

**ISLE OF WIGHT STEAM RAILWAY** The steam railway at Havenstreet is a living, breathing, working museum with beautifully restored Victorian and Edwardian carriages, often hauled by 19th Century locomotives, that take the visitor on a leisurely 10 mile journey through the Island's unspoilt countryside.

There is a dedicated education room, a children's play area and a Woodland Walk. Since 2014, the Museum's displays about the history of the railways on the Isle of Wight have been augmented by the enormous, Heritage Lottery-funded, 'Train Story' hangars which provide a comprehensive insight into the history of Victorian and Edwardian rail travel. The Railway has excellent wheelchair access and ample parking facilities. A mixture of pre-visit, on-site and post-visit activities, are also available, differentiated by age and ability.



## **KS1 - Oh We Do Like To Be Beside The Seaside!**

Pupils will explore original and replica artefacts to discover how seaside holidays have changed within living memory including a fantastic example of a carriage that was used as a holiday chalet at Thorness Bay in the 1950s. They will learn how rail travel on the Isle of Wight has changed: using film, photographs and investigating the trains of the Steam Railway. To conclude, pupils will experience the sounds and smells of steam travel first hand during an exhilarating ride on one of the trains.

**Curriculum Links: History, Science & English**

## **KS1 & KS2 - The Age Of Steam**

Pupils will learn about the Age of Steam and find out how rail links and land transport have changed over time on the Island: using film, photographs and the trains on display. At the end of the session they will, experience the sights, sounds and smells of the steam age, first hand, and be transported back in time with a ride on one of the steam trains.

**Curriculum Links: History, Science & English**



## **KS2 - World War Two & The Home Front**

Although we run an Evacuee Week in June each year, we are also offering a new Home Front workshop throughout the year. The workshop is designed to help students understand what it might have been like to be evacuated to the Island during the early stages of the Second World War, via a train journey from Havenstreet, including a simulated waving off. Additionally, there will be a rotating series of workshop activities including stirrup pump drill, an air raid practice and investigating original wartime artefacts.

**Curriculum links: History, English, Geography & Citizenship**



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