

UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 5 MAY

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'We are courageous, reflective and, above all, kind'

MONDAY Bank Holiday

TUESDAY 10.00am UV to Kew Gardens – Science lesson

WEDNESDAY 8.45am Whole School Assembly introducing Head Boy, Head Girl, School Council, UV Sports Captains, UV Music Captains, Junior Librarians, Smiley People and Eco Warriors – parents of those children are welcome to attend
9.00am Hampton School Maths Quiz – selected children from Violet are attending

THURSDAY **VE Day – 80th anniversary** – children are welcome to come in dressed in Red, White or Blue ... or a mix of all or in 1940s style. There will be a celebratory lunch and fun VE Day related activities for the children
Duckling eggs and incubator arrive in Orange Class!
8.45am Whole school assembly for VE Day

FRIDAY 9.30am **NO** Little Unicorns Playgroup
9.30am Open Day for prospective parents – if you know anyone who is looking for a nursery/reception school place, please recommend they book a place to attend by either calling or emailing Cindy (registrar@unicornschoo.org.uk)
5.00pm – 7.00pm Cinema Night for Juniors – scroll down for more details

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:
Hugo (G), Elodie (V) and Freya (Y)



Unicorn's Future Schools Evening – Tuesday 13 May, 6.00 – 7.30pm
School Hall – Attendance is highly recommended

We have run many of these popular forums which parents over all year groups have found very informative. Each head will talk for approx. 5 mins with an open Q&A session at the end.

Everyone is welcome come along to listen to this panel of senior school heads talk

Please rsvp lisa.jones@unicornschoo.org.uk so we have an idea of numbers

6.00pm drinks and canapés will be served and the following
senior school Heads will **start their talks at 6.30pm**

Francis Holland (*Girls*)
Ibstock Place (*Co Ed*)
St James Boys' (*Boys*)
St John's Leatherhead (*Co Ed / Boarding*)
Thomas's College (*Co Ed*)

Alexandra Haydon, Headmistress
Chris Wolsey, Headmaster
Rick Clarke, Headmaster
Ben Peart, Asst Head Boarding & Pastoral
Will le Fleming, Headmaster

Congratulations to the following children who have been elected as this term's School Council, Head Boy and Girl, Sports Captains, Music Captains, Smiley People, Junior Librarians and Eco Warriors.

School Council

Ava (Head Girl) and Archie (Head Boy)
Rani and Charlie (V)
Red (I) Jack (B)
Reyaan (G) Jessica (Y)

Eco Warriors

Lila and Dexter (UV)
Elodie and Benjamin (V)
Caitlyn and Tymofii (I)
Fordy and Jamie (B)
Noah and Arthur (G)
Ammaara and Ava (Y)

Violet Class Junior Librarians

Bo, Millie, Poppy and Julia

Smiley People

Addie and Blake (UV)
Ember and Andy (V)
Alice and Nathan (I)
Bea and William (B)
Gemma and Kit (G)
Savannagh and Sophia (Y)

Music Captains

Gigi and Loveday (UV)

UV Sports Captains

Olivia and Tiam (UV)

VE Day Celebrations Request - Newspapers needed

If anyone has newspapers at home, please could you bring them in by Wednesday latest so that we can use them to make hats on VE Day (as was done in 1945). No magazines please. Many thanks.



Orange Class did some very important work this week. They went litter picking both in school and around our local area.

The children found so much rubbish from little bits of paper to plastic cups and even an empty box of M&S chocolate eclairs!

They chatted to our neighbours who thanked the children for cleaning up. We've decided that we'll make it a biweekly job. What fantastic little environmentalists.



UV's Bikeability week Richmond Bikeability took UV out on the roads all week for cycle training and reported back that all had made great progress and for you to keep practising!



