



UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 16 JUNE

SUMMER TERM 2025

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

MONDAY 9.15am Going up morning – Red to Violet classes visit their soon to be new classrooms and teachers
2.30pm Violet and UV boys' and girls' cricket match v Old Vicarage School – Old Deer Park (behind Pools on the Park)

TUESDAY 8.30am Green Class to visit Sayers Croft

WEDNESDAY 8.45am Refuge week junior assembly. A speaker from West London Welcome will be talking to the children – parents are welcome to attend
9.00am Red and Orange Classes to visit Bocketts Farm
9.00am Yellow Class to visit Legoland

THURSDAY 9.00am Sing up day filming – Orange to UV Classes

FRIDAY 3.45pm **NO** School of Comedy

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:
Jamie (B) and Jesper (O)



Our Blue and Indigo Crofters return!

Blue and Indigo Classes had a fantastic residential trip to Sayers Croft this week having lots of fun doing activities and making unforgettable memories. Upon arrival, we were greeted by the friendly staff who welcomed us warmly and showed us to our dormitories, where we made our own beds!

From woodland ropes and stream walking to the challenge course, bouldering and caving, our young crofters embraced every moment. No Sayers Croft trip is complete without some traditional campfire fun, which we had huge amounts of; singing our hearts out to classic tunes and toasting marshmallows to perfection. Our thanks go to the staff at Sayers Croft and to our own Mr Gough, Mrs Young, Miss Oulton, Miss O'Gorman and Mrs Chalong for looking after the children.





I felt nervous but also excited because I knew that it would be fun and I wouldn't have to eat the meatballs that my dad makes on a Monday ... shhhhhh! Sabine (B)



"It is a great place, you even get to buy sweets and bracelets and get to share a room with your friends. I recommend it there. Maybe you should not talk about it because then your family might miss you."
Harri (B)



"The night before I was excited, but I also felt a bit nervous because I thought it would be really long and not fun and I thought I would feel homesick, but it was fun and exciting and there were so many activities" Maya (B)

UV's Leavers' Musical 'Olivia!' – all parents are welcome to attend – the more the merrier! Tuesday 24 or Wednesday 25 June at 6.00pm

UV have been working hard on their Leavers Musical, 'Olivia!' which is a big mix up of lots of Victorian characters and storylines with some great music thrown in (and a few jokes for good measure!).

Years ago, the UV play was open to everyone to come and watch and then Covid happened ... we got out of the habit of supporting our lovely Year 6 children by the wider community. We would love it if you would come and watch our show! It's going to be fabulous with the choreography and music done by Miss Gresson, the art and props done by Mrs Daw, parents and UV Class and Miss Botes rallying the troops together. We even have Violet Class lending their voices to our chorus.

You are warmly invited to come to one of our performances at 6.00pm on the Tuesday 24 and Wednesday 25 June in the school hall. It's a lovely way of seeing how our children start off as Red Class and through all the wonderful things they do over the years, transition into confident, fun loving performers ready to take on the challenges of secondary school in September.

Look forward to seeing many of you there!

School Council's visit to the Children's Trust Charity School council visited Tadworth Surrey on Thursday to see first-hand the work of the Children's Trust, one of our charities this year. We heard all about how they support children with brain injuries. It was amazing to see the sort of equipment they have, the therapies they can offer, and the services they provide for children and their families. We also supported some of the children in their sponsored run around the beautiful grounds. Thank you to Izzy Judd and Trudi Heath for supporting the trip.





We are in desperate need of the following donations for the fair!

- Coloured paper
- Children's books
- Toys (in good condition as they are tombola prizes) including things like small toys ie. brain teasers, mini puzzles, finger puppets, fidget toys, mini travel/pocket games etc. Medium toys like arts and craft kits, storybooks, mini globes, travel themed toys, dress up accessories (like masks or hats etc), play doh kits, musical toys etc. Larger toys like pretend play, science kits, lego sets, soft toys etc. also any toys
- Chocolates (NO NUTS!)
- Small treats /sweets

There are black boxes on the forecourt.

