Dear Mums, Dads, Carers, staff, governors, friends & colleagues

We have had a fabulous half term and the children continue to make outstanding progress across the school. We hope you have a restful and enjoyable half term break.

Mrs Maharasingam
Headteacher

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A VISIT FROM THE EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER AT HASELTINE FRIDAY 6TH FEBRUARY

“Dear Naheeda,

What an absolute pleasure it was to visit the exceptional learners at Rathfern. Every one of them displayed a deep understanding and enthusiasm for their learning. The books reflected a lot of pride, progress and reinforced what we saw in terms of the depth of understanding. Rathfern is a place for learners, led by learners. What an amazing school to grow and develop.”

Jeanette Brumby
Parent of a child in Year One

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PARENT OF A CHILD IN YEAR ONE

“I also meant to say that I was so pleased to see the impact your highly visible efforts have had on lateness in last week's newsletter. It must be particularly gruelling for you and your team in the winter weather so it's so great that it's succeeding!

Best wishes”

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INDIAN KATHAK DANCE WORKSHOP

We are pleased to inform you that the Indian Kathak Dance Workshop will be returning on Wednesday 25th February. Lessons are £3 per child and until 4.30pm in the main school top hall. If your child is interested, please ask for a letter from the school office if you have not received one this week.

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HIGH 5 NETBALL COACHING

“On Tuesday 3rd February, Rathfern were very lucky to have Janet Lettman, an experienced coach from Raiders Netball Club visit us. Janet worked with a group of enthusiastic Year 5 pupils, taking them through new drills and sharing some exciting game practice. We are hopeful that our Year 5’s will represent the school team very well in the future.”

Miss Sophie (PE Teacher)

“It was exciting to learn from an experienced coach how I can exceed my best in netball. I will be practising everything I learnt and hopefully represent Rathfern in netball soon.”

Rhea Goode-Dias (Galaxy class)
LEWISHAM DANCE SHOWCASE
Rathfern’s after school dance club will be showcasing their talents at Lewisham Dance Showcase on **Wednesday 4th March**. If you would like to come along to watch and support, tickets are already on sale for the showcase and can also be purchased by calling the Box Office on: **020 8690 0002** or book online here: [http://broadwaytheatre.ticketsolve.com/shows/873527337/events?show_id=873527337](http://broadwaytheatre.ticketsolve.com/shows/873527337/events?show_id=873527337)

MORRIS DANCING
Morris dancing will be coming to Rathfern on **Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th May** for KS1 and KS2. We are very excited! During the day we will explore the traditional British dancing style of Morris dancing. There is also a session for mums, dads and carers on **Tuesday 12th May**! If this is something you may be interested in, please speak to Miss Rachel.

FRIENDS OF RATHFERN
Hope you enjoyed our Café last week - we had a great turnout. Many thanks to the Friends who helped out and Claire, Laura and Zoe for baking some delicious cakes. Have a great half term and see you on the other side!

**QUIZ NIGHT** Friday 27th February 7.30 - 9.30pm at the Honor Oak Pub (corner of St German’s Rd and Brockley Rise). Join us for a fabulous fun-packed quiz night. Tickets cost £3 each via the school office.

**PLAY in teams of 2-4 people, cash prize for the winning team.**

**SELF-PORTRAIT TEA-TOWELS** are available for **£3.50** and are on display in the school office. These are a lovely keepsake featuring pictures of your child and all their friends.

**EASYFUNDRAISING:** We've raised nearly **£150** this way - don't forget to shop online via [easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofrathfern](http://easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/friendsofrathfern)

You can find out more about our events and how you can get involved:

Online at: [friendsofrathfern.com](http://friendsofrathfern.com)

On Facebook at: [facebook.com/friendsofrathfern](http://facebook.com/friendsofrathfern)

Join our mailing list at: [forathfern@gmail.com](mailto:forathfern@gmail.com)

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**SCHOOL ATTENDANCE 9/02/15 - 12/02/15**

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BICYCLES & SCOOTERS
Please ensure your child’s bicycle / scooter is locked up in the designated area.

The school cannot accept responsibility if they are lost or stolen.

