



UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 24 NOVEMBER

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

SATURDAY

Christmas Fair
Saturday 22 November
12.00pm – 3.00pm



MONDAY

Safe Walking Workshop for Blue Class

TUESDAY

Mrs Fraley out on an inspection
Safe Walking Workshop for Blue Class
9.30am Big Book Swap

WEDNESDAY

Mrs Fraley out on an inspection
Safe Walking Workshop for Blue Class
8.45am Junior Celebration Assembly – parents of those children being celebrated have been emailed and are welcome to attend
10.00am Red and Orange Class 2026 – Stay and Play

THURSDAY

Mrs Fraley out on an inspection

FRIDAY

8.45am Infant Celebration Assembly – parents of those children being celebrated have been emailed and are welcome to attend

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:
Bella (V), Jack (V) and Leia (B)



Christmas Fair



We look forward to seeing you all at tomorrow's Christmas Fair – lots of lovely stalls, games, raffle prizes and of course ... Santa's Grotto! Also, a prize for **the best dressed "come as Christmas!"**

A Christmas Fair Calm Zone will be available in the **Science Room** (upstairs) between 12.00 – 2.00pm for children who need to take a quiet break.

Orange Class enjoyed a lovely morning celebrating Hanukkah with Tara and Vivi - Bo's (UV) mummy and granny

They told us the story of Hanukkah....

A long time ago, a mean king named Antiochus tried to stop the Jewish people from practicing their religion. His soldiers took over the beautiful Temple in Jerusalem, made a big mess of it, and stopped the special oil lamp from burning. After a brave Jewish family, the Maccabees, won a war to get the temple back, they found they only had one small jar of oil, which was only enough for one day. By a miracle, the oil lasted for eight days, which was just enough time to make more. To celebrate this miracle, Jewish people light a candle on a special lamp called a menorah for eight nights during Hanukkah.

The children played Dreidel, which is a fun spinning top game where you win golden coins!

Vivi said a prayer in Hebrew as she lit the very first candle on the menorah, it was magical. We then made our own menorahs, aren't they gorgeous.

Many thanks to Tara and Vivi for coming in to share their family's lovely tradition.



The Unicorn Big Book Swap and Book Sale

Our next Big Book Swap will be on **Tuesday 25th November**, along with a **second-hand book sale**.

For any families who are new to the school, children in Blue – UV can bring in up to seven books which they don't read anymore and would like to swap. The books will all be laid out in the hall and then the children will be able to come and choose the same number of books that they donated.

Books must be appropriate for Blue – UV children (no picture books please) and must be in good condition.

After the book swap, at lunchtime, all the books that have not been taken will be laid out and children will be able to choose books, write down the number they have taken and these will be charged to your end of term bill. **All books will be £1**. Please tell your child if there is a limit to the number of books they are allowed to buy!

Please send books for the book swap in to school on **Tuesday 25th November** (not before as we have nowhere to store them) and ask children to give them to their class teacher.

Any questions, please drop me an email (jackie.gladstone@unicornschoool.org.uk). Mrs Gladstone



Orange Class saw that the playground was all frosty this morning. We touched the frost to see what it looked like and when Mrs Gladstone picked up a frosty leaf, we saw that it left a print on the ground. So, we collected some leaves to take back to the classroom and made our own frosty playground pictures using leaves and glitter. We had a lot of fun!





Unicorn Singers in the "Mike Reed and friends: Songs from West End Musicals concert"

Our Unicorn Singers performed last weekend in an amazing concert alongside West End stars. The children were brilliant, singing with so much energy and confidence and just having the best time.

Directed by our very talented Miss Gresson – if you didn't get a chance to go this time, you should definitely try to catch the next one.

Wow, well done Alice (G) on being awarded a Blue Peter badge for her beautiful watermelon fan



Parenting in Flow over the holiday season Monday 24 November, 6.30 – 7.00pm

As the festive season approaches, our very own parent Milena would like to invite you to an evening for parents titled “Parenting in Flow over the holiday season”.