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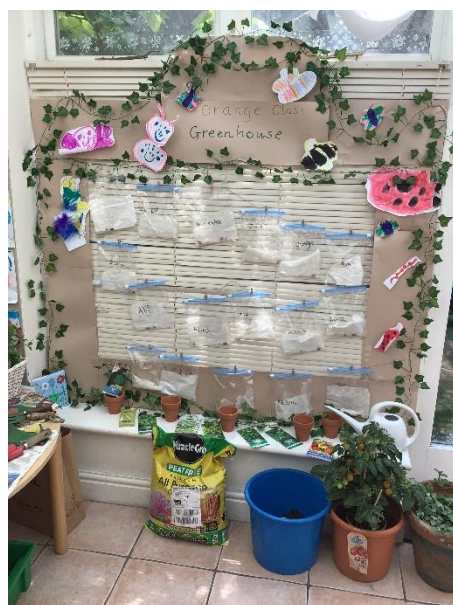
Calling all musicians, bands and budding comedians, we will be running a buskers' corner at the summer fair! Start practising now, sign-up sheet will be in the front office next week to book a slot, or drop Bryony (UV) a message. Very low key so, do encourage the kids to have a go!



Orange Class' 'Growing and Changing' topic

To enrich our 'Growing and Changing' topic, we've set up a greenhouse in our role-play area! We've planted 3 types of seeds, cress, French beans, and nasturtiums, and are eagerly awaiting their germination.

A kaleidoscope of butterflies flew in to see what was going on! What a fun topic 🦋🌻



Violet Class Science - Elephant's Toothpaste experiment Violet Class carried out the Elephant's Toothpaste experiment by mixing yeast and warm water with hydrogen peroxide, washing-up liquid, and food colouring. When the yeast was added, the mixture foamed up and overflowed, resembling toothpaste being squeezed from a giant tube.

This dramatic reaction showed that a chemical change had occurred. A new substance (foam) was created, and the bottle became warm, indicating an exothermic reaction. The yeast helped break down the hydrogen peroxide, releasing oxygen gas, which got trapped in the soap to form foam.

The children recorded the experiment using iPads and reviewed the footage in slow motion. They concluded that this was an irreversible change, as the original materials could not be separated again.



This week's riding club





**The Unicorn Summer Festival will soon
be here (21 June) and we will be
celebrating everything that is so
special about our Unicorn Community.**

**So, we would like the children
to be involved with decorating the school!**

It would be great if the children could make lots of colourful Pom-Poms.

Here's a link on how to make them if you are not sure.
<https://blog.treasure.com/how-to-make-cardboard-pom-poms/>

And if Pom-Pom making is not your thing, maybe you can make some colourful
string balls.

<https://www.nobiggie.net/diy-yarnballs/>

Black bins will be out the front to collect all your colourful creations!



Camp Beaumont - Summer Camp - Flash Sale
Book between Monday 9 to Sunday 15 June

We are excited to announce a special summer holiday offer in collaboration with our partners at Camp Beaumont. From **Monday 9 June to Sunday 15 June (11.59pm)**, they are offering a flash sale with great prices for your childcare provision this summer.

With prices as low as £42.50 per day when you book the entire week or £47.50 for individual days, that's 30% off the on-the-day price! Please ensure that you quote your host school discount code at checkout (**UNICORN25**) and receive **a further 10% off these prices!**

Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity and secure your place now on www.campbeaumont.co.uk



The advertisement features a bright orange background. In the top right corner is the Camp Beaumont logo, which includes a stylized sun icon above the text "Camp Beaumont". On the left side, there is a large pink starburst shape containing the text "FLASH SALE!" in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this, there is a teal circle containing the text "30% OFF!" in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters. In the bottom left corner, a pink rectangular box contains the text "Book summer for just £47.50 per day." in white, bold, sans-serif font. On the right side of the image, a young boy with curly brown hair is shown from the waist up, wearing a dark blue and grey patterned sweater. He is holding a yellow juggling club with a green ball on it, and he is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile.

