**RME-**

We will continue to look at the stories told by Jesus we will look at parables and other stories with moral lessons. We will have opportunity for discussion to share our own experiences and relate or question the moral messages.

**Expressive Arts (EXA)**

Art- We will look at some topic related art with our resident specialist Mrs Goodwin.

Music: We will be exploring rhythm and beat to listen to and create our own music. We hope to use our talented musicians in the class to help lead some sessions and share their skills.

**Language and Literacy**

**Reading** – Pupils will be reading groups choice of novel and the focus will be on comprehension questions this term. Pupils should also be reminded to focus on their personal rainbow reading targets- please continue to support, celebrate and encourage any and all reading at home.

**Grammar**- Pupils will be working on improving their grammar and re-visiting VCOP to help their writing.

**Writing** – Pupils will be using imaginative writing to write about their own genetically inherited ‘creature’- more information to follow- this is linked to our topic work.

**Spelling** – We will continue with the Spelling workbooks, word of the week and dictation to help our spelling. **Handwriting** –will be worked at only during other writing this term

**Inheritance,**

**Relationships & Parenthood**

**Topic- Inheritance, Relationships & Parenthood**

This term we will be learning about relationships, sexual health and parenthood. We will be approaching this topic through studies of inheritance. By creating our own imaginatively designed creatures which children will have to look after, it is hoped that children will feel more confident and less awkward when we approach human relationships and sexual health education. It also gives more time for us to contextualise the sexual health learning that will not just be a ‘bolt-on’ or standalone series of lessons. This should allow plenty of time for questions from pupils as well as lots of learning in the science of inheritance, and the mathematics of probability!

Please note that this topic will not begin until 02-05-16 as we are completing our engineering project and helping kick off the schools ‘big design week’ during the last week in April. If anyone would like to discuss any concerns or questions then please get in touch.

**Mathematics and Numeracy**

Pupils will be continuing to go through a variety of maths concepts at a reasonably swift pace. We will be revising and learning more about areas in which we need to improve, by weekly testing of all areas of maths. An example of the weekly tests used and the standard of work expected to be achieved by each child will be sent home as homework on 18.04.16. HW will then focus on any gaps before a tougher standard of test is attempted.

**Health and Wellbeing**

This term we will be learning about Relationships, sexual health and parenthood. We will be visiting these lessons through our topic work this term.

In PE we will be focussing on Gymnastics this term, again by popular request from pupils in the class. We will be getting support from the lead PE officer in Midlothian to help challenge and support children in this area.