

UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 9 DECEMBER

AUTUMN TERM 2024

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

MONDAY 10:30am Red and Orange Class' Christmas performance to the school

TUESDAY **6.30pm Junior Carol Concert** at St Anne's Church, Kew – everyone is welcome

WEDNESDAY **Christmas Jumper Day**
8.45am Red and Orange Class' Christmas performance to parents
Christmas lunch
1.30pm Violet and UV carol singing at Cecil Court Care Home

THURSDAY **PARTY DAY!**
9.30am Infant show in the hall – The Gingerbread Man
10.00am Juniors to the Curzon Cinema in Richmond to watch The Grinch
2.15pm School finishes for Infants
2.30pm School finishes for Juniors
NO After School Clubs or After School Wrap Around Care

FRIDAY 10.45am Prize Giving Assembly
11.50am Red and Orange Classes pick up
12.00pm Yellow and Green Classes pick up
12.10pm Blue – UV Classes pick up
School's out for Christmas!

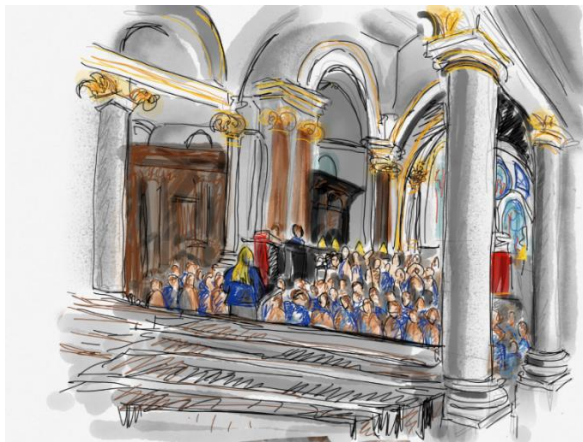
To book wraparound care, please click: [Richmond Rugby Club \(WAC\) Booking](#)

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

To report a child absent, please click: absences@unicornschooll.org.uk



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Arthur (G) and Yura (O)



You are all welcome to attend the

Junior Carol Concert

Tuesday 10 December

6.30pm

St Anne's Church, Kew

SECRET SANTA GIFT DONATIONS



In keep with tradition at Unicorn, we encourage children to bring in a gift on Party Day, for a child less fortunate than themselves at Christmas time.

The gifts are donated to [West London Action for Children](#), a local charity that provides an invaluable service for families in need in the wide West London area.

The gift should be new and appropriate for any age child (0 - 18 years), ideally wrapped with a label to indicate age suitability; please drop them into the School Office. **The Charity say they are often short of gifts for teens and that vouchers are great for this age group (WH Smiths, Boots, Superdrug, etc) but any gift is much appreciated.**

If you would find it easier to make a donation, you will be able to do so via Zettle in the School office.

Christmas Fair raises a whopping £5,995!

Thank you to everybody who turned out cupboards, brought, wrapped ... and bought! This year's Christmas Fair proved another huge success and raised an amazing £5,995 for charity. There were lots of stalls and children's activities along with some yummy food and drink! A special thank you to Crispin [Ember (V)] who donated all proceeds from his taco food stall 'Taco El Unicornio!' where he and two of his chefs were cooking. If you fancy going to one of his restaurants, there's Barrafina (modern Spanish tapas) or Taco El Pastor, both being in various spots in London. All monies raised will be split between our charities, Little Village, The Children's Trust and the school fund. Special thanks to Trudi [Matilda (G)], Sophie [Charlie (V) and Harry (G)], Caleb [Amalia (B) and Freya (Y)], Tara [Bo (V)] and all the reps for their sterling contribution.





Yellow and Green Class' brilliant nativity in photos





Last call for trophies please Ahead of **Prize Giving Assembly** at 10.45am on Friday 13 December, could you please ensure that all cups and trophies that were awarded at the end of the Summer Term are returned to the school office (cleaned and polished) by **Monday 9 December**.

National Finland Day

We celebrated national Finland day in Red and Orange Class today. Thank you Aava (O) and Matilde (R). Welcome also to our new Finnish family to Unicorn with Angelina in Red Class.



Colouring Corner in the playground

We have a new creative area in the playground for those who would like a quieter and more relaxing playtime.



Navy blue jacket lost at the Christmas Fair with keys in the pocket. If you inadvertently picked it up, please could you drop it back into the school office. Thank you.



