

UNICORN SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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No 904 WEEK COMMENCING: MONDAY 9 SEPTEMBER AUTUMN TERM 2024

'Unicorn children are courageous, reflective and, above all, kind'

MONDAY Drum lessons with Mr Allen begin

Violin lessons with Mrs Willescroft begin

7.50am Orchestras with Mrs Willescroft and Mr Marchese begin

7.50am Rock Band with Mr Allen begins

8.45am Whole School Assembly – parents are welcome to attend

3.45pm - 4.45pm Little Voices begins

3.45pm – 4.45pm Virtual Reality Club begins

3.45pm – 4.30pm Unicorn Singers begins

TUESDAY Guitar lessons with Mr Dickinson begin

7.45am - 8.15am La Jolie Ronde begins

3.45pm - 5.15pm Swim Club (Blue - UV Classes) begins

3.45pm – 4.45pm Touch Typing Club begins 3.45pm – 4.30pm Sew What? (Juniors) begins

8.00pm School Committee meeting in the school hall

WEDNESDAY 8.45am Junior Assembly

3.45pm – 4.45pm Karate Club begins 3.45pm – 4.45pm M:Tech begins

THURSDAY 7.45am – 8.15am La Jolie Ronde begins

9.30am Yellow Class to Forest School

12.45pm - 1.15pm Tutti Fluti

3.35pm - 4.20pm Sew What? (Infants) begins

FRIDAY 8.45am Infant Assembly

3.45pm – 4.45pm Musical Theatre (Blue – UV Classes) begins

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@unicornschool.org.uk



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Teddy (O), Sophia (Y), Daisy (Y) and Margot (Y)



We are thrilled to announce the launch

of our new website ... it was a long time in the making but we are delighted with the end result!

Please take a moment to have a look and we'd welcome any feedback you may have.

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Welcome back to old Unicorns and a warm welcome to new Unicorns and

their families which include all children in Red Class and Aava to Orange Class; Daisy and Margot (sisters) to Yellow Class; Leia [big sister to Anton (O)] and Solomiia to Green Class; Audrey [big sister to Margot and Daisy (Y)] to Blue and Tymofii [big brother to Solomiia (G)] to Indigo Class.



From left to right – Audrey (B), Leia (G), Solomiia (G), Tymofii (I), Aava (O), Daisy (Y) and Margot (Y)

Please note that Breakfast club is run separately to Wraparound club

Breakfast club (Red - UV Classes) - NO need to book Unicorn provides a term time breakfast club on-site for all children. This runs from 7.30am to 8.20am every school day.

There is no need to book in advance, with children simply registered as they arrive. The cost is £5 per session, with participating parents being invoiced at the end of each term.

Wraparound care (Orange - UV Classes) - Need to book Richmond Rugby Club provides term-time wraparound care on site at Unicorn for children in Orange to UV Classes up until 6.00pm every school day. This provision includes organised games both inside and out, support with homework and a substantial snack.

Parents can book for a whole afternoon at a cost of £15.00 per session, or opt for a 'bolt on' session whereby the children can join either before or after another after school club, or children can go whilst they wait for a sibling doing another club at a cost of £10.00 per session.

Please book in advance through Richmond Rugby Club (WAC) using the following link:

Richmond Rugby Club WAC booking

Date for the diary - Wednesday 25 September - Individual and sibling school photos

Provision of Information

Absences Parents must report pupil absences by email to:

absences@unicornschool.org.uk

Request for absence: Family events Headteacher

Medical or educational appointments Class Teacher

Senior Leadership Team: Headteacher Mrs Fraley

Bursar Mr Guy
Deputy Head Mr Gladstone
Asst Head / Head of Teaching & Learning Mr Jones
Asst Head / Head of Infants including EYFS Mrs Langdon

School Governance and Policies

Contact Details Unicorn School, 238 Kew Road, Richmond, Surrey TW9 3JX

Tel No 020 8948 3926

Chair of Governors Mr Paul Rathbone

Contact Details Address as above and mark the letter "Private and Confidential"

Unicorn School has a general duty to safeguard children and will share any concerns with parents as

necessary.

Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr David Gladstone (<u>david.gladstone@unicornschool.org.uk</u>)

Anti-Bullying Officer Mr David Gladstone (<u>david.gladstone@unicornschool.org.uk</u>)

School Policies and Documentation Our policies and documentation which are available to the parents of current and prospective parents can be found on the website on the following link:

https://www.unicornschool.org.uk/about-unicorn/school-policies/

All documentation is available on request in hard copy from the School Office (tel 020 8948 3926).

