



UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 7 OCTOBER

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**'Unicorn children are courageous, reflective and, above all, kind'**

**MONDAY** 8.30am Violet Class depart on their residential trip to Start Bay in Devon  
Indigo Class touch typing week – morning  
1.30pm **UV will be having their games lesson at school** and pick up will be from school, so please **DO NOT** go to Barnes Hockey Pitch  
5.00pm Parent teacher meetings for Ultra Violet Class

**TUESDAY** Indigo Class touch typing week – morning  
5.00pm Parent teacher meetings for Ultra Violet Class

**WEDNESDAY** Indigo Class touch typing week – morning

**THURSDAY** 5.00pm Parent teacher meetings for Red to Indigo Classes

**FRIDAY** Indigo Class touch typing week – morning  
9.45am Green Class to Kew Gardens  
3.30pm ETA Violet Class return from their residential trip to Devon

To book wraparound care, please click: [Richmond Rugby Club \(WAC\) Booking](#)

Breakfast club: **Run by school and NO need to book in advance**

To report a child absent, please click: [absences@unicornschooll.org.uk](mailto:absences@unicornschooll.org.uk)



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**  
**Nia (G)**



## Farmer's Market

**Monday 14 October from 8.00am  
on the forecourt**

**Coffee, pastries, fresh produce and much more!**



Calling all Unicorn School gardeners, bakers and makers! **Donations needed:**

- Jams/ chutneys/ honey
- Cakes and cookies (home-made or shop bought)
- Bread and rolls
- Home grown vegetables
- Sausage rolls
- Other baked goods
- Any other ideas welcome!

***Please put donations in the black boxes on the forecourt***



## Donations for Harvest Festival Monday 14 October



We will be asking families to donate towards a Harvest Festival collection, to send food vouchers to families who are really in need via [West London Action for Children](#) charity – a very worthwhile cause that Unicorn have supported at Harvest time for many years.

**\*\*\* BIG GIVE WILL MATCH ALL DONATIONS \*\*\***

There are 3 options to donate:

**Zettles** (debit or credit cards)

**Cash** bucket

**Bank transfer**

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| Acc Name  | The Unicorn School Ltd |
| Acc No    | 05875293               |
| Sort code | 18-00-02               |

As part of the Harvest Festival Celebrations, we are asking children to bring into school on Monday 14 October to be displayed in our Harvest Festival assembly:

**Write a Harvest Festival Poem**

**Design a Harvest Festival Picture**

**Harvest Festival Assembly will take place on Monday 14 October –  
parents are welcome to attend.**

**Second Hand Uniform Sale  
8.00am Monday 14 October  
on the Forecourt**



This is a great opportunity to donate outgrown uniform and stock-up on replacement items! Please have a sort-out; **ALL** proceeds from the sale support the School's charity fundraising.

### **Donation Instructions:-**

Duffle coats, good quality blue polos, sweatshirts, sports tracksuit bottoms, PE tops, skorts, gym shorts, trousers but please **NO** white shirts or old school sports jackets.

Please bring your uniform donations, cleaned, ironed and on a hanger by **Wednesday morning 9 October** and leave in the school office. Please do not bring donations on the day. The sale is on **Monday 14 October**.

If you have any queries, please contact Tara Carr on [tara.carr@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:tara.carr@hotmail.co.uk)



### **School Charity, Little Village, collection**

We are doing a collection for Little Village as part of their Winter Warmers campaign (scroll down for their flyer).

**There is a bin in the foyer for people to drop off donations**

They are in need of any pre-loved and good condition:

**\*coats \*pram suits \*blankets and \*boots** for children age 0-6, or anything nice and snuggly for children would be perfect!

**Orange Class** have been using drumsticks in their music lessons to practise rhythms. They have also been learning rhythm patterns and actions to go with their songs and work on their musicianship and co-ordination.



### **U11 Football tournament**

A selection of Violet and UV boys represented Unicorn in an U11 football tournament last weekend. They absolutely worked their socks off during every match and we were thrilled to find out we had scored the opening goal of the tournament!