The Front Door Older Adults (Frailty) Team at St Mary's Hospital where Claire (and Simon) Peake works are running a 10K to raise funds for their Unit.

The Frailty service looks after older adults with complex medical, social and psychiatric issues for the first 1-2 days of their attendance at A&E - with the focus being to restore health and safe function as quickly as possible by offering whole-person holistic care from the moment they arrive.

The team are raising money for vital equipment that would improve the quality of care including a bladder scanning device, personal oxygen saturation monitors and, even pillows!



Imperial College Healthcare
NHS Trust

Imperial Front Door Team running 10 km for Imperial Health Charity



The Imperial Front Door team is lacing up their running shoes for a 10K challenge on July 13th! Every pound raised will go to Imperial Health Charity, helping improve patient journeys at Imperial hospitals. Support us and make a difference – donate today!

[To donate click here!](https://www.justgiving.com/team/icht-frontdoor-team)

Or just enter the following into your browser

<https://www.justgiving.com/team/icht-frontdoor-team>



2025 Front Door Team
10km run for



HELPING
OUR HOSPITALS
DO MORE

Contact: Nicola Crossey, Clinical Lead for OT and PT- Acute and Emergency Medicine



Summer Holiday Course
2025 at Richmond College
23/24th July 2025
10 am – 12 pm

Touch typing holiday and weekend courses for children and teenagers at Richmond College

Learn to touch-type during your holidays. TypeQuest offers fun and engaging courses for children and teenagers aged 7+ , 12+, and 16+ in your local area.

Touch Typing is the skill of finding the keys of the keyboard with the sense of sight rather than looking for the keys. Once touch typing becomes automated, the learner will be able to focus on other aspects of their work. Touch typing is a great life skill for all, it is particularly beneficial to children with dyslexia, dysgraphia and other handwriting-related learning needs. We use the latest touch typing software in our courses, and as part of the course, the learner will be issued with a software licence. With this licence, the user will be able to log into their profile from any device and from any location.

Why learn to touch type?

Touch Typing is fun and quick to learn. It is a fantastic life skill with measurable advantages for further education and beyond. Learning a new skill will boost confidence and self-esteem in children. Pupils will be able to produce twice the amount of work in less time. Typing becomes more accurate, and less time is spent on editing.

Being able to touch type frees the brain to focus on other aspects of work, like content and creativity. It will help children with dyslexia and other handwriting-related learning needs. It will help to produce legible and presentable work.

Touch Typing Courses are £125 each and are comprised of tuition, the typing software valid for 1 year and the use of the IT equipment. Please contact Sybille Freeman to sign up for this course at sybille@typequest.club or message on 07785 363 305

Public parking is available just behind the Richmond and Adult Community College TW9 2RE. There is an on-site cafe available at the college, and lifts are available for wheelchair access.

BOOK TWO OR MORE CAMPS FOR JUST £200 EACH!

Must be for the same child, attending different camp dates.



Join us for our exciting Summer Camps!

**We've got a special camp running at - The Little Vic Church
once the school breaks up, plus additional camps running in
Richmond throughout the summer!**



**Age
4-11
Yrs**

'Matilda' Camp at Old Vicarage School: Mon 14th - Thurs 17th July

'Wicked Meets Oz' Camp at Christ's School TW10: Mon 28th - Thurs 31st July

'Moana 2 & Disney Hits' Camp at Christ's School TW10: Mon 4th - Thurs 7th August

Contact Little Voices for specific information on locations!

Full Day Camp: 9 am - 3:20 pm

Half Day Camp: 9 am - 1 pm (1:30 pm finish on the final day)

Join us at the 'The Little Vic' for four magical days of Matilda! Open to all local school children with a filmed performance day featuring costumes and props. We're also running themed camps on Wicked, The Wizard of Oz, Moana 2, and Disney favourites throughout the summer. Children just need to bring a nut-free lunch, snacks, and water each day.