Posting your Christmas cards

Please remind your children to write their Christmas cards to their friends at school if they want to.

The Christmas post box is on the cupboard in the foyer and the UV elves will distribute all cards during the last week of term.

Cookery Club with Chef Sergio in their new "star baker" aprons assembling their gingerbread houses

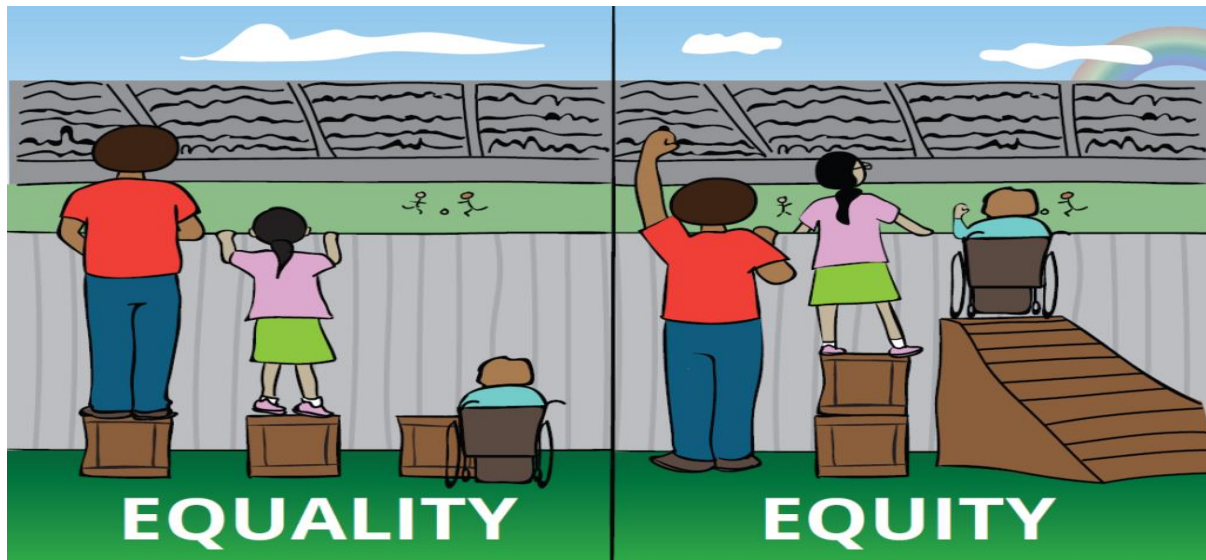


Congratulations to Oliver (I) who was awarded star pupil in Karate this term.



Thank you to Maddie (V) for bringing in your books from home about famous scientists. We loved talking about their discoveries as well as learning interesting facts about them.





Let's make sure ALL children enjoy
the parties next Thursday!

1. Keep the noise/excitement levels controlled (no loud music and no screaming).
2. Include movement breaks, walk around playground etc.
3. Children to bring ear defenders if they need them.
4. If a child is experiencing sensory overload, take them to the 'quiet zone' (adult MUST take them to the music pod where Mrs Oulton will oversee them for sensory play).

THANK YOU - From the EDI parent/staff team





Blue Class Festive Sewing

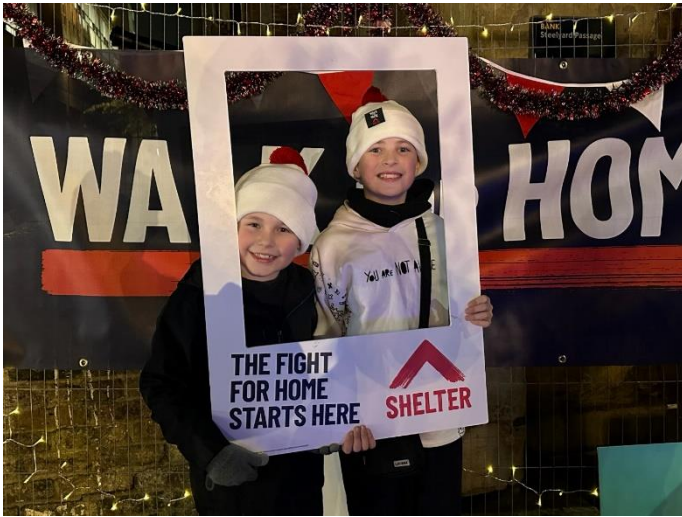
In art Blue class have enjoyed creating wonderfully festive Christmas tree embroidery!



