



UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER

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



ANTI BULLYING WEEK



MONDAY

Odd socks day!

8.45am Remembrance assembly for Green to UV Classes – UV parents are welcome to attend
11.00am Green Class to St Paul's Cathedral

TUESDAY

3.45pm **NO** Drama Club

WEDNESDAY

7.00pm Full Governors' Meeting

THURSDAY

NO squad due to staff training

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@unicornschoool.org.uk



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Rose (I), Sohm (V), Lara (G)
and Leena (I)



Remembrance Day and Poppies

On Monday UV will be leading a Remembrance Assembly for the Juniors. UV parents are welcome to come.

Instead of pinned poppies for the children, we have a box of child friendly poppy items (key rings, bracelets, stickers etc) which we will distribute to the children on Monday.

For these a £3 donation to the British Legion charity will be added to **every** bill - if you wish to opt out from this please email Mr Guy at bursar@unicornschoool.org.uk

Poppies and pins will still be available in the school office for adults to purchase and wear.



For many years Yellow Class have traditionally composed a 'Field of Poppies' picture for Remembrance using different paint techniques including brushwork and printing. This year they have gone one step further and created their masterpieces on canvas. Well done Yellow Class.



Orange Class had a lovely discussion all about poppies and why we wear them in November. We talked about symbols of peace, and the children remembered the story of Noah's Ark and the dove of peace.

We also watched a CBeebies clip that is beautifully pitched for young children. I've attached the link below in case you'd like to take a look and perhaps continue the conversation at home - if the children mention it (or even if they don't!), it's a lovely watch.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/watch/poppies>

We touched on the topic of war, using language like "baddies" and "goodies." The baddies were unkind and wanted to take over our country. They aimed to change who we were and stop us from making our own decisions, so we had to stand up to them. Sadly, some people lost their lives, both goodies and baddies, and the poppy helps us remember them all.

The children used coffee filter paper for the petals, adding colour with either paint or food colouring, using brushes or pipettes. They worked beautifully while listening to some Elgar - very WW2! Their beautiful poppies made a delightful display in Orange Class.





Green Class have made beautiful poppy lanterns for Remembrance



An Exciting Opportunity for Budding Young Writers!

Arts Richmond Young Writers Competition 2025

<https://artsrichmond.org.uk/arts-richmond-events#687d0685-8790-47a8-b5bb-1a68b5f80a9d>

Arts Richmond is inviting young people in the borough of Richmond Upon Thames to enter their Young Writers Competition this year.

Please see Mrs Bird's email to parents for further information.



2025 Individual and Sibling photographs are ready to view and order

Your child should have brought home a photo proof card with a unique code with which you can view and order your school photos online. For families with siblings at the school, there is just one order card per family which will have one unique order code covering all family members - so individual photos and sibling photos will all be together under the same code. All order cards came home with the eldest child.

All you need to do is log into <https://lisacollesphotography.gotphoto.co.uk> and create your account (takes 1 minute!), and view all your child's/children's photos in their gallery. If you need any help with codes or ordering or would like a bespoke package, please don't hesitate to contact me on info@lisacollesphotography.co.uk.

Early bird orders made before midnight on **Wednesday 12 November** will automatically receive **10% discount on orders of over £25**, and if you order by midnight on **Sunday 16th November**, you'll also receive **free delivery to school**. After Sunday 16th November, orders will be delivered to your home address and there will be a delivery charge.

If anyone is missing their order card, please email me directly on info@lisacollesphotography.co.uk and I will send you your code.

Orders placed by Sunday 16th November will be delivered to school by Monday 1st December, if not before.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any queries and I hope you enjoy the photos, and remember - they do make great Christmas presents!

Lisa Colles Photography

www.lisacollesphotography.co.uk

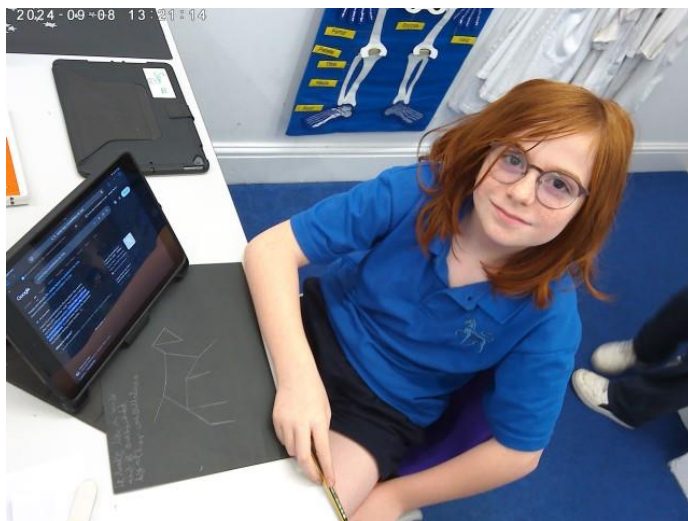
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Pre-school toys needed for our Friday Little Unicorns Playgroup If anyone has any very good condition second hand / nearly new pre-school toys they are getting rid of, we would love to have them! Please drop them off in the school office. Thank you.

UV enjoyed researching constellations and creating artwork - well done!

A constellation is a group of stars that make a recognisable shape or pattern. Each shape might resemble an animal, object or person and each one has its own special name. Many of them are named after mythological figures.

Did you know? There are currently 88 official constellations. The 13 zodiac signs used in astrology are also constellations, such as Virgo, Aries and Sagittarius.



Indigo Class explored static electricity through fun experiments, learning how charges attract and repel like magnets. Using balloons, Indigo made tissue paper characters stand, repelled balloons, bent water, and created static hairstyles. Indigo also discovered the Van de Graaff generator and enjoyed a clip from Paddington 2 featuring it.



Christmas Fair Donations



Please can we have:

Chocolates and sweets for the tombola (containing NO nuts)

Secret Santa gifts (new or unused items suitable for children to buy for their mums/dads/siblings/friends)

Any wrapping paper, gift tags and ribbons etc also welcome

Christmas tree decoration competition

We would like to invite the children to make a Christmas tree decoration and the winner will have their decoration placed at the top of the tree! If your child would like to take part please leave your decoration in the office **CLEARLY LABELLED WITH NAME AND CLASS** by **21 November**.

Come to the fair dressed as Christmas!

There will be an infant and a junior prize for best dressed!

Unicorn Sport week beginning 10 November

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 10 November	Violet and UV Games lesson 13:30 – 15:00 Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH	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. Violet and UV parents to collect their child from school at 15:35 or from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 15:00.
Tues 11 November	Swim Squad @ Pools on the Park (selected pupils only) 15:45 – 16:30 Swimming lessons for ORANGE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	Swim Squad to be collected from Pools on the Park at 16:30. NO RETURN SERVICE TO SCHOOL.
Wed 12 November	Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	
Thurs 13 November	SQUAD for Blue, Indigo, Violet and UV Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:15 – 16:15 Swimming lessons for GREEN CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	SQUAD - Parents to collect their child at 16:15 from Old Deer Park or back at school at 16:30
Fri 14 November	Swimming lesson for UV - Parents to drop children to the pool for 08:45 Green, Blue and Indigo Games lesson 13:30 – 14:50 Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH	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 15:00.

Lunch Menu

Week commencing 10 November

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Banana tray bake (G)	Tuna and cucumber Sandwich (G, F)	Berry and oat slices	Coconut energy balls	Carrot and orange Mini muffins (G, E)
Mains	Chicken Thai Green Curry	BBQ pulled chicken in a Mini brioche bun (G, E, D)	WORLD FOOD WEDNESDAY Italy Roasted veg and lentil Lasagne (G, D) Beef Lasagne (G, D) Antipasti Rosemary and sea salt Focaccia (G) Rocket & Parmesan salad (D) Cavolo Nero Roasted zucchini	Battered fish fingers (F, G)	Shepherd's pie topped With cheddar cheese (D)
Vegetarian Option	Spinach, potato and Chickpea curry	Cheddar and leek Mac 'n' Cheese (G, D)		Mushroom and roasted Peppers Spanish Omelette (E)	Root vegetable and Mixed bean pie (G)
Sides	Bombay potatoes Jasmine rice Roasted chilli aubergine Garlic broccoli + Salad bar	Corn on the Cob Boston beans Vegan coleslaw Savoy cabbage + Salad bar		Oven baked fries Mushy peas Garden peas Steamed carrots + Salad bar	Curly kale Broccoli Gravy + Salad bar
Dessert	Low sugar sweet potato brownie (G, E) + fresh fruit	Lemon mousse + fresh fruit	Fruit pots + fresh fruit	Natural yoghurt with Fruit compote (D) + fresh fruit	Rice pudding with Berry coulis + fresh fruit

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite

C = Crustasean