St Mark's CE Primary School Science Curriculum Map: Forces



Year	National Curriculum	Sticky Knowledge	Vocab
R		Year B Spring	,
K	Introducing simple forces such as push and pull		
	Investigating magnetism		
3	How do forces help us lift, push and pull objects? (Spring 1)		
	Compare how things move on	In order to move or stop, objects have	Push
	different surfaces	forces acting upon them. These include	Pull
	 Notice that some forces need 	contact forces such as pushes and pulls.	Force
	contacts between tow objects, but	 Friction is a force between two surfaces as 	Contact
	magnetic forces can act at a	they move over each other. Friction slows	Surface
	distance	down a moving object. Smooth surfaces	Movement
		usually generate less friction than rough	Friction
		surfaces.	Suitable
		Some surfaces are more suited to	Unsuitable
		different jobs depending on the	Distance
		requirements of the job and the forces	Magnet
		involved. Not all forces require contact. Magnetic	Magnetic
		Not all forces require contact. Magnetic forces can still be observed at a distance.	
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3		ct and repel different materials?	(Spring 2)
	Observe how magnets attract or	Some materials have magnetic properties.	Magnet Pole
	repel each other and attract some	Magnetic materials are attracted to (pull	
	materials and not others.	towards) magnets. • All magnetic materials are metals but not	North pole
	Compare and group together a variety of everyday materials on the	All magnetic materials are metals but not all metals are magnetic.	South pole Bar magnet
	basis of whether they are attracted	Iron is a magnetic metal. Other materials	Horseshoe magnet
	to a magnet and identify some	are non-magnetic, such as wood, dough and	Ring magnet
	magnetic materials.	glass.	Magnetic
	Describe magnets as having two	 Magnets have two poles (north and south). 	Non-magnetic
	poles.	Opposite poles (north and south) attract	Magnetism
	Predict whether two magnets will	each other, while like poles (north and	Repel
	attract or repel each other	north, or south and south) repel each other.	Attract
	depending on which way the poles are		Force
	facing.		Distance
			Strength
5	How do forces make things move or stay still? (Spring)		
	Explain that unsupported objects	Gravity is a force of attraction. Anything	Earth
	fall towards the Earth because of	with a mass can exert a gravitational pull	Gravity
	the force of gravity acting between	on another object. The Earth's large mass	Isaac Newton
	the Earth and the falling object	exerts a gravitational pull on all objects on	Friction
	Identify the effects of air	Earth, making dropped objects fall to the	Surface
	resistance, water resistance and	ground.	Push
	friction that act between moving	Friction, air resistance and water	Pull
	surfaces	resistance are forces that oppose motion	Air resistance
	Recognise that some mechanisms, including laware multiple and a some	and slow down moving objects. These	Parachute
	including levers, pulleys and gears, allow a smaller force to have a	forces can be useful, such as bike brakes and parachutes, but sometimes we need to	Surface area Water Resistance
	greater effect.	minimise their effects, such as	Float
	greater effect.	streamlining boats and planes to move	Sink
		through water or air more easily.	Upthrust
		Mechanisms, such as levers, pulleys and	Buoyancy
		gears, give us a mechanical advantage. A	Lever
		mechanical advantage is a measurement of	Pulley
		how much a simple machine multiplies the	Load
		force that we put in. The bigger the	Effort
		mechanical advantage, the less force we	Pivot
		need to apply.	Gear
			Cog
			Axle