The talk will be this coming Monday 24 November at the Bingham Riverhouse Hotel in Richmond (6.30 - 7.30pm).

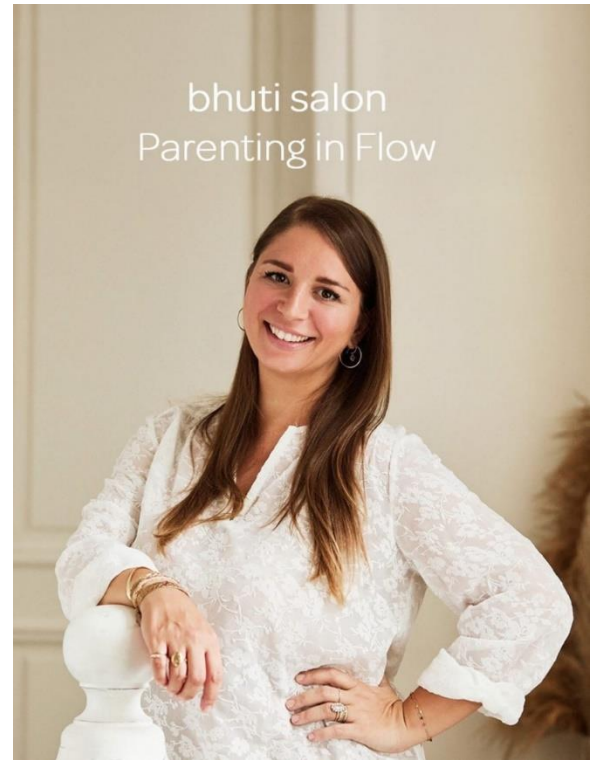
Milena is a trauma informed Conscious Parenting Coach and will talk about gentle, effective tools for setting boundaries without battles, finding calm when emotions run high and reconnecting with your child (and yourself!). You may leave feeling inspired and more supported for the weeks ahead.

To book your space (free for Bhuti members and charged at £10 for non-members) please email Milena at:

milena@milenascoaching.com

Or visit the Bhuti or Bingham Hotel website:

<https://bhuti.co/workshops-events/parenting-in-flow/>



Unicorn Sport week beginning 24 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 24 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 25 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 26 November	Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	
Thurs 27 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 28 November	Swimming lesson for UV 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 24 November

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Cheese & cucumber Sandwich (G, S, D)	Falafel with hummus And crackers (SE, G)	Cucumber & avocado Sushi (G, SE, E, M)	Apple & cinnamon Cake (G, E)	Pork sausage roll (G, D) Vegan sausage roll (G, SP)
Mains	Vegan “meatballs” in a Rich tomato sauce	Chilli con Carne	WORLD FOOD WEDNESDAY Japan	THANKSGIVING Roast turkey	Oven baked salmon Fishcake (G, F)
Vegetarian Option	Pan fried Gnocchi in Green pesto sauce and Butter beans (G)	3 bean chilli with Roasted vegetables	Chicken Katsu nuggets (G) Sticky rice Broad beans Teriyaki jack fruit Chilli broccoli Katsu sauce	Mushroom and lentil Stew	Mozzarella and tomato Frittata (E, D)
Sides	Penne pasta Roasted aubergine and Courgette, sweetcorn Rocket & Sundried tomato salad + Salad bar	Wholegrain and White rice Curly kale, guacamole Corn on the cob Tortilla chips + Salad bar	+ Salad bar	Creamy mash potato Honey carrots Hispy cabbage Gravy + Salad bar	Roasted new potatoes Garden peas Green beans Baked beans + Salad bar
Dessert	Banana sponge cake With custard (G, E, D) + fresh fruit	Rainbow jelly + fresh fruit	Greek yoghurt, strawberry or mango coulis (D) + fresh fruit	Pumpkin sponge Cake (G, E) + fresh fruit	Vegan pancake with mixed Berry compote (G) + fresh fruit

Contains:

G = Gluten

D = Dairy

E = Egg

F = Fish

SE = Sesame

M = Mustard

S = Soya

SF = Seafood

SP = Sulphite

C = Crustasean