Thank you
OUTSTANDING LEARNERS

- Cohesion AM (Nursery) - Sebi Olaru & Sugana Nanthakumar
- Cohesion PM (Nursery) - Khadijat Olabiyi & Leon Connor
- Kinetic (Reception) - Abdul-Majid Issoufou & Daniel Marshall
- Metamorphosis (Reception) - Zephan Bourne & Jeremih Whyte
  - Energy (Year One) - Jake Connor & Janelle Hiatsi
  - Velocity (Year One) - Jaydon Christian & Keano Yong
  - Shadow (Year Two) - Yasmin Mark-Zeeno & David Ashade
- Electricity (Year Two) - Gabrielle Cousley-Ward & Wahab Correira
- Amoeba (Year Two) - Kiera Groombridge & Johannes Dippenaar
- Cosmos (Year Three) - Sana Parwani & Robert Singh-Riley
- Refraction (Year Three) - Jing Wen Wang & Jesupemisin Bolanle-Amure
  - Reflection (Year Three) - Kawthar Hammoud & Alex Crabtree
    - Nebula (Year Four) - Marques Walker & Sindy Cupi
    - Supernova (Year Four) - Kaiya Beaton & Isaiah Dapaah
- Galaxy (Year Five) - Isabelle Crawford & Suracata Sumareh Touray
  - Sirius (Year Five) - Diany Bouha & Fior Kelly
- Magnetism (Year Six) - Princess Akinloye & Lakshan Senthilkumaran
  - Solar (Year Six) - Rhea Mistry & Stefano Bertero

LEADING CITIZENS

Leading citizens are children in our community who embody our core values and the Rights Respecting charter.

- Cohesion AM (Nursery) - David Maduka & Lily Agugesi
- Cohesion PM (Nursery) - Adoniah Peters & Layla-Rose Stewart
- Kinetic (Reception) - Amari Jackman-Kallo & Mouad Bouhenniba
  - Metamorphosis (Reception) - Aishat Rasheed & Yaad Ali
  - Energy (Year One) - Alex Harding & Emohitae Olufemi
- Velocity (Year One) - Melissa Clayton-Bainbridge & Myica-Audrey Koffi
  - Shadow (Year Two) - Hope Wise & Cindy Wang
- Electricity (Year Two) - Sophia De Pantaleone & Karim Diarrassouba
- Amoeba (Year Two) - Leshaya Monerville & Jaida Benjamin
- Cosmos (Year Three) - Giles Agugesi & Rebecca Bushell
- Refraction (Year Three) - Alba Matos Santana & Nathan Hiatsi
  - Reflection (Year Three) - Valon Hajrizaj & Crissan Marshall
- Nebula (Year Four) - Mekhi Millwood & Hanan Ahmed
- Supernova (Year Four) - Brooke Miller & Lillian Terletska
- Galaxy (Year Five) - Tanya Parrott & Marcella Benson
- Sirius (Year Five) - Aline Kibalabala & Chloe Nding’uri
- Magnetism (Year Six) - Berk Gecsoyler & Lila Archbold
  - Solar (Year Six) - Bethany Wise & David Deliu
## Parent Workshops

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## Class Assemblies

- **Thursday 5th March**: Kinetic class at **9.15am**
- **Friday 6th March**: Metamorphosis class at **9.15am**
- **Thursday 12th March**: Energy class at **9.15am**
- **Friday 13th March**: Velocity class at **9.15am**
- **Tuesday 17th March**: Cosmos class at **9.15am**
- **Tuesday 17th March**: Reflection class at **2.50pm**
- **Wednesday 18th March**: Electricity class at **9.15am**
- **Wednesday 18th March**: Refraction class at **2.50pm**
- **Thursday 19th March**: Shadow class at **9.15am**
- **Thursday 19th March**: Supernova class at **2.50pm**
- **Friday 20th March**: Amoeba class at **9.15am**
- **Friday 20th March**: Nebula class at **2.50pm**
- **Wednesday 25th March**: Sirius class at **2.50pm**
- **Thursday 26th March**: Galaxy class at **2.50pm**
INSET DAYS

- Friday 13th February - School closed for children (except Big Sleepover children)
- Monday 20th July

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY: The Big Sleepover (Years 3 & 4)
- MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY: Half Term - children to complete ‘Readathon’ book challenge
- MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY: Children return to school
- TUESDAY 24TH FEBRUARY: Target Setting Meetings (Whole School & Nursery)
- THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY: Target Setting Meetings (Whole School & Nursery)
- MONDAY 2ND MARCH: Nursery Target Setting Meetings
- TUESDAY 3RD MARCH: Nursery Target Setting Meetings
- THURSDAY 5TH MARCH: World book day - children to dress up as book character
  - FRIDAY 13TH MARCH: Red nose day
- FRIDAY 13TH MARCH: Mothers Day Breakfast
- MONDAY 16TH MARCH - FRIDAY 20TH MARCH: Science Week
  - FRIDAY 27TH MARCH: Last day of term
- MONDAY 30TH MARCH - FRIDAY 10TH APRIL: Half Term
- MONDAY 13TH APRIL: Children return to school

SCHOOL TRIPS

- Monday 23rd February: Nursery visit Forest Hill Fire Station
- Monday 23rd February: Year 5 classes visit the Science Museum
- Wednesday 25th February: Theatre trip to see ‘Wicked’. Evening performance open for Years 3 to 6
- Thursday 26th February: Year 2 classes visit The Natural History Museum
- Tuesday 3rd March: Theatre company to work with Year 2 children