Indigo Class have had great fun sewing festive Christmas owls!



10K charity walk for SHELTER - They did it!



On Tuesday evening, Henry (UV) and Oliver (I) together with Mum and Dad completed a 10k walk to raise monies for SHELTER. The Baileys are very grateful to all those who generously donated. To date, they have raised an amazing **£590!**

If you would like to show your support for SHELTER, you can still make a donation via their JustGiving page:

<https://walkforhome.shelter.org.uk/fundraising/simonbailey-67309ab0851d8b3d53ec4b00>



Dear Polly, Susie, Cindy, and all the pupils, parents and staff at the Unicorn School

West London Action for Children would like to thank you for your generous support through the Big Give Christmas Challenge 2024 match-funding campaign.

Your kind donation allows WLAC to continue offering free specialist counselling and therapy services, supporting families to take positive steps towards a brighter future

Our heartfelt thanks

 FROM EVERYONE AT 
WEST LONDON ACTION FOR CHILDREN

This is a lovely Christmas concert for all the family
Sunday 15 December at 5.00pm, St Pauls Church, Grove Park Rd, Chiswick

Ms Timpson (drama and flute) is reading pieces and poems in between delightful festive ballet music from this fabulous orchestra, with carols, dancing and songs from a children's choir.



KEW SINFONIA
WITH
BRENTFORD SCHOOL FOR GIRLS SINGERS
CHARITY CHRISTMAS
CONCERT
IN AID OF REFUGEES WELCOME HOUNSLOW
Sunday 15 December 2024, 5pm
St Paul's Church, Grove Park, Chiswick W4 3SD

Daniel Hogan	Conductor
Catherine Schofield	Leader
Rosie Timpson	Narrator
Kate Martin	Choir Director

Selection of festive music from
Tchaikovsky **Nutcracker** • Delibes **Coppelia**
Prokofiev **Cinderella** • Offenbach **Tales of Hoffmann**
Rimsky-Korsakov **Snow Maiden** • Anderson **Sleigh Ride**
with Christmas Carols & Readings

www.kewsinfonia.org.uk

Tickets: ticketsource.co.uk Adults £15 - Students £10 - Under 14s £5
Kew Sinfonia Charity # 1107976 Refugees Welcome Hounslow Charity # 1202634



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They very kindly donated the below bike as a raffle prize
at the Christmas Fair.



Unicorn Sport week beginning 9 December

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 9 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet and UV Games lesson 13:30 – 15:00 <p>Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet and 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 AND A JACKET. <p>Violet and UV parents to collect their child from school at 15:35 OR from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 15:00.</p>
Tues 10 December	<p>NO SWIM SQUAD AFTER SCHOOL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Swimming lessons for ORANGE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Orange parents are invited to watch this lesson – please see Mrs Maher's email.
Wed 11 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00 	
Thurs 12 December	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ NO SWIMMING ❖ NO AFTER SCHOOL SQUAD 	
Fri 13 December		

Lunch Menu

Week commencing 9 December

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	American pancake (G)	Cheese and crackers (G, D)	Chocolate chip cookies (G, E, S, D)	Flapjack (G)	Waffles (E, G, S)
Mains	Slow cooked Chile con carne	Vegetarian meatballs in a Cherry tomato and Basil sauce	CHRISTMAS LUNCH	PARTY DAY	
Vegetarian Option	Mixed bean chilli	Potato gnocchi in a Green pesto sauce (D, G)	Roast turkey Garlic roast potatoes Parsnips, carrots Braised cabbage Sage and onion stuffing Yorkshire puddings	Selection of sandwiches Cheese (D) Ham Sushi (G, E, M, S) Orange juice Sausage rolls (M, G) Vegan sausage rolls (G)	SCHOOL'S OUT FOR CHRISTMAS!
Sides	Steamed rice Tortilla chips, guacamole Soured cream + Salad bar	Baby new potatoes Corn on the cob Savoy cabbage + Salad bar	Vegan nutless roast + Salad bar	+ Salad bar	
Dessert	Chocolate mousse (D) + fresh fruit	Fresh fruit salad + fresh fruit	Warm chocolate brownie + fresh fruit	Coconut & strawberry cake (G, E) + fresh fruit	

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite