

UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER  
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 19 JANUARY

SPRING TERM 2026

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

**MONDAY** 1.00pm Ranger Stu with his animals visit Yellow Class

**TUESDAY** 11.30am Violet and UV leave for the O2 for the Young Voices Concert

**FRIDAY** Vision and Hearing Screening (Red to UV)

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](mailto:absences@unicornschoo.org.uk)



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**  
**Andy (UV) and Nathan (V)**



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

**School Council**

Indigo (Head Girl) and Henry (Head Boy)  
 Luka T (UV)  
 Matilda and Sam (V)  
 Sabine (I) Leia (B)  
 Savannah (G) Abiola (Y)

**Eco Warriors**

Ember, Teddy and Poppy (UV)  
 Ayda and Alice (V)  
 Bea and Ates (I)  
 Clementine and Brighton (B)  
 Alice and Deniz (G)  
 Antosha and Yura (Y)

**UV Sports Captains**

Emily and Ollie

**Violet Class Junior Librarians**

Bella, Aleena, Feliks, Tymofii and Caitlyn

**Smiley People**

Elodie and Charlie (UV)  
 Harriet and Jack L (V)  
 Leena and Jamie (I)  
 Ophelia and Arthur (B)  
 Margot and Nicky (G)  
 Neeya and Ted (Y)

**Music Captains**

Rani, Millie and Leon

**UV Swimming Captain**

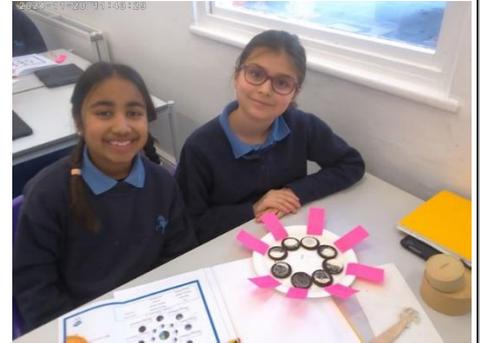
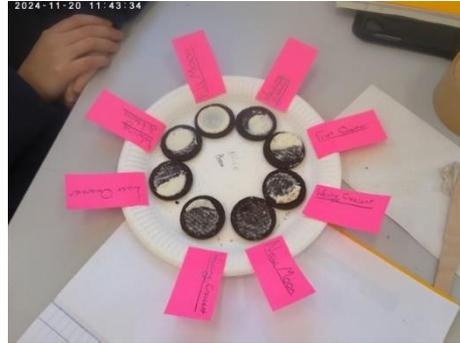
Teddy

**Orange Class' topic on SPACE** Our topic in the Coach House this half term is SPACE 🚀 In Orange Class, we have built a space station in our role play area. We painted it and added knobs and buttons inside. We also made stars to hang above it and planets using stencils and pastels. We have created paper plate helmets and even have real spacesuits.

We wrote lists of what we need when going on a mission and, from this, added phones and keyboards to our space station so we can stay in touch with Earth. We worked together with Red Class to make aliens from pipe cleaners. Overall, the topic has been great fun and there is lots more to come.



**Staying with the theme of Space - Violet Class** explored the phases of the Moon using Oreo biscuits and learnt key vocabulary such as Full Moon, Crescent, Gibbous, and Quarter phases. They discovered why we only ever see one side of the Moon and carried out a crater-making experiment using stones, cocoa powder, and flour. The children also learned fascinating facts about the Moon, including its role in tides, its craters and mountains, and the presence of frozen water. Well done, Violet Class!



### Amended dates for your diaries

There has been a slight change to the diary dates in the second half of term:

- The Junior Celebration Assembly will now be on Wednesday 11 March.
- The Infant Celebration Assembly will now be on Friday 13 March.
- There will be a whole school poetry assembly on Wednesday 18 March.

### Our Stars of the week



## Whole School Vision & Hearing Tests - 23 January

We are pleased to inform you that we will be using a company called **School Health Check** to test your child for **vision** and **hearing** on Friday 23 January (times tbc).

Vision and hearing screening has been shown to be highly effective in detecting asymptomatic and treatable conditions that otherwise go unnoticed in some children.

School Health Check is an independent private company run by a Consultant Ophthalmologist from Moorfields Eye Hospital and a Specialist Optometrist from Great Ormond Street Hospital who use highly specialised clinical optometrists and audiologists to test children from the age of 3 to 11.

This is an **opt-in service** and costs **£35 for a vision screening test** and **£35 for a screening hearing test** paid directly to the company via their website [schoolhealthcheck.org](http://schoolhealthcheck.org). You can choose both tests or just on test if you prefer.

Please follow the link [schoolhealthcheck.org](http://schoolhealthcheck.org) and press the button marked '**Book an appointment**' and then on to '**Find a school**', **Type in** 'The Unicorn School'. Follow the instructions to register, consent and pay online.

Parents FAQs below. **Online booking will close on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> January, at midday**. If you have any questions, please email: [info@schoolhealthcheck.co.uk](mailto:info@schoolhealthcheck.co.uk).



### Frequently Asked Questions by Parents

#### **Why has the school used School Health Check to deliver this screening service?**

School Health Check is a UK registered company that delivers children's health screening in private schools in the UK (Company No 12687992).

Jaheed Khan BSc MBBS MD FRCOphth is a UK Consultant Ophthalmologist from the world renowned Moorfields Eye Hospital, London, who is CEO and Managing Director of School Health Check Ltd.

[jaheedkhan.co.uk](http://jaheedkhan.co.uk)

**Reshma Pattani** BSc MSc is a specialist UK optometrist who works at Moorfields Eye Hospital and Great Ormond Street Hospital and is a co-founder of School Health Check.

Together these specialists have over 40 years of combined experience managing complex eye and ear conditions and have recently created a unique and highly efficient system for checking children's health screening in independent schools.

The company delivers a highly efficient and streamlined booking, consenting, payment and reporting pathway that your school may not have been able to develop internally.

School Health Check uses local specialist testers with state of the art technology to check for vision and hearing issues.

#### **What is the money back guarantee offered by School Health Check?**

School Health Check will offer an immediate full refund to any parent who is unhappy with any aspect of our service. We offer immediate refunds for any parent whose child was not tested (absent from school, unavailable on the day etc).

School Health Check is happy to answer any queries about the screening service or deal with any complaints about any issue directly. We would prefer that you did not contact the school or school nurse unnecessarily over issues that we can help with.

#### **What is the age range you will offer your service to?**

We offer all our services from 3 to 11 years of age. The school will provide details of which year groups will be tested and when.

## Camp Beaumont Holiday Camp - January Sale



15%  
off ALL  
2026  
camps

Use  
code  
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# JANUARY SALE

**Childcare Vouchers Accepted!**



# WICKED FOR GOOD

Join us for our  
**'WICKED FOR GOOD' Half-term Camp!**



**Working towards a filmed performance day**

**Age  
4-11  
Yrs**

**Monday 16th - Thursday 19th February**

**Full Day Camp: 9am - 3:20pm**

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

**Locations:**

**Richmond: Christ's School, TW10 6HW**

**Fulham: St John's Walham Green Primary School, SW6 6AS**

In just four days, we'll work on songs, scenes, and dances inspired by the new 'Wicked For Good' movie. It's a great chance for fans to build confidence, make friends, and have fun through singing, drama, and dance. All material will be age-appropriate. Our videographer will film the children performing on the final day, with props and costumes provided. Children just need to bring a nut-free packed lunch, snacks, and water each day.



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**Or Email: [swl@littlevoices.org.uk](mailto:swl@littlevoices.org.uk)**

**Call: 0208 088 0113**

**[www.littlevoices.org.uk](http://www.littlevoices.org.uk)**



**Full Days, Four Day Camp: £242 per child, Half Days, Four Day Camp: £212 per child**  
(Sibling discounts available. Direct debit instalment options available.)

# Unicorn Sport week beginning 19 January

## 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
<p><b>Mon 19 January</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Violet and UV Games lesson</b> 13:30 – 15:00</li> </ul> <p><b>Games address:</b> Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>UV to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL:</b> trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, <b>FULL</b> Unicorn tracksuit, <b>SHIN PADS and MOUTH GUARD</b> and water bottle.</li> <li><b>CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHIN PADS &amp; MOUTH GUARDS.</b></li> </ul> <p><b>Violet and UV</b> parents to collect their child from school at 15:35 or from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 15:00.</p>
<p><b>Tues 20 January</b></p>	<p><b>Swim Squad @ Pools on the Park (selected pupils only)</b> 15:45 – 16:30</p> <p><b>Swimming lessons for ORANGE CLASS</b> 14:00 – 15:00</p>	<p>Swim Squad to be collected from Pools on the Park at 16:30. NO RETURN SERVICE TO SCHOOL.</p>
<p><b>Wed 21 January</b></p>	<p><b>Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS</b> 14:00 – 15:00</p>	
<p><b>Thurs 22 January</b></p>	<p><b>SQUAD for Blue, Indigo, Violet and UV</b> Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:15 – 16:15</p> <p><b>Swimming lessons for GREEN CLASS</b> 14:00 – 15:00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SQUAD - Parents to collect their child at 16:15 from Old Deer Park or back at school at 16:30</li> </ul>
<p><b>Fri 23 January</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Swimming lesson for UV CLASS</b> - Parents to drop children to the pool for 08:45</li> <li><b>Green, Blue and Indigo Games lesson</b> 13:30 – 14:50</li> </ul> <p><b>Games address:</b> Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Green, Blue and Indigo to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL:</b> trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, <b>FULL</b> Unicorn tracksuit, <b>SHIN PADS and MOUTH GUARDS</b> and water bottle.</li> <li><b>CHILDREN MUST HAVE SHIN PADS &amp; MOUTH GUARDS.</b></li> <li><b>Green, Blue and Indigo</b> parents to collect children from school as normal at 15:35 or from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 14:50.</li> </ul>

# Lunch Menu

Week commencing 19 January

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Cream cheese & cucumber Sandwich (D, G)	Avocado & cucumber Sushi (G, E, M, SE)	Crudités with hummus (SE) and rice cakes	Cheese and chive mini Scones (G)	Sugarless seeded Flapjack (G)
Mains	Beef Bolognese	Sweet and sour chicken	WORLD FOOD DAY Spain	Homemade beef burgers In a brioche bun (G, E, D)	Oven baked fish fingers (G, F)
Vegetarian Option	Pasta bake with roasted Vegetables, sweetcorn and mozzarella (G, D)	Honey and ginger tofu and broccoli (S)	Smoked paprika chicken Saffron rice Garlic infused roasted Mixed peppers Sautéed Hispy cabbage Butter bean and Spinach stew	Mushroom and kidney Bean burger in a brioche Bun (G, E, D)	Pasta in a rich tomato And basil sauce (G)
Sides	Spaghetti (G) Parmesan cheese (D) Peas, green beans	Noodles Stir-fry vegetables Soy & garlic aubergine		Sweet potato wedges Sweetcorn Curly kale	Garden peas Baked beans Steamed carrots
	+ Salad bar	+ Salad bar	+ Salad bar	+ Salad bar	+ Salad bar
Dessert	Coconut & strawberry Sponge (G, E) + fresh fruit	Fresh fruit salad pot + fresh fruit	Greek yoghurt with Berry compote (D) + fresh fruit	Grapes and berries Fruit pot + fresh fruit	Pineapple Upside Down cake (G, E) & custard (D) + fresh fruit

Contains: G = Gluten D = Dairy E = Egg F = Fish SE = Sesame CE = Celery  
M = Mustard S = Soya SF = Seafood SP = Sulphite C = Crustasean