Our Ethos and Aims

Our ethos:

We are a close-knit community full of happy, enthusiastic children where kindness is a key value and talked about every day. The intentions of the school's founders remain at the forefront of our rationale. These are to be a forward-thinking school that educates children without a hot-house approach, encourages them to flourish creatively and enjoy the process of learning. Children leave us interested in the world around them and excited to embrace new challenges.

Our aims:

- To have the child and family at the heart of everything we do
- To maintain a happy, welcoming environment for children, families and staff
- To prepare our children to be the best they can be and to establish a lifelong love of learning
- To have high expectations and to recognise that success comes in many forms
- To celebrate the kindness, individuality, diversity, talents and achievements of our pupils
- For learning to be enhanced by a broad curriculum which is embedded with creativity
- To make the most of our small size and generous staff to pupil ratio to be able to know all our children really well and foster them as individuals
- To promote emotional, physical, aesthetic, social and intellectual growth.

Violet Class Science Violet Class enjoyed dissecting a flower whilst learning about the role of reproduction in flowering plants.

Vocabulary used: stamen - anther & filament; carpel - stigma, style, ovary & ovules; petal; sepal



Lucie Benson school of Dance is accepting new pupils to start this

September Outstanding training in all areas of dance, drama, musical theatre and **singing** (taught by our very own Miss Gresson!) Based in East Putney, only a short distance from Unicorn. Lots of performing opportunities and the chance to take exams in dance and musical theatre performance.

Please do contact Miss Gresson if you'd like more information.



Unicorn Sport week beginning 9 September

For Directions to Sporting Venues

<u>Directions to Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Drive, Chiswick, W4 25H</u>

Directions to Old Deer Park (London Welsh), TW9 2HN

Date	Sports information	Parents information	
Mon 9 September	Violet and UV Games lesson 13:30 – 15:00 Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH	Violet and 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 10 September	NO SWIM SQUAD Swimming lessons for ORANGE CLASS 14:00 – 15:00		
Wed 11 September	NO RUNNING CLUB Swimming lessons for INDIGO CLASS 14:00 – 15:00		
Thurs 12 September	SQUAD for Blue – UV Old Deer Park (London Welsh) 15:30 – 16:30 Swimming lessons for GREEN CLASS 14:00 – 15:00	SQUAD - Parents to collect their child at 16:30 from Old Deer Park or back at school at 16:45.	
Fri 13 September	Swimming lesson for VIOLET Parents to drop children to the pool for 08:45 Green, Blue and Indigo	Green, Blue and Indigo to WEAR KIT TO SCHOOL: trainers, long navy socks, navy shorts/skorts, navy polo	
	Games lesson 13:30 – 14:50	top, FULL Unicorn tracksuit, SHIN PADS and water bottle.	
	Games address: Barnes Hockey Pitch, Dan Mason Dr, Chiswick, London W4 2SH	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 14:50.	

Lunch Menu

Week commencing 9 September

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Morning Break	Waffles (G, E, D)	Cheese and crackers (G, D)	Courgette & chia seed Cake (G, E)	Mixed fruit flapjack (G)	Cheese sandwich (G, D)
Mains	Chilli con carne with Tortilla chips	Pork sausages Creamy mash potato Gravy (G, Sp)	Chinese Theme Day Chicken kung pao (S)	FILIPINO SPECIAL DAY Chicken inasal Pancit bihon	Roasted chicken thighs With BBQ sauce
Vegetarian Option	Three bean chilli with Tortilla chips	Vegan sausages Creamy mash potato Gravy (V)	Mapo tofu (S) Steamed rice Sauted vegetables Garlic green beans	Spring rolls (S) Chopsuey	Mediterranean vegetable Pasta bake (G, D)
Sides	Steamed rice, sweetcorn Sweetcorn salsa, Soured cream + Salad bar	Garden peas Baked beans + Salad bar	+ Salad bar	+ Salad bar	Jersey royal potatoes Steamed broccoli Braised cabbage + Salad bar
Dessert	Chocolate and raspberry Mousse (D) + fresh fruit	Orange and strawberry jelly + fresh fruit	Chinese mango pudding (D) + fresh fruit	Coconut fruit salad Mango cake (G) + fresh fruit	Mango or strawberry Yoghurt (D) + fresh fruit

Contains: G = Gluten D = Dairy E = Egg F = Fish

M = Mustard S = Soya SF = Seafood SP = Sulphite