The boys were able to score a goal in the first three matches which was fantastic considering the calibre of players they were up against. Despite the final results not going our way, the Unicorn boys played with great spirit and enthusiasm and really started to gel as a squad towards the end. Well done, Unicorn.



**Blue Class science** Blue Class enjoyed making sedimentary sandwiches as well as igneous and metamorphic rock.



**Indigo Class Science** Indigo Class enjoyed going on an Invertebrate Hunt in Kew Gardens. They made careful observations when drawing and labelling a variety of invertebrates.



**The Violet and UV boys played against Prospect House** on Monday and put in a valiant effort. The boys got back onto the coach with smiles and exciting descriptions of moments of the game which was lovely to witness. Keep up the great work!

**The Violet and UV girls played against Prospect House School** on Monday and despite only having two training sessions this half of term, the girls walked away with a draw and TWO WINS. It felt like we had won the netball world cup! Well done girls, I am super proud of you all.

**Matilda's (G) fabulous Great Fire of London model as part of their project**



**Unicorn branded long hair swimming hats are now available!**

Suitable for all hair types, including braids, pony tails and for children who prefer a slightly looser fit. Buy them directly from the school office at £8.



**Kit (B)** and his dad ran the Westminster Mile for the Ruth Strauss foundation last Saturday. Wow, well done Kit!



Young Writers' Festival Competition - Arts Richmond 2024 - age 9+ - scroll down for entry form



Please visit our website for more information and to submit your work: [ArtsRichmond.org.uk](https://ArtsRichmond.org.uk)



**Submissions close Friday 6th December 2024**

**Anthony Horowitz** writes:

I am very happy to be working with Arts Richmond and their Young Writers' Festival. I have recently moved to Richmond and love the area... in fact my recent book is set here.

More to the point, I'm always keen to encourage young people to develop their creative skills and if they're living in this area, there's plenty to inspire them. Just walking along the river, in the park or on the green, we're surrounded by history and enchantment and there are stories everywhere. Good luck. And get writing!



Arts Richmond, Room 21, ETNA Community Centre, 13 Rosslyn Road, Twickenham TW1 2AR.  
Registered Charity in England and Wales No 251359



Childs Full Name

Home Address

Telephone Number (parent)

Email parent

Date of birth

School year

School name and contact

Title of Work

Please attach this to the entrants work. The entries must be in typed format, handwritten pieces will be disqualified. By completing this form I confirm this is my own/child's work.

Names or contact details must **not** be entered on the work itself.

If emailing please send to [YWentries@artsrichmond.org.uk](mailto:YWentries@artsrichmond.org.uk)

For full details and rules please go to [www.artsrichmond.org.uk](http://www.artsrichmond.org.uk)

Disclaimer -Arts Richmond do not check for plagiarism, so the responsibility lies with the entrant, parents, carers and schools to do so. Plagiarism is the use of another's work, words, or ideas with attribution and is illegal if it infringes an author's intellectual property rights, including copyright or trademark. There are many – Free Online Plagiarism Checkers and entrants, parents, carers and schools are encouraged to use them before submitting their written piece.

# WINTER WARMERS COLLECTION

Over  
**70%**

of the families we support are  
worried about being able to  
afford warm clothes for their  
children this winter.



**Please donate the following  
items for 0-6 year olds:**

- Coats and pramsuits
- Warm blankets
- Boots and weatherproof shoes

**You can donate your items at the  
special Little Village collection  
point. They will then be collected,  
sorted and passed on to a new  
family. Please ensure that your  
donations are in great condition.**

"They say it takes a village,  
this is ours. Thank you for  
the coats, boots and  
blankets. It helps little feet  
go further and longer in  
the warmest way. It helps  
those struggling to  
breathe (feel) a  
little lighter."

