

Steam Mills Primary School

Curriculum Overview

Steam Mills follows the National Curriculum of 2014. We follow a themed approach, planning **activities** that will engage the children and promote our key drivers: **Aspiration, Enterprise and Knowledge of the World.**

The school upholds the British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, mutual respect and tolerance of those from different beliefs and faiths through all that it does and teaches children to respect each other.

Our topics in school are set out below; more detailed planning can be found on the class pages.

Years 1 and 2

School Days	Poles Apart	Get Out of My Swamp!	Toys	Flight
The Home Front	Indian Spice	Wonder Women	London's Burning	Pioneers

Years 3 and 4

Meet the Flintstones	Extreme Survival	Tomb Raiders	Transport	China
Roman Rule	The world's Kitchen	Crime and Punishment	Reign over us	Britain From the Air

Years 5 and 6

Invaders	Wild Water	Mexico and the Mayans	Britain at Play	Walls and Barricades
Rule Britannia	Disaster	Greece Lightning	Yes Minister!	Out of This World

Reading

The school uses a number of reading schemes throughout the school; the children first meet Bug Club books which support their work in Phonics and then work through The Magic Key series alongside the Collins Big Cat books. Children are provided with a log in for Bug Club which allows them to access books electronically at home alongside some fun activities!

Phonic lessons take place Monday – Thursday between 9.00am and 9.30am using Bug Club. Children are taught according to their ability and are assessed each half term. Once they have completed the programme, they will join Punctuation, Spelling and Grammar groups.

To support children who find reading a little tricky, we use the CODE reading scheme which is an engaging, exciting range of books.