



UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 17 NOVEMBER

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

Road Safety Week

R O A D S A F E T Y W E E K

Road Safety Week

SATURDAY 22

Christmas Fair
Saturday 22 November
12.00pm – 3.00pm



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:
Gemma (B), Zelda (R) and Teddy (UV)



Netball Tournament Our girls took part in a very tough tournament last Saturday and delivered an outstanding performance. I was incredibly proud of their effort, teamwork, and spirit throughout the day.

We competed against Old Vicarage, Kew College, Notting Hill & Ealing, Vineyard Primary, Barnes Primary, and LEH. The results speak for themselves: **4 wins, 1 draw, and 2 very close losses.**

The energy, determination, and emotion they brought to every match were truly inspiring - it was a joy to watch, and I'm one very happy coach! Mrs Young





Christmas Fair Donations needed



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

Raffle tickets are available to buy from the school office

8 x amazing hampers to be won

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!



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 **Tuesday 18th November**, you'll also receive **free delivery to school**. After Tuesday 18th November, orders will be delivered to your home address and there will be a delivery charge.

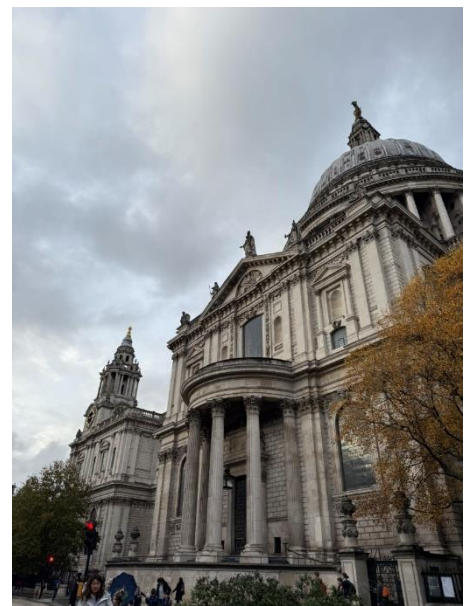
If anyone is missing their order card, please email me directly on info@lisacollesphotography.co.uk and I will send you your code.

Orders placed by Tuesday 18th 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!

Green Class had a wonderful trip to St Paul's Cathedral on Monday

The children travelled confidently on the Tube and were eager to build on their learning about the Great Fire of London. They were fascinated to discover how Sir Christopher Wren rebuilt St Paul's — including the fun fact that he added pineapple sculptures to the top of the cathedral as a symbol of welcome and prosperity! Did you know that in the 17th century a single pineapple could cost the equivalent of £5,000 today! We were incredibly proud of the children throughout the whole day.



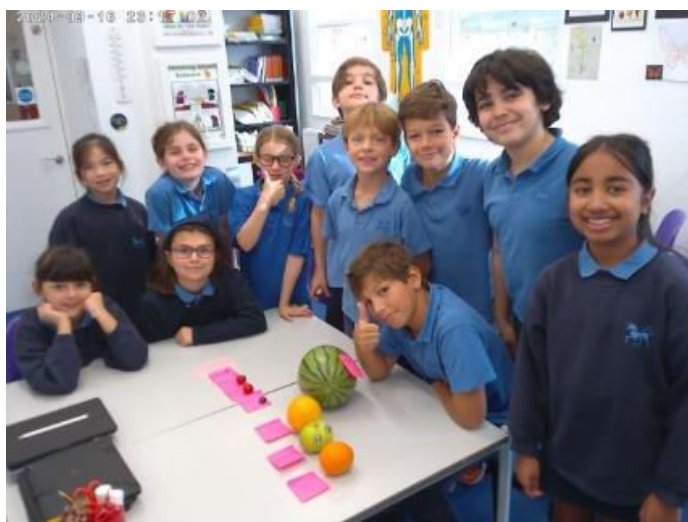
Amaryllis bulbs for Red and Blue Classes Mrs Lynne brought Blue Class over to Red this week, bearing the gift of Amaryllis bulbs for us to plant – just in time for Christmas! We looked at pictures of the flowers that would grow from the bulbs, then Blue Class helped us plant them. There is one for Blue Class and one for Red.

