



# SUNNYDOWN SCHOOL

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has marked an important milestone for our Year 11 pupils as they have now officially begun their examinations. The atmosphere around school has been calm, focused and purposeful, and I have been incredibly proud of the maturity and resilience our young people have shown. On behalf of everyone at the school, I would like to wish all of our Year 11 pupils the very best of luck over the coming weeks. We know they will do themselves proud.

Our Year 8 pupils have also been completing their CAT4 assessments this week. These assessments help staff to better understand how pupils learn so that we can continue to provide the right support and challenge for them in the classroom. I would like to praise Year 8 for the positive attitude and effort they demonstrated throughout the process.

We were also delighted to welcome a professional school photographer into school this week. Photographs were taken of the boys during lessons and around the school community, and these images will form part of our new school website, which is currently under development. The new website will help showcase life at our school and provide parents and carers with improved access to information and updates. We look forward to sharing more details with you soon.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mr Richard Woolley - Headteacher

## **Kenley Cycle**

This week Years 7, 9, 10 and 11 have cycled around Kenley as part of our bike challenge to promote physical exercise, develop cycling skills and raise money for good causes. We have just one final event next Friday - the Year 8 cycle. Once this has been completed I will confirm distances covered but once again, a massive thank you to staff for their support, to the students for their efforts and for families who have helped - whether that be by donating or bringing in bikes or both.

Once again, this year we are fundraising for the Children's Football Alliance which celebrates the unifying power of sport and its ability to help overcome conflict and connect people, regardless of background or nationality.

Some of the collaborative work we have done with the CFA is here -

***Transforming Lives***

<https://www.childrensfootballalliance.com/football-and-peace/sunnydown-school/>

A massive thank you to those who have supported us whether that is by donating, bringing in bikes or both. The sponsorship form is attached for anyone who would like it, every donation helps.

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<p><b>Thought for the Week</b> (W/C: 4/5/26)</p> <p><b>VE Day</b></p>	<p><b>Thought for the Week</b> (W/C: 11/5/26)</p> <p><b>Mental Health Awareness Week</b></p>
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<b><u>Writer of the Week</u></b>	<p>The recipients of Writer of Week, awarded by Miss Newcombe are</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Kasra Alavi</b> <b>Ollie Taylor</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For a dedicated approach to GCSE English</i></p>
<b><u>Scientist of the Week</u></b>	<p>The recipient of Scientist of Week, awarded by Mr Cybuch is</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>James Titchner</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For improved effort and excellent test performance on Plant reproduction</i></p>
<b><u>Chef of the Week</u></b>	<p>The recipient of Chef of the Week, awarded by Mrs Hull is</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Nathan James</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For growing independence and confidence</i></p>
<b><u>Reader of the Week</u></b>	<p>The recipient of Reader of the Week, awarded by Miss Wood is</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Ethan Lyons</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For his consistent approach to reading</i></p>
<b><u>Musician of the Week</u></b>	<p>The recipients of Musician of the Week, awarded by Mr Smith are</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>George Cooke</b> <b>Thomas Copus-Fawcett</b> <b>Grayson Hanlon</b></p>
<b><u>Artist of the Week</u></b>	<p>The recipient of Artist of the Week, awarded by Mr Cousins is</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Carter Stevenson</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>For his effort and engagement with Art</i></p>

**House Points**

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Nathan James	150 House Points

**Forthcoming Events 2026**

Summer Term 2026	
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Kenley Bike Event - Year 7
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	KS4 Football
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Year 10 Careers Fair @ East Surrey College
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Kenley Bike Event - Year 8
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	KS3 Football
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Half Term

Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> - Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 10 Work Experience
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	KS3 Disco with Limpsfield Grange
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 11 Graduation
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 2026	Years 7 & 8 African Drumming Workshop
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 7 Transition Day
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	SSSSA Chess Tournament
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> - Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Year 9 Residential
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	INSET DAY
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year 10 Parents Evening
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Year 9 DTP & MEN ACWY & Year 8 HPV catch up
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2026	Sports Day
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July 2026	End of term (12.30pm finish)