*Teesha, a mum we supported*



# Unicorn Sport week beginning 7 October

## For Directions to Sporting Venues

[Directions to Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Drive, Chiswick, W4 2SH](#)

[Directions to Old Deer Park \(London Welsh\), TW9 2HN](#)

| Date             | Sports information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   | Parents information                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| Mon 7 October    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>UV Games lesson</b><br/>13:30 – 15:00</li> </ul> <p>Games address: Unicorn School</p>                                                                                                                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>UV to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL:</b> trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, <b>FULL</b> Unicorn tracksuit, <b>SHIN PADS</b> and water bottle.</li> <li>• <b>CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHIN PADS.</b></li> <li>• <b>UV</b> parents to collect their child from school at 15:35.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Tues 8 October   | <p><b>SWIM SQUAD FOR INDIGO and UV</b><br/>15:45 – 16:30<br/>Pools on the Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Swimming lessons for <b>ORANGE CLASS</b> 14:00 – 15:00</li> </ul>                                                        | <p><b>SWIM SQUAD:</b> Parents to collect their child from Pools on the Park at 16:30.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Wed 9 October    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Swimming lessons for <b>INDIGO CLASS</b> 14:00 – 15:00</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Thurs 10 October | <p><b>SQUAD for Blue, Indigo and UV</b><br/>15:30 – 16:30</p> <p>Squad address: Old Deer Park (London Welsh), Kew Rd, Richmond TW9 2AZ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Swimming lessons for <b>GREEN CLASS</b> 14:00 – 15:00</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>SQUAD</b> - Parents to collect their child at 16:30 from Old Deer Park or back at school at 16:45.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| Fri 11 October   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ Swimming lesson for <b>UV</b> 09:00 – 10:00</li> <li>• <b>Green, Blue and Indigo Games lesson</b> 13:30 – 14:50</li> </ul> <p>Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p> | <p><b>UV</b> parents to drop their child to Pools on the Park at 08:45. If unable to, please email Mrs Young the day before (Barbara.young@unicornschoo l.org.uk)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Green, Blue and Indigo to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL:</b> trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, <b>FULL</b> Unicorn tracksuit, <b>SHIN PADS</b> and water bottle.</li> <li>• <b>CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHIN PADS.</b></li> <li>• <b>Green, Blue and Indigo</b> parents to collect children from school as normal at 15:35 or from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 14:50</li> </ul> |

# Lunch Menu

Week commencing 7 October

|                   | MONDAY                                                       | TUESDAY                                                              | WEDNESDAY                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | THURSDAY                                                      | FRIDAY                                                                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Morning Break     | Seeded flapjack<br>(G)                                       | Chocolate and coconut<br>Energy balls                                | Crudites carrot, cucumber,<br>Peppers and rice cake                                                                                                                                                                                  | Orange cake bites<br>(G, E)                                   | Mini cheese and ham<br>Parcels (G, D)                                 |
| Mains             | Beef meatballs in a<br>Cherry tomato and basil<br>Sauce (G)  | BBQ pulled pork with<br>Roasted peppers                              | WORLD FOOD WEDNESDAY<br><br>India Theme Day<br>Chicken korma (M)<br>Potato, spinach and<br>Lentil curry (M)<br>Steamed rice, lime pickle<br>Mango chutney<br>Kachumber salad<br>Roasted cauliflower<br>Mini poppadoms<br>+ Salad bar | Haddock fishfingers<br>(F, G)                                 | Salt and pepper chicken<br>Stir fry (S)                               |
| Vegetarian Option | Potato gnocchi and<br>Butterbean in green<br>Pesto sauce (D) | Three cheese and<br>Chive quiche<br>(G, E, D)                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Mixed beans stuffed<br>Sweet pepper                           | Garlic tofu, broccoli<br>And mushroom stir fry                        |
| Sides             | Penne pasta (G)<br>Curly kale<br>Runner beans<br>+ Salad bar | Baby new potatoes<br>Corn on the cob<br>Savoy cabbage<br>+ Salad bar |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Chips<br>Minted peas<br>Baked beans<br>+ Salad bar            | Egg fried rice (E)<br>Stir fry vegetables<br>Sweetcorn<br>+ Salad bar |
| Dessert           | Coconut and cherry cake<br>(G)<br>+ fresh fruit              | Fresh fruit salad<br>+ fresh fruit                                   | Mixed berry cheesecake<br>(G, D)<br>+ fresh fruit                                                                                                                                                                                    | Bread and butter pudding<br>With custard (G)<br>+ fresh fruit | Mixed very berry cake<br>(G)<br>+ fresh fruit                         |

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite