

UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
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WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 1 JUNE

SUMMER TERM 2026

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

MONDAY 5.00pm UV Parent meetings

TUESDAY 5.00pm UV Parent meetings
6.00pm Finance Committee meeting

WEDNESDAY 9.00am Red and Orange Classes to Bekonscot Model Village
9.00am – 11.00am UV Shakespeare workshop
1.00pm – 3.00pm Indigo Class Shakespeare workshop
2.00pm Blue Class swimming show

THURSDAY 9.45am All Juniors to Orange Tree Theatre for Shakespeare production - Comedy of Errors

FRIDAY 5.00pm UV 2025 Leavers' tea

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



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:
Harper (V), Ollie (UV),
Siddharth (I) and Brighton (B)



Blue Class' Bushcraft fantastic residential in photos!



The weather was kind and the children were fantastic throughout, enjoying activities and playing lots of games. They built a shelter and gathered wood to build the fire that was used to cook their burgers. After a very active day, the children settled to sleep relatively quickly. After breakfast the children helped with washing up, set traps for Mr Gough, and took part in a stealth game to earn their mid-morning snack! Thank you to Mrs Fraley and Mr Gough - a very good time was had by all.



Welcome home UV - news and photos of their amazing residential trip to Cumbria will be in the next newsletter.

Our topic in Yellow class is 'Toys' Last week we learnt about the sorts of toys Victorian children played with. We were loaned a discovery box from the 'Museum of Richmond' and had great fun learning about the toys and games Victorian children had and enjoyed playing with them ourselves. We found out that boys and girls were given different toys and that toys were mostly made from wood, metal, china and fabric. There was no plastic to make toys with and children had very few toys. This week we had a visitor from the same museum and she demonstrated many more toys. In our workshop we made four different toys and were excited to be able to take them home.



New drama collaboration with Arts Ed

We are delighted to share some exciting news about a brand-new collaboration for our junior children with the prestigious Arts Educational Schools, (ArtsEd).

ArtsEd is one of the UK's leading performing arts schools, renowned for its excellence in drama, musical theatre and creative arts education. Many successful actors and performers have trained there, and we are thrilled to be working alongside their talented staff to provide inspiring opportunities for our pupils. Even better, it is on our doorstep in Chiswick!

Starting next month, Indigo Class will be the first group to take part in a special drama workshop afternoon led by ArtsEd staff. During the session, children will explore drama activities, build confidence, develop performance skills and work creatively together. At the end of the afternoon, parents will be invited in to watch a short performance showcasing what the children have created.

Following the launch with Indigo Class, we will roll this opportunity out across all junior classes from September, ensuring every junior child has the chance to participate in this fantastic experience. We are incredibly excited about this partnership and the opportunities it will bring for creativity, confidence-building and performance for all Unicorn children.

Art at Unicorn

Blue Class: paper models inspired by The Pagoda in Kew Gardens



Indigo Class

Barbara Hepworth
Inspired soap carvings
And drawings



Blue Class's trip to Kew Gardens



Blue class art trip to the Marianne North Gallery



The Unicorn door



The Ruined Arch

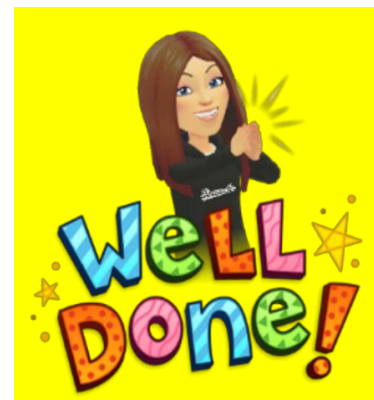


Congratulations to the following children who have received their certificate for reading

10 books from the **100 book challenge!**

Solomiia (B) and Clementine (B)

We are very proud of you!



Plants! Plants! Plants!

As part of the school plan to make the site more biodiverse and to improve the atmosphere around the school, plants have been put in all the classrooms. Did you know that seeing plants improves your mood and that many plants are really great at purifying indoors?

The Eco Warriors are helping to look after them, so this week they visited Orange Class to see that they have been growing. Orange Class have been planting seeds, and caring for the plants that are now growing. The Eco Warriors then went around the school checking to see if the plants needed some care. The group washed leaves, misted and watered the plants, and took their job very seriously.



Nits are on the loose!

We have had several incidents of nits reported - please check and treat as necessary.

You may find the following links useful.

<http://www.netdoctor.co.uk/diseases/facts/lice.htm>

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/head-lice/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

<http://www.nittygritty.co.uk/site/headliceandnits.asp>

Please can all children with long hair wear it tied up.

Unicorn's Teddy Bears' Picnic For any families with children due to join Red or Orange Classes from September 2026, you are very welcome to come and enjoy a taster day here at school, including a fun Teddy Bears' Picnic! Please scan the QR code to reserve your place or call Cindy in the school office. If you have any friends who are looking for nursery or reception places in September, we'd be delighted to welcome them too.

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TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC!

Thursday 11 June 9:30 – 11:00

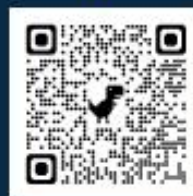
Scan the QR code to book your child's place

For families considering a Nursery or Reception September 2026 place, come and join us for a magical taster morning.

Children will enjoy a Teddy Bears' Picnic, packed with fun and engaging activities in our beautifully renovated Early Years' garden. It's the perfect way for little ones to explore, play, and feel at home.

UNICORN is an inspirational co-ed prep school for children aged 3 - 11 that consistently achieves excellent results.

Children can join our Nursery from their 3rd birthday.





**Hannah Langdon's
The Tea Room Inheritance**

Release date: 27 May 2026

Welcome to The Coastal Kettle, a sun-drenched seaside tearoom where friendship is brewed strong and secrets run deeper than anyone suspected... When Belle's fiancé calls off their wedding just nine days...

Click on the link below to purchase / download:

[Amazon - The Tea Room Inheritance](#)

Congratulations to Alice (B)

Who took part in the Barnes Swimming Club championships last Sunday in the 8 year-old section winning bronze and silver medals.



Congratulations to Teo (V)

Who also took part in the Barnes Swimming Club championships but over the 2 days in the 10 year-old section, winning bronzes, silvers and golds.



Cookery Club this week - yummy! Thank you Mrs Carroll Veiga



PAY WHAT YOU CAN

SPEECH & LANGUAGE SUPPORT DAY



Thursday 28th May
10:00am – 4:00pm



Kite Studios
2b Bassein Park Road,
London W12 9RY



We're opening our doors to families for a special charity day 

This event is designed for families who:

- Are on a waiting list for support
- Would like guidance on next steps for their child

WHAT'S HAPPENING?



30-MINUTE CONSULTATIONS

Delivered by 2 qualified Speech & Language Therapists. Practical advice and next steps tailored to your child.



BOOK OR DROP IN

Pre-book via our website (scan QR code below). Walk-ins welcome (please note there may be a wait).

WHILE YOU'RE HERE...



Meet our friendly SLTs in the waiting area



Watch and try out play-based strategies



Ask questions in a relaxed, informal setting



Enjoy low-cost drinks and cakes

BOOK YOUR APPOINTMENT



Scan the QR code to book via our website.

 www.wlspeechtherapy.co.uk

COST



Pay what you can

(minimum £10 per consultation)

All proceeds will be donated to:

**THE
BRAIN
TUMOUR
CHARITY**

TOGETHER
WE'RE MOVING
CLOSER TO A CURE

Come along, get support, and help make a difference.
We'd love to see you there!



Unicorn Sport week beginning 1 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 1 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet and UV Games lesson (CRICKET) 13:30 – 15:00 <p>Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Violet and UV to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL: trainers, short white socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, Unicorn tracksuit, water bottle. <p>Violet and UV parents to collect their child from school at 15:35 or from Barnes Hockey Pitch at 15:00.</p>
Tues 2 June	<p>Running Club with Mrs Fraley (Blue – UV) 7:30 in the field behind Pools on the Park</p> <p>Swim Squad (selected pupils) 15:45 – 16:30</p> <p>Swimming lessons for RED and ORANGE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00</p>	Swim Squad parents to collect their child from Pools on the Park at 16:30 (in changing rooms)
Wed 3 June	SWIMMING lessons for BLUE and INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	
Thurs 4 June	<p>SQUAD for Blue - Violet Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:30 – 16:30</p> <p>Swimming lessons for GREEN SWIMMING SHOW 14:00 – 15:00</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SQUAD - Parents to collect their child at 16:30 from Old Deer Park or back at school at 16:45
Fri 5 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Swimming lesson for VIOLET & UV Survival swimming lesson – bring long sleeved PJs 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, short white socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo top, Unicorn tracksuit, and water bottle. Green 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 1 June

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Cheese twist (G, D)	Crudités with hummus (SE) and rice cakes	Courgette & Cheese Savoury muffins (G, E)	Apple & cinnamon Oat bar (G)	Cheese and crackers (G)
Mains	Beef spaghetti Bolognese	Home-made chicken Nuggets (G, S, CE)	World Food Day ITALY	Oven baked fish fingers (F, G)	Pasta Salad Bar
Vegetarian Option	Mac 'n' cheese with Sauté leeks (M, D, G)	Sweet chilli coated Crispy tofu bites (S)	Beef lasagne (D, G) Roasted veg & lentil Lasagne (G, D) Rosemary & Garlic Focaccia Cavolo Nero Parmesan cheese (D) Steamed carrots	Baked aubergine Parmigiana (G, D)	Penne pasta (G) Fusilli pasta (G) GF Penne Tomato & basil Green pesto (D) Pulled chicken Sauté mushroom Black olives Sweetcorn, spinach Parmesan cheese (D)
Sides	Spaghetti (G) Sweetcorn Green beans + Salad bar	Basmati & wild rice Katsu sauce Chilli roasted aubergine Savoy cabbage + Salad bar	+ Salad bar	Hispy cabbage Garden peas Baked beans Tartare sauce (E) + Salad bar	+ Salad bar
Dessert	Pineapple upside down Cake (G, E) custard (D) + fresh fruit	Mixed berry pots + fresh fruit	Selection of jellies + fresh fruit	Natural yoghurt (D) with Berry compote + fresh fruit	Apple crumble (G) Vanilla 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