



# PUFFIN POST

Autumn 1 2013



## Literacy

We will be continuing to teach reading and writing in small groups through the Read, Write, Inc programme.

Some of our Y2 pupils will be beginning literacy lessons. We will begin by using non-fiction texts to find out about Puffins and writing our own short factual accounts. We will then be looking at stories with familiar settings. We will be identifying the main character and setting in a story and re-enacting stories, sequencing the main events and using phrases from the texts.



To support your child with reading and phonics have a look at the following website. You can register for free and have access to lots of free e-books at a variety of reading levels

[www.oxfordowl.co.uk/home/reading-owl/reading](http://www.oxfordowl.co.uk/home/reading-owl/reading)

## Maths

This year we are introducing 'Maths Makes

**Maths Makes Sense**

Sense', a carefully designed maths programme that uses special vocabulary, physical actions and real objects to help every child to succeed in Maths.



To find out more about how it works and see it in action in the classroom watch a video clip using the following link:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TpEzDEvVh84>

## Me, My School and Beyond

This half term we will be learning all about ourselves, our family and friends; and our school and local area. We will begin by looking at ourselves and it would be helpful if your child knew the day and month of their birthday.



In Science we will be concentrating on Health and Growth. You can support your child with their learning by having a go at the activity on BBC Schools Science clips:

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/6\\_7/health\\_growth.shtml](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/scienceclips/ages/6_7/health_growth.shtml)

As part of our learning about the local area pupils will need to know their own address. You can support your child by helping them to learn the number of their house and the name of the street they live in.



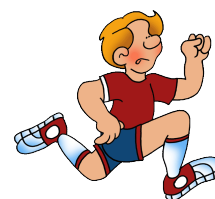
## Swimming

Swimming is an important part of the curriculum at Amble Links. Puffins swim every Thursday and we ask for a contribution of £2 each week towards the cost of lessons. Please ensure your child remembers to bring a swimming costume and towel to school every Thursday.



## PE

Puffins PE day is a Friday. Please can you make sure your child has shorts and t-shirt in school on this day each week. We encourage pupils to leave their PE bag on their peg for the half term to make it easier for them. This half term we will begin with Games; developing our skills of throwing and catching.



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

"Everyone succeeds at Amble Links."