



UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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MRS FRALEY'S END OF TERM NEWSLETTER AND DIARY DATES FOR THE 1ST FEW DAYS OF SPRING TERM

Dear Parents Friday 13 December

There has been lots of fun and excitement in the lead up to the end of the term as the children take part in the productions, concerts, go to the cinema and have their parties, which are no small mean feats of organisation by the parents!

Both our Christmas productions were truly memorable; Red and Orange Classes' Nativity 'The Big, Big Story' and, Yellow and Green's 'A Miracle in Town' were full of vibrant singing, acting, costumes, music and many memorable moments. All the children should be very proud of the hard work they've put in for these productions and my thanks go to the whole team of staff, parents and children.

Yellow and Green's A Miracle in Town















Red and Orange's The Big, Big Story



Miss Gresson, Head of Music, has been a tour de force with both the Christmas productions and of course the wonderful Junior Christmas concert at St Anne's Church on Kew Green. Congratulations to all the Juniors for singing so beautifully and for the musical ensembles and of course Ultra Violet for speaking their parts so confidently and clearly. Violet and UV sang at Kew Sparkle and also to the Cecil Court Care Home residents, who loved their visit.

Mrs Young and Mr Gough have had a great term in sport; our netballers and footballers have enjoyed playing in many matches and tournaments.



Art and DT continue to flourish and this year all the classes had great, arty fun in our annual Big Draw, with the theme of 'Drawing in Motion'. The classes looked at the work of the designer Josef Frank, and worked in groups to create these pieces. All the designs will be incorporated into the playground mural that the children be painting later in the year.



UV deserve to be very proud of themselves as they have approached the 11+ season with a calm and mature approach with the final exam being sat today!

Party Day was wonderful and while 'The Gingerbread Man' was entertaining the Infants, the Juniors walked down to the Curzon Cinema in Richmond to watch The Grinch. As usual, Unicorn families showed amazing charity by dropping off presents and donating to West London Action for Children, to be distributed to local families in need this Christmas. Below are a few photographs from Party Day and the spectacular transformations of classrooms, with a little taster from UV's Alice in Wonderland'. Mr Gladstone made a wonderful White Rabbit, Janna (Blake) a fabulous Alice and all the children dressed as amazing Mad Hatters. Special thanks and a serious top hats off to Lindsey (Olivia), Janna (Blake), Stephanie (Tom), Chrissy (Dexter), Bryony (Inigo) and all the UV parents who came in and totally transformed the classroom into a delicious Mad Hatters Tea Party!





I have thoroughly enjoyed our School Council meetings where Wynnie and Dexter as Head Girl and Head Boy respectively and all the members of the Council: Noah, Ember, Ollie, Lola, Skye, Noa and Sophie have come up with lots of great ideas. Thanks also to our sports captains: Ava and Inigo; our music captains, Sophia and Blake; our efficient eco warriors: Eve, Henry, Poppy, Leon, Ava, Teo, Audrey, Max, Solomiia, Hugo, Eniola and Poyraz; our junior librarians: Rani, Andy, Benjamin and Holly, and of course, the children with the best job, our smiley people: Loveday, Tom, Elodi, Luka T, Esme, Tymofii, Maya, Siddharth, Celeste, Leon, Alice and Lara. Thank you all for your fun and hard work.



Our heartfelt thanks go to School Committee and the class reps for helping in so many ways and in particular Trudi Heath for masterminding the Christmas Fair. Together, their hard work and organisational skills are to be commended and in one term alone, we have enjoyed the Farmer's Market, Harvest Festival, 2nd Hand Uniform Sale, One Tree Day, various cake sales. Northbrook Wrapping Paper and a very successful Christmas Fair,



raising a very impressive £6,286 in total, which will be shared between our charities, Little Village, The Children's Trust and the School Bursary Fund.

It now only leaves me to thank all the staff and pupils for their hard work and making Unicorn such a special place.

I wish you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy, healthy and peaceful New Year.

Polly Fraley Headteacher

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TO ALL THE CHILDREN WHO CELEBRATE THEIR BIRTHDAY OVER THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY:

Archie (UV), Oliver (I), Albi (R), Harri (B), Rory (B), Alessandra (R), Dylan (R), Rumi (Y), Bowen (B), Alec (R), Luka K (V) and Luka (O)

House Points scores on the end of term doors; Congratulations to Griffin.

Griffin	Phoenix	Centaur	Pegasus
1625	1268	1506	1557

Diary Dates for the first few days of Spring Term

Wed 8 Jan 08:20 Spring Term Begins

07:30 - 08:20 Breakfast Club begins 08:45 - 09:15 Whole School Assembly

14:00 - 15:00 Swimming for Blue/Indigo Classes begins (alternate weeks - starting with

Blue Class)

15:15 - 18:00 Wraparound Care begins

Thurs 9 Jan 09:30 - 11:30 Forest School (Group 1)

12:45 - 13:15 Tutti Fluti begins 13:30 - 14:50 Junior *Clubs* begin

14:00 - 15:00 Swimming for Yellow/Green Classes begins (alternate weeks - starting

Yellow class)

15:00 - 16:45 Squad (Green to Ultra Violet Classes) at Old Deer Park (London Welsh),

Kew Road, TW9 2AZ. Parents to collect from pitch at 16:30 or back at school at 16:45

Fri 10 Jan 9:00 - 10:00 Swimming for Violet/Ultra Violet Classes begins (alternate weeks -

starting Violet Class)

13:30 - 15:35 Green, Blue and Indigo Classes games lesson at Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan

Mason Drive, Chiswick W4 2SH - parents to collect from pitch at 14:50 or back at

school at 15:25 (Green) or 15:35 (Blue and Indigo Classes)

15:45 - 16:45 Musical Theatre begins

Mon 13 Jan Drum lessons with Mr Allen begins

Violin lessons with Mrs Willescroft begin

07.50 - 8.20 Orchestra begins 7.50 - 8.20 Rock Band begins

08:45 - 09:10 Whole School Assembly

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school at 15:35

15:45 - 16:30 Unicorn Singers (Blue to Ultra Violet Classes) begins

15:45 - 16:45 Little Voices begins

15:45 - 16:45 Virtual Reality begins

19:00 - 19:30 Violet Class Secondary School Entrants Briefing via ZOOM



PARTY DAY!





Merry Christmas!