



Steam Mills Primary

06.06.2025



Dear Parents/Carers

Class 4 Trip

Class 4 had a lovely trip to the Bristol Museum and Art Gallery on Tuesday. As usual the children were a credit to Steam Mills and made the most of the workshop and enjoyed viewing the artwork.



Relationships & Health Education Lessons

Relationships and Health Education lessons will be taking place in the summer term. If you would like to find out more information, you can check the Relationships and Health Education Policy available on the school website.

[Steam Mills Primary School - Policies](#)

Diary Dates

Summer Term 2025

28th April-21st July

Half Term

26th May - 30th May

INSET days:

21st July

Diary Dates (incl. Federation events) June

10th Federation Trip to Houses of Parliament

11th Class 3 Trip to Caerleon

12th Cyber Bullying Session for Parents – 2pm

13th Sports Morning

19th Y5/6 to Woodside for Federation Sports - TBC

20th Judo Sessions for all classes

23rd Bump up Morning

24th Bump up Morning

27th Class 2 Trip to SS Great Britain Summer Fayre

30th Five Acres Welcome Week

July

1st Extra Bump up morning EYFS, KS1 and Class 3

8th Extra Bump up morning EYFS&KS1

9th Class 3 Violin Performance

14th KS2 Performance Dress Rehearsal

15th KS2 Parents Performances 9:30am and 5:30pm

17th FoSM Summer Disco

18th Year 6 Leavers Service (pm)– details TBA

Last Day of Term for children

21st Inset Training Day

September

1st Inset Training Day

2nd Start of Term 1

Sponsored Walk

Congratulations to all those who participated in the Sponsored Walk on the last afternoon of term and thank you to those who have already donated sponsor money. A special well done to the Prostar's Club members and staff who also worked back to school!

You are welcome to donate via the FoSM Just Giving page or hand in cash at the school office. Here is the link and QR code :

https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/steammills-primaryschool?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL



Sports Morning – Friday 13th June

Sports morning will be taking place next Friday, 13th June, weather dependent! PE kits will be sent home on Thursday and children should wear these to school on this day, please also apply sunscreen before school, remember drinks bottles and a hat. All parents/carers are welcome to join us from 9:15am on the playing field opposite the car park, the children will start races with the youngest children first (Nursery, Class 1 and Class 2) and the older children will make their way out a little later (approx: 10:15am). Please note that if it is a hot morning, there is limited shade on the field and you are welcome to bring a parasol and you may also like to bring a chair or picnic blanket to sit on. Races are expected to finish by midday.



Violin Performance

Class 3 have been having violin lessons for the last few weeks and this will continue through the summer term. They will be performing as a class on Wednesday 9th July at 11:40. Parents are welcome to join us for the performance in the school hall. Please arrive at 11:30 for a 11:40 start. Thank you.

Breakfast Club/After School Club

Please could we remind parents to keep their ParentPay accounts in credit at all times. Please check that you have credited upon making your booking. Regular debt could result in your child being refused these important services. Thank you.



Advance Warning – Demolition of Pavilion (on playing fields) 30th June – 11th July

Just to warn all users that the track will be accessed by the demolition team during this period and there will be a lot of 2 way traffic. We have agreed with Cinderford Town Council that the start time be delayed each day until 9:30am so that Drop & Go can still be used, but please at all other times, during this period, use the usual school access (car park gate), rather than the track.

Class Snippets

There are no class snippets this week but would like to say how well all the children have returned to school after the half-term break. We are all looking forward to a busy last term of the school year and look forward to seeing you at various events over the Summer Term, please do keep checking our diary dates at the start of this newsletter.



School Uniform

Please could we reiterate the school uniform policy. You can find this and lots of other useful information in our Parent Handbook which can be found on the school website :

Uniform

School Uniform can be purchased from MyClothing or School Trends online.

- Burgundy sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan preferably with school logo
- Black or grey trousers or skirts.
- White shirt or burgundy polo shirt, burgundy T-shirt with school logo for PE.

- Black White or grey socks or tights.
- Burgundy or red and white gingham dress or skirt for girls in the summer.
- Children may wear appropriate black or grey tailored shorts.
- Black shoes must be sensible and robust enough for outside play; no flip-flops or Crocs in the summer, for example.
- We prefer appropriate sports trainers for outside PE rather than daps.

PE Kits

It is essential for hygiene and routine that children have a change of clothing and footwear for all PE sessions. We are finding that children either do not have a kit in school, are missing various items or sometimes have a kit but it is not the correct uniform. We thought it may be helpful to list items needed and please could parents/carers ensure that these are in school **all week** to avoid any confusion. This is a vital part of the school curriculum and as with all subjects' children need to be prepared and ready to learn.

- **Black/dark shorts, joggers or leggings**
- **White or Burgundy t-shirt**
- **PE trainers**



CoolMilk

Did you know that you can order subsidised milk for your child once they turn 5 years of age? All children have free milk when they join Pre-school or Reception class but they lose this once they are 5 and some really miss it 😞



Parent/Carer Checklist

It would be helpful if Parents/Carers could run through a daily checklist before school, to ensure that your child/ren are ready for the school day. This would reduce the amount of phone calls home the school has to make and also reduce anxieties for your child/ren. The school expects the older children to start taking responsibility for some of these things themselves. As an example:

- **Lunch booked or packed lunch from home**
- **Drink bottle**
- **PE kit or swimming kit when needed**
- **Homework**
- **No jewellery**
- **Reading book**
- **Correct uniform and coat – please ensure all uniform is worn correctly**
- **No personal/unnecessary items from home**



Contact with School/Class Teacher

If you have a class-based query, please contact your child's teacher in the first instance via the school office. Please be assured that teachers will respond, but not necessarily on the same day. Teachers are not expected to respond whilst they are teaching or beyond 5pm; your patience is appreciated.

Beezee Summer Programme Questionnaire 

This year, as part of Beezee's ongoing development, we are looking to launch a new summer programme for families!


To help us plan this programme, we are seeking help from the people most important to us - YOU, the community! Your thoughts, feelings and experiences are at the heart of what we do, and by taking part in this feedback, you will be helping families and communities to access our support and to elevate the voices and needs of the Gloucestershire communities.

The questionnaire takes less than 3 minutes to complete!

The feedback you provide us with will be treated anonymously.



Cyber Safety



For Parents

Cyber Safety Parents Edition.


In an era where technology intertwines seamlessly with our daily lives, ensuring the cyber safety of our children has become paramount.

As the digital landscape continues to evolve, so do the challenges and opportunities it presents. This engaging presentation is crafted exclusively for parents, offering vital insights into the world of cyber safety.

Arm yourself with knowledge, discover practical tips, and join us on a journey to empower and protect our children in the ever-expanding digital realm.

Let's build a safer online environment together!

www.gloucestershire.police.uk



**Parent Cyber Safety Session –
12th June @ 2pm**

SEND Community Café

Do you want to find advice, support, guidance and information on offer to you in the Forest of Dean?



→ Forest Gate Church New Road
Mitcheldean **GL17 0BX**

→ Wednesday, 25 June 2025. 1-3 pm



Join us to meet others and chat to services who can offer you and your family support over a cuppa and cake.



As always, please do let us know if you have any questions or queries. We do also encourage parents/carers to let us know if they have any suggestions of events or activities that you would like to see in school.

Our Safeguarding, Behaviour, Complaints and other policies are available on our school website.