Mrs Lynne has advised us to water ours carefully and speak to it kindly. We will see how green our fingers are! Thank you Mrs Lynne.



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.

Violet Class Science Violet enjoyed matching the planets in our Solar System to a variety of fruits and arranged them in order. We explored the distances of each planet from the Sun, using the Sun – Earth distance as a one-metre scale. Violet also watched Stargazing Live, which demonstrated these distances in kilometres using a toilet roll model. Afterwards, they researched one of the planets in detail, guided by question prompts. Well done!



An Exciting Opportunity for Budding Young Writers!
Arts Richmond Young Writers Competition 2025

<https://artsrichmond.org.uk/arts-richmond-events>

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.

TRY A CLASS
FOR FREE



Now showing, **CONFIDENCE!**

Drama, dance & singing classes
designed to help 4–12 year olds shine

“My son has adored his first term at Perform.
He has blossomed and I've seen his confidence grow every week.”

Pippa Wotton



Play is a **POWERFUL THING**

Perform classes help boost children's **confidence**,
concentration, **coordination** and **communication** skills,
as well as being lots of fun.

Our expertly designed drama, dance and singing sessions for
4-7s and 7-12s are run by experienced teachers, hand-picked
for their warmth and approachability. They'll be with your child
every step of the way – inspiring and encouraging them to
develop vital life skills as they discover the joy of performing.

What does Perform offer?

- Performing arts-based games and exercises
- Focus on a different social skill each week
- Small classes and feedback on your child's progress
- Specially created scripts, videos and apps
- End of term presentation for family and friends

“Perform helps develop all key areas of a child in a fun,
supportive and engaging way. It gives my daughter
a brilliant sense of fun, community, purpose and pride
in her achievements.”

Begum Bari



Ready to try for free?

Your child's first class is free, so why not
give it a go? Classes take place all over,
have a look online or call us:



perform.org.uk/try 020 7255 9120

Unicorn Sport week beginning 17 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 17 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 18 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 19 November	Swimming lessons for BLUE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	
Thurs 20 November	SQUAD for Blue, Indigo, Violet and UV Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:15 – 16:15 Swimming lessons for YELLOW 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 21 November	Swimming lesson for VIOLET CLASS - 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 17 November

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Cream cheese & Cucumber sandwich (D, G)	Avocado & cucumber Sushi (G, E, M, SE)	Crudités, sundried tomato Hummus (SE) and rice cake	Cheese & chive Mini scones (G, D)	Sugarless seeded Flapjack (G)
Mains	Beef Bolognese	Chicken goujons burger On a mini Brioche bap (G, D, E)	WORLD FOOD WEDNESDAY PORTUGAL Peri Peri chicken thighs Roasted vegetables with Smoked paprika Padron peppers Kidney beans Broccoli Rice + Salad bar	Oven baked fish fingers (G, F)	Slow cooked roast beef
Vegetarian Option	Penne pasta (G) with Mixed mushrooms in a Creamy white sauce (S)	Spicy bean burger (G) on a mini Brioche bap (G, D, E)		Roasted veg & feta Pasta bake (G, D)	Lentil & roasted Root pie (G)
Sides	Spaghetti (G) Garden peas, beans Parmesan cheese (D) + Salad bar	Sweet potato wedges Crunchy slaw Baked beans, corn on On the cob + Salad bar		Sweetcorn, curly kale Rosemary focaccia (G) Parmesan cheese (D) + Salad bar	Garlic infused roasted pots Honey carrots Savoy cabbage Red wine gravy
Dessert	Orange sponge cake (G, E) + fresh fruit	Mini fresh fruit salad + fresh fruit	Chocolate & coconut Mousse + fresh fruit	Grapes and berries Fruit pot + fresh fruit	Pineapple upside down Cake (G, E) with custard (D)

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite

C = Crustasean