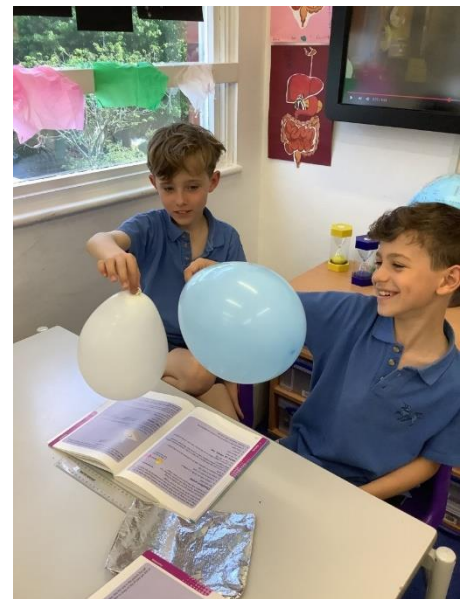
Children's Day in Turkey and Cyprus

Thank you to Deniz, Poyraz and Lara's mothers who visited Yellow Class to share lots of interesting facts about Turkey and Cyprus. The children learnt about Children's Day which is celebrated every year on 23rd April. They got to dress up, try different foods and see the beautiful animals and landscapes that are found there. It was wonderful to hear the four Turkish children in Yellow Class proudly talking about their experiences in Turkey and Cyprus.



Indigo Science Indigo Class learnt that static electricity stays still unless it becomes possible for it to jump from one place to another. This is when the surfaces have become charged with static electricity. The two types of static charge (positive and negative) behave like magnets. A positive charge and negative charge attract each other and two positive or two negative charges will repel each other. We used this fact to get a tissue paper shape/character to stand up with static electricity.

Indigo then went on to repel two balloons, bend water and make crazy hair! Finally, we learnt about Robert Van der Graaf and the invention of his generator, that can make a bigger static charge than rubbing a balloon. We especially loved watching the clip from Paddington 2 when he touched one of these in Mr Gruber's shop!



Beautiful day for Running Club this week with Mrs Fraley

Open to the juniors, every Wednesday during the Summer term. Meet 7.30am prompt at Pools on the Park.



Congratulations to our amazing Head of Games, Mrs Young, who ran the London Marathon last Sunday in support of The Children's Trust, supporting children with brain injury and neurodisability. Mrs Young completed the marathon in a speedy 4 hours and 39 minutes and attained PBs in her 5K, 10K, half marathon and marathon at the same time! We are so proud of her. Congrats also to Lola, Kit and Lockie's dad who completed the marathon in an amazing 3 hours 11 minutes!



If you would like to sponsor Mrs Young and donate to this wonderful charity, please click on the following link: [donate for Mrs Young - Children's Trust](#)

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE

Unicorn Parent Social

◆ Friday 16th May 7pm - Late ◆

Drinks, BBQ, Pudding Auction & Quiz by
our very own hilarious Tara Carr and
Henry Fleet!

Plus entertainment by the amazingly talented
Piano Animal!

£45 per ticket, please sign up to a table in the
office ASAP (payment via Zettle) or be a very
disappointed Unicorn!

Cinema night for Blue - UV Classes - Friday 9 May - 5.00 - 7.00pm

£5 per child will be added to the parent bill of Blue to UV classes unless you email Susie Unsworth on susie.unsworth@unicornschoool.org.uk or Kevin Guy on kevin.guy@unicornschoool.org.uk to opt out.



Unicorn Sport week beginning 5 May

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 5 May	BANK HOLIDAY	BANK HOLIDAY
Tues 6 May	Swim Squad (selected pupils only) 15:45 – 16:30 Pools on the Park Swimming lessons for ORANGE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	Parents to collect children from Pools on the Park at 16:30.
Wed 7 May	7.30am (prompt) Running Club with Mrs Fraley – meet Pools on the Park Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	
Thurs 8 May	Squad for Blue - UV Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:45 – 16:15 Swimming lessons for GREEN CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	Parents to collect their child from London Welsh at 16:15 or back at school at 16:30.
Fri 9 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming lesson for VIOLET CLASS <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents to drop children to the pool for 08:45 Green, Blue and Indigo Games lesson @ Barnes Hokey Pitch 13:45 – 14:50 <p>Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Green, Blue and Indigo to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL: trainers, short white socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, FULL Unicorn tracksuit, SUN HAT, SUN CREAM and water bottle. 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 5 May

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break					
Mains					
Vegetarian Option					
Sides					
Dessert					

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite