**Be Safe, Be Kind, Aim High**

**Literacy**
- **Reading**
  - RWI reading groups will continue until the summer holidays and the majority of children will continue to have the previous week’s book sent home for additional practice on a Tuesday. Books will be collected back in on a Thursday.

- **Writing**
  - We will be revisiting poetry and creative writing this term, using our castles and knights topic as a stimulus. We will also explore and create posters.
  - Weekly focussed handwriting lessons will also continue. These focus on letter formation, letter sizing and developing a greater awareness of where different letters sit on the writing line.

- **Listening and Talking**
  - Weekly circle time sessions will continue, which provide the children with the chance to discuss a range of topics. We will also have 1 more show and tell session before the holidays, on Monday 3rd June.

**Numeracy and Maths**
- In numeracy we are continuing to develop our understanding of numbers to 100 and are revisiting subtraction, developing skills and strategies for solving more challenging questions.
  - We will be beginning to explore multiplication and division, making links to the work we have already done this year on fractions and number doubles.

- In maths lessons we will be exploring 2d and 3d shapes. This will include naming a range of 2d and 3d shapes and exploring and talking about their properties using language such as faces, sides, corners and edges.

- We will also be learning about money, with a focus on identifying coins and notes up to £5, using the £ and p sign, calculating change from 20p and calculating totals and different ways of making an amount up to 20p.

**Health and Wellbeing**
- In PE we will be taking part in a range of athletics activities and will also be developing our striking and fielding skills, applying these to a range of bat and ball games. This will include us getting some taster sessions from an all stars cricket coach.

- In circle time we will continue to explore a range of topics including feelings, friendship and solving problems. As we move towards the summer holidays we will also have a focus on “moving on” as the children prepare to move into primary 3.

**Other curricular areas**

**Primary 2 Term 4 May 2019**

- **Dates to look out for:**
  - Monday 13th – Friday 17th May – Health Week.
  - Tuesday 14th May – Sports Day.
  - Friday 17th May – Sports Day Reserve Date.
  - Monday 20th May – Staff In-Service Day (school closed to pupils).
  - Tuesday 21st May and Wednesday 22nd May – Parent Consultations.
  - Thursday 30th May – Class trip to Craigmillar Castle.
  - Wednesday 19th June – Wider Achievement Assembly.
  - Friday 28th June – Last Day of Term.

- **Other information:**
  - Maths homework will continue to be sent out on a Monday and will be due in by the Friday of the same week. Reading will be sent home Tuesday – Thursday. Please ensure your child comes to school with their book bag every day.
  - A reminder that we ask that toys are not brought into school from home as these can becoming a distraction for some pupils and we don’t want toys getting lost or broken either.
  - Please ensure your child’s name is on all school clothing, particularly jumpers/ cardigans and PE kit items. This helps us to return misplaced items to the correct child and also reduces the risk of these items being lost.
  - PE will be on a Thursday afternoon and in the better weather we also may go outside and use the MUGA for an additional lesson on a Monday afternoon.
  - Our school library slot is on a Friday. Pupils will continue to have the opportunity to choose a school library book to take home with them. Please ensure these books are brought to school on a Friday so your child can either renew the book or return it and choose a new one. If any books go missing please let the school know ASAP.