

It is exciting to announce our two major sponsors for the Caterham Cycle Challenge 2022, in **Gus Periscopes** and **EduThing**.

Gus Periscopes have purchased the Shirt Sponsorship package to the value of £3500. This equates to 10% of the total money we are raising.

GuS Periscopes is based in Cwmbran, South Wales and is a wholly owned subsidiary of GuS Glass + Safety GmbH based in Lubbecke, Germany. GuS Periscopes design, manufacture, and repair custom and standard Periscopes, Episcopes and Vision Block applications.



On their website, the first line says '*we protect those who protect us*'. In a world of uncertainty, it is so reassuring to know that the UK are world leaders through GuS Periscopes, in ensuring high degrees of safety. To the management and staff of GuS Periscopes, I extend my genuine gratitude for supporting the Mental Health and Well-being of young people in the Caterham area by being our major Shirt Sponsor for 2022.

For the second year, EduThing have contributed a major sponsorship deal by purchasing the Titanium package to the value of £2022.



The website indicates that EduThing are a *forward thinking, proactive and flexible company that provides managed IT services for schools, academies and multi academy trusts in the primary, secondary and independent sector*. What they have forgotten to mention is that they have been managing our IT system at Sunnydown for five (5) years and have provided impeccable service throughout. Some of the local schools who benefitted from Sunnydown donations last year, and will again receive Mental Health support this year, are also supported by EduThing - a wonderful company that values relationships and positive Mental Health.

Cycle sponsorship forms, dates and times for the cycle ride, and all details required to make the event a huge success will be published on Monday. Please continue to promote the event by sharing the posters with family and friends, and business contacts.

A huge thank you is extended to the Friends of Sunnydown, lead by Kelly Barnes for their support of the Cycle Challenge. As part of the ongoing fundraising for the cycle challenge FoS will be doing some 'bucket shaking' and raising awareness at two of our local supermarkets on:

Saturday 07th May: 10-3pm Tesco (Caterham on the Hill)

Saturday 14th May: 10-12pm Morrisons (Caterham Valley)

We are looking for volunteers to support us, so, if you can spare one hour on either Saturday then please email [friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:friends@sunnydown.surrey.sch.uk) so that we can schedule a rota. Boys are welcome to join in!

Thank you so much for your support.

### **Open Morning - Wednesday 4th May**

With over 70 families visiting us on Wednesday, you will appreciate the popularity of Sunnydown as the first choice for many families who want an exceptional secondary educational experience for their son. With only 16 places available each year, you will also understand the demand and competition for places at Sunnydown. I maintain that while we are a world class school, we are not right for all young men and their families and while we attempt to accommodate as many requests for bespoke support as we can, it is not possible to manage all of them.

Of particular excitement was that some families of Year 7 in September 2022 were present for another tour. Transition days for these young men will be published next week, and they will visit Sunnydown several times during the Summer term.

### **100% Attendance**

Congratulations to those students who have achieved 100% attendance over the second half of the Spring Term (10 students) and also the whole of the Spring Term (24 students)!

### **Friends of Sunnydown**

#### **Band night (in support of the Caterham Cycle Challenge) - it's almost here!!!!**

Grown-ups - get your dancing shoes on for a night of live music! 'The Wildfires' will be playing at Sunnydown on the evening of Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May. Tickets are £25.00 per person and include a free drink and food. Be sure to get your tickets before they sell out: [www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents](http://www.pta-events.co.uk/sunnydownevents)

<b><u>Thought for this week</u></b> <b>(W/C: 2<sup>nd</sup> May)</b>	<b><u>Thought for the week</u></b> <b>(W/C:9th May)</b>
How can we resolve conflict?	What does fair trade mean?

<p><b><u>Chef of the Week</u></b></p> <p>The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Miss Carew is:</p> <p><b>Max Mahboobani (9C)</b></p>	<p><b><u>Artist of the Week</u></b></p> <p>The Artist of the Week, awarded by Mrs Ogle for resilience with his digital art is:</p> <p><b>Charlie McSorley (8D)</b></p>	<p><b><u>Scientist of the Week</u></b></p> <p>The recipient of Scientist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch for co-operation &amp; resilience</p> <p><b>Kasra Alavi (7N)</b></p>
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### **House Points for this week**

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Daniel Diaz-Lester	600 House Points
Oliver Benneyworth	550 House Points
Reece Williams	400 House Points
Leo Sumsion	100 House Points

### **Friday Curriculum (13/5/22)**

A ParentMail will be sent next week listing activities.