

ICT



This half term the children will continue to learn about computer programming by creating their own games at their own levels using a fantastic piece of free software called Kodu. This software is very easy to use and the children have already created simple games in just 2 lessons using it. The games that they create look very much like games that are used on the X-Box. We strongly recommend that you download Kodu for the children (and yourselves!) to use at home. It comes with an excellent set of tutorials which walk you through lots of the basics of using Kodu.

<http://www.microsoft.com/download/en/details.aspx?id=10056>

We have also recently found another free piece of software that allows the children to create their own comic strips - again it is very easy to use and very effective!

<http://www.education.vic.gov.au/languagesonline/games/cartoon>

Topic Work

Putting Amble on the Map

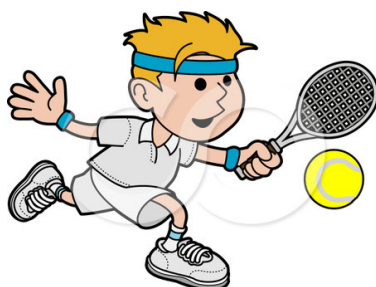


The children will discover where Amble is in the UK and the wider world. They will be learning new skills in reading Ordnance Survey maps.

Further on in the unit, the children will be looking at ways they can improve the environment in their local area as well as looking at a topical issue related to Amble.

PE

PE will continue to be on a Monday afternoon. Please ensure that the children's full PE kit is in school at all times. We will be outside whenever possible so please ensure the children have a change of footwear. This half term, the children will be focussing on ball and net Games.



Literacy

Stories with issues and dilemmas will be our main focus this half term. The children will be watching short films and reading books where a character will be facing a dilemma. This will lead on to the children writing their own story with a dilemma.

Numeracy

We are continuing to focus on multiplication and division this half term. Multiplication and division link to so many other aspects of mathematics so it is essential that the children learn the times tables up to 10x10. Learning tables the fun way - Access at: <http://www.multiplication.com/games>