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Dear Parent and Carers.

We hope you have had a lovely October break and we can't believe we are already into Term 2 of our learning. Below we have shared an outline of the learning in your child's class, helping us to work together to achieve the best for our children.

Primary 4 – Term 2

We are learning:

Health and Wellbeing

We will have a particular focus on being a great friend this term. We will be covering a variety of topics regarding this during 'Anti Bullying Week' and at our Rookie Rockstars' workshops.

In P.E, we will be working on ball skills. This will include exploring tennis, basketball and bench ball.

Finally, we are very excited to start swimming lessons on Wednesday 22rd November. This will be a 12 week block of lessons aimed to help children of all swimming ability progress their skills further.

Literacy

In writing, we are working on discursive and persuasive pieces. We are also forming opinions and supporting this with relevant evidence.

During reading, we are learning to ask a variety of questions based on the text and answer them with confidence.

We will also be working on our communication skills when presenting information to the class about a significant historical figure.

Numeracy and Mathematics

This term we will experience a range of active numeracy experiences to explore the following topics:

Place Value
Number Sequences
Addition and Subtraction
Multiplication and Division
Fractions, percentages and
decimals

Our maths topic this term are time and money, supported by Mrs Thomson on Wednesdays.

Ethos and Wider Life of the School

Wider Curriculum classes will continue to run in term 2. Pupils will stay in their term 1 classes to benefit from two more sessions. The sessions range from tennis, aboriginal art, German, coding and quilling.

We look forward to Rookie Rockstars – a week long, creative arts programme. This stars 13th November and children will experience a variety of sessions before preparing for a concert to display their learning on Wednesday 22nd November.



Opportunities for Wider Achievement

This term, a range of Extra Curricular clubs will be running after school, and lunchtime. Please use the letter sent home this week to sign up for lunchtime and after school clubs this term.

Learning across the Curriculum

In term 2, our class topic will be The Romans. This will give the class an opportunity to explore a historical period and compare it to how we live today.

Discrete Subjects

This term, in French, we will be revising the months of the year and numbers. We look forward to choosing a song for an Assembly, learning it and then teaching it to the other classes.

Key Dates

- 8th & 9th November Parents consultations 13th 17th November Anti Bullying week & **Book Week Scotland**
- 13th 17th November Rookie Rockstars
- 17th November Children in Need Dress down / pyjama day
- 22nd November Rookie Rockstars Concert more information to follow
- 22nd December Christmas Break Starts (normal school finish)
- *Christmas Dates will follow in a Christmas Countdown Calendar