



# PUFFIN POST

Autumn 2 2014



## Bonfire Night

We will begin this half term by learning how and why we celebrate Bonfire Night. We will be finding out about King James I, Guy Fawkes and his attempt to blow up the Houses of Parliament.

We will be creating rockets and firework pictures and considering how to keep ourselves safe.

You could use the following website to find out more:

<http://resources.woodlands-junior.kent.sch.uk/customs/guy/>



## Around the World

Through our topic Around the World we will use world maps to identify countries, continents and oceans. We will identify the location of hot and cold areas of the world in relation to the Equator, and the North and South Poles. Through our work we will use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical and human features of a variety of countries around the world.

We will take a closer look at Africa, finding out about the people and culture of Kenya; exploring the landscapes, climate and weather in Kenya and looking at differences and similarities between Kenya and the UK.



## Literacy

Our Literacy will be taught through our topics this half term. We will be looking at the structure of the story of the Gunpowder Plot and using this to retell it in our own words. We will be identifying the features of information texts through our topic Around the World. We will be identifying facts and using headings and sub-headings to organise information. We will be enjoying a variety of fiction texts from settings around the world.

We will also continue to secure and further develop our phonic knowledge through Read, Write, Inc.



## Christmas

The Puffins favourite time of year! This year our work will include learning about Christingle and the Russian folktale 'Baboushka and the Three Kings'.

Look out for dates for our party and performances on the weekly newsletters.



## Mathematics

**Number:** we will use  $<$ ,  $>$  and  $=$  to compare and order no's from 0 up to 100 and recognising the place value of each digit in a 2-digit number. We will add and subtract numbers using concrete objects, pictorial representations and mentally. We will calculate mathematical statements for multiplication and division and write them using  $\times$ ,  $\div$  and  $=$ .

Support your child with multiplication using the following site: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/ks1/maths/multiplication/play/>

**Data, measure and statistics:** we will be learning to tell the time to the hour and half past the hour and draw the hands on a clock face to show these times. We will interpret and construct simple pictograms, tally charts, block diagrams and simple tables.

**Geometry:** we will identify and describe properties of 2D and 3D shapes including line symmetry.



## PE

This half term we will be completing our dance unit of African Animals and completing a four week unit on multi-skills to develop our agility, balance and co-ordination.



Visit our website at: [www.amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk](http://www.amblelinks.northumberland.sch.uk) for lots more information!!

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