



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@unicornschoo.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
- Sausage rolls
- Cakes and cookies (home-made or shop bought)
- Other baked goods
- Bread and rolls
- Any other ideas welcome!
- Home grown vegetables

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

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



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 snugly 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



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

For full details and rules please go to 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



**Baby things,
big impact.**

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
Mon 7 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UV Games lesson 13:30 – 15:00 <p>Games address: Unicorn School</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UV to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL: trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, FULL Unicorn tracksuit, SHIN PADS and water bottle. • CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHIN PADS. • UV parents to collect their child from school at 15:35.
Tues 8 October	<p>SWIM SQUAD FOR INDIGO and UV 15:45 – 16:30 Pools on the Park</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Swimming lessons for ORANGE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00 	<p>SWIM SQUAD: Parents to collect their child from Pools on the Park at 16:30.</p>
Wed 9 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00 	
Thurs 10 October	<p>SQUAD for Blue, Indigo and UV 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"> ❖ Swimming lessons for GREEN CLASS 14:00 – 15:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SQUAD - Parents to collect their child at 16:30 from Old Deer Park or back at school at 16:45.
Fri 11 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Swimming lesson for UV 09:00 – 10:00 • Green, Blue and Indigo Games lesson 13:30 – 14:50 <p>Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p>	<p>UV 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"> • Green, Blue and Indigo to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL: trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, FULL Unicorn tracksuit, SHIN PADS and water bottle. • CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHIN PADS. • Green, Blue and Indigo parents to collect children from school as normal at 15:35 or from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 14:50

Lunch Menu

Week commencing 7 October

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

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite