



Bamburgh Class – Spring Term 1 2024

We hope you've had fabulous Christmas break and are well rested ready to start a new term.

Topic – Across the USA!

Our topic 'Across the USA' will continue this half term. Through our topic we will be exploring the United States of America. We will be encouraging children to be curious about the world around them and ask questions. During the term children will carry out a range of activities related to our topic of across the curriculum. Please see our topic web for further information.

Phonics and Reading

Children will participate in daily sessions of phonics, guided reading, handwriting and spelling.

Reading Books

Your child will bring home three books a week. We ask that children read each book a minimum of two times, as rereading is an essential part of learning to read. Books will be changed on a Friday this half term.

Spellings

Your child will have weekly spellings to learn. The spellings are available on the school website and a paper copy of the spellings will also be sent home in the first week of term in your child's blue reading folder. We will have a spelling check every Friday.

PE

PE will be on Tuesday and Thursday. In Year 1 we ask that children come to school in their PE kit on these days. We would also ask that your child's P.E. kit and school uniform items are **clearly named**, as we cannot return unnamed items.

Water Bottles

Please ensure your child has a named water bottle to use in school.

Ways to help your child:

- Encourage your child to play on Numbots.
- Read stories to your child, to develop the love of reading.
- Listen to your child read on a daily basis.
- Help your child to learn all their phonic sounds.
- Carry out spelling activities and learn weekly spellings. Your child could use Spelling Shed games and resources to practice their spellings.
- Visit the library to look for books to support our topic.
- Play English and math games on our virtual learning environment at <u>www.school360.co.uk</u>.

We look forward to another fun filled term with new & exciting learning experiences.

Kind regards

Miss Richardson