



The Ruskington Chestnut Street CofE Primary

The Cornerstones Curriculum



At The Ruskington Chestnut Street Cof E Primary we use the Cornerstones curriculum to support the planning of an exciting and engaging curriculum. Cornerstones follows the National Curriculum objectives and helps us to think of creative ways to teach these in our classrooms.

There are four stages in this approach:

Engage

- Hook learners in with a memorable experience.
- Set the scene and provide the context for learning.
- Ask questions to find out children's interests.
- Provoke children's curiosity using interesting starting points.

Develop

- Teach knowledge to provide depth of understanding.
- Demonstrate new skills and allow time for consolidation.
- Provide creative opportunities for making and doing.
- Deliver reading, writing and talk across the curriculum.

Innovate

- Provide imaginative scenarios that provoke children's creative thinking.
- Enable and assess children's application of previously learned skills.
- Encourage enterprise and independent thinking.
- Provide opportunities for collaborative working and problem solving.

Express

- Provide environments for reflective talk.
- Provide opportunities for shared evaluation.
- Celebrate success.
- Identify next steps for learning.