LittleVoices

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To book, please fill out the booking form by scanning the QR code

Or Email: swl@littlevoices.org.uk

Call: 0208 088 0113

www.littlevoices.org.uk



Full Days, Four Day Camp: £242 per child, Half Days, Four Day Camp: £212 per child
(Sibling discounts. Direct debit instalment options and credit card payments are available.)

*Terms and conditions apply. You must apply via our application form to book a Little Voices camp. Please wait for Little Voices to contact you to confirm a place. If a child is sick and cannot attend our camp we will offer a credit for the future or will offer a credit for the days they can no longer attend. We do not offer refunds. We have a strict 2-week cancellation period. All Little Voices tutors are fully enhanced DBS checked and hold Level 3 First Aid Paediatric Training. Prices may vary subject to location. Subject to application and consent for your child to be filmed for the final performance.

Unicorn Sport week beginning 16 June

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 16 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet and UV Cricket v Old Vicarage School 14:30 – 15:30 <p>Match address: Old Deer Park (behind Pools on the Park)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet and UV to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL: trainers, white socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, FULL Unicorn tracksuit, cap, water bottle Violet and UV parents to collect children from school as normal at 15:50 or from Old Deer Park at 15:30
Tues 17 June	<p>Swimming lessons for RED CLASS 14:00 – 15:00</p> <p>Swim Squad (selected pupils only) 15:45 – 16:30 Pools on the Park</p>	
Wed 18 June	<p>7.30am (prompt) Running Club with Mrs Fraley – meet Pools on the Park</p> <p>Swimming lesson for INDIGO class</p>	
Thurs 19 June	<p>Squad for Blue – Violet Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:15 – 16:15</p> <p>Swimming lessons for YELLOW CLASS 14:00 – 15:00</p>	Parents to pick up after Squad from the field at 16:15 or back at school at 16:30.
Fri 20 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming lesson for UV - Parents to drop children to the pool for 08:45 Green, Blue and Indigo Games lesson 13:30 – 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, white socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, FULL Unicorn tracksuit, cap 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 16 June

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Sausage rolls (G, D, E) Vegan sausage rolls (G)	Low sugar apple and Cinnamon cake (G, E)	Cucumber and avocado Sushi (G, SE, E)	Pain au Chocolate (G, D)	Homemade wholemeal Oat & honey cookies (G, E)
Mains	Selection of sandwiches Ham (G) Cheese (G, D) Tuna (G, F)	Pork and leek sausages (G, SP)	Selection of sandwiches Ham (G) Cheese (G, D) Tuna (G, F) Sausage rolls (G, D, E) Vegan sausage rolls (G)	Beef Bolognese	Selection of sandwiches Ham (G) Cheese (G, D) Tuna (G, F) Sausage rolls (G, D, E) Vegan sausage rolls (G)
Vegetarian Option	Selection of salads: Coleslaw Carrots Tomato Cucumber Cheese (D) Boiled egg (E)	Vegan sausages	Selection of salads: Coleslaw Carrots Tomato Cucumber Cheese (D) Boiled egg (E)	Vegan chicken, mushroom and sweetcorn penne (G, D)	Selection of salads: Coleslaw Carrots Tomato Cucumber Cheese (D) Boiled egg (E)
Sides		Creamy mash potatoes Peas, baked beans Onion gravy + Salad bar		Spaghetti (G) Parmesan cheese (D) Broccoli and carrots + Salad bar	
Dessert	Fruit salad Chocolate mousse (V) Selection of jellies Mango cheesecake (G, D)	Strawberry and orange Jelly + fresh fruit	Fruit salad Chocolate mousse (V) Selection of jellies Mango cheesecake (G, D)	Strawberry or Mango Yoghurt (D) + fresh fruit	Fruit salad Chocolate mousse (V) Selection of jellies Mango cheesecake (G, D)

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite

C = Crustasean