

# Amble Links First School Penguins Press Release



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## Topic Work

The focus for our topic this term is investigating Amble. They will learn how to locate places using maps of a range of scales and aerial photographs.

Maps will be used to learn about the physical and human features of Amble and discuss the main land uses. The children investigate the changes that have happened in Amble over the years and the reason for these changes.

Find out more about Amble:

http://www.amblenorthumberland.co.uk/heritage.html



## Literacy

'The Bogey Men and The Trolls Next Door' is the focus of our literacy lessons this half term. The children will learn how poetic techniques are used effectively in narrative verse and then use this to write a new story using some of the characters from the story. The children will also learn by heart sections of 'The Bogey Men and The Trolls Next Door' and recite in a class performance.

Towards the end of the half term, the children will be looking at non-fiction based on explanation texts. They will look at the language and organisational features and create their own explanations in a variety of forms.



## Science:

Rocks and Soils are the topic for Science this half term. The children will learn that rocks get broken down into pebbles and soils and they will have different properties. The children will have the opportunity to explain observations about rocks and soils and collect evidence to test ideas. To gain more of an understanding, read all about it:

http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks2/science/materials/rocks\_soils/read/1/

#### Maths

Use Mathletics to practise all aspects of mathematics. Remember, you can play against people from all over the world!

http://www.mathletics.co.uk/

The aspects of mathematics taught this half term are:

<u>Arithmetic 1</u>: Vertical additions and subtractions with tricky columns and using a grid for long division.

<u>Geometry:</u> Draw and label axes and plot coordinates

<u>Data and Measure:</u> Drawing grids and bar charts accurately and time

Arithmetic 2: Solving word problems

Reasoning: Calculating a product of two numbers

### Music: Clarinets

I hope you enjoyed the performance last half term. The children have played superbly...learning much in a few short weeks! The children will continue learning even more notes this half term ready for their next performance!

#### PΕ

Children will be developing their striking skills this half term using different sized balls as well as learning about placement and accuracy. In playing games, the children will be using a range of simple attacking and defending tactics and adapt, refine or change rules to suit the game they are playing or making up.

#### RE

This term we will be focussing on Sikhism. Over the next few weeks our RE lessons will mainly focus on Guru Nanak: the founder of Sikhism. The children will learn about his early life and how he went on to spread the word about God. Use this website to find out about Sikhism: <a href="http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/homework/religion/sikhism.html">http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/homework/religion/sikhism.html</a>