Year 3 Spring 1 Overview

Subject	Focus
English	**Class reading book:** The Iron Man by Ted Hughes. **Writing:** Instructions and Letters. **SPaG:** Imperative verbs, similes and time conjunctions; paragraphs and present perfect verb forms.
Mathematics	Recall and use multiplication and division facts using times tables: x 3, x 4, x 8; Multiply 2-digit numbers by 1-digit numbers; solve multiplication and division word problems. Length and Perimeter.
Science	**Forces and Magnets:** Understand gravity, push/pull, attract