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Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you are continuing to keep safe and well.

I want to start by thanking Parents/Carers who have been in touch expressing their solidarity and asking us to support the children to express their feelings about the murder of George Floyd in America.

This unspeakable injustice, on top of so many others, has moved us all - prompting us to think about what this means for our school and our world.

At Rathfern we are committed to social action which empowers every young person to stand up to injustices wherever they are. This commitment of our learning community is driven by moral purpose: which is an acknowledgement, recognition and identification of inequality in our society and across the globe.

We will continue to support your children and each other to challenge all forms of racist discrimination. We stand united in our commitment to tackle and challenge racism, address inequality and call out discrimination.

## Phased and Gradual Reopening

It was a joy to see more than 24 Year 1 return to school on Thursday 11th June.

The team of premises staff, teachers and support staff are working tirelessly to ensure the buildings safe by implementing the protective measures as advised by the government and our health and safety advisors (e.g soap in each classroom, moving the medical room, social distance spots in the playground and outside for parents, PPE for medical staff, training, building checks, switching off hand dryers etc.)

Next week we look forward to welcoming Reception on Monday 15th June.

## Virtual Q & A's for parents of children in Year 2,3,4 and 5

Thank you very much to parents who joined is for the virtual Q & A's. We look forward to



welcoming pupils in Years 2,3,4 & 5 for a two-hour meeting with their teacher to have closure on the year . Where possible, we also hope to organise for your child's new teacher to be present on the day. We will send details of times and dates to you next week. The meetings will start in week beginning the 22nd June and go through until July. They will all take place on Wednesdays.

## Google Meet

We will be ensuring pupils who are not in school will have a weekly Google Meet from June 22nd. Details will be posted on your child's Google Classroom.

## Rathfern's SDG exhibition

Ms Sinead has worked tirelessly and expertly across the school to develop your children's love of art and artistic skills. Here is a sneak preview of some of the pieces she has started to put together for our SDG exhibition of your children's Art.

See some elements

Photos of the exhibition: <https://drive.google.com/open?id=1vK3ym5ocXzpvacXIWIPv4tv3Zeu9IMmX>

## Summer reading challenge

What is this year's theme?

This year, Silly Squad, the Summer Reading Challenge 2020, will celebrate funny books, happiness and laughter. Children taking part in the challenge will join the Silly Squad, an adventurous team of animals who love to have a laugh and get stuck into all different kinds of funny books! You can join the challenge by copying and pasting the following link <https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/join-in>

Click [here](#) for the launch party information - taking place today Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June!

## School Assemblies

Mrs Maharasingam's School Assemblies will be zoom meets from Monday 22nd June

More details to follow

We are looking for Cooking Champions

Please send us recipes and photos of any delicious creations and we can add them to Mrs Maharasingam's Google classroom so others can try them at home!

Have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Maharasingam



# OUTSTANDING LEARNERS

## Nursery

**Riya**, for putting so much effort into her singing this week, and for showing such enthusiasm while taking part in other activities on Google Classroom

## Reception :

**Eli** for great engagement and creativity in his English learning, when making a prediction.

**Dominion** for excellent effort with letter formation!

**Eva Campos** for putting lots of effort into her learning.

## Year 1

**Nimota** for putting lots of effort into all of her learning.

**Zihao** for his effort in his maths learning.

## Year 2

Cherry Blossom: **Semariah, Abigail and Michael**

Hazel: **Samuel, Ella-Renae and Cesar**

## Year 3

Sycamore: **Tofunmi, Nevaeh, Savannah**

Guelder Rose: **Minnie, Kaliyah, Zhong-Hao**

## Year 4

*For consistently showing great commitment and dedication to their online learning.*

**Sweet Chestnut Class:** Yanislav, Jeniela, Vanessa, Christopher

**Eucalyptus Class:** Maya, Lateef, Nicolas



## Year 5

Magnolia Class:

**Ava** - for persevering with her learning, maintaining a positive attitude and challenging herself.

**Yaad** - for persevering with his learning and maintaining a positive attitude which has enabled her to produce a good standard of learning consistently

Juniper Class:

**Amari** has shown perseverance by increasing her amount of submitted learning over time. Not only this, but it is clear to see she is taking her time and not rushing through learning, as shown by her answers. Well done!

## Year 6

Well done to all children who participated in their transition google meets this week. All of you were very well regulated and shared some wonderful insights into your feelings and memories of primary school.

**Mylca-Audrey**- Produced outstanding home learning this week. She wrote a balanced argument draft alongside fantastic research.

**Kacper**- Created and conducted his own Science experiment from home that investigated light refraction. He showed excellent scientific understanding.

**Micah**- Conducted his own Science investigation on refraction and presented his results exceptionally well in a PowerPoint.

**Robert**- Brilliant attitude in school since his return. He also performed wonderfully in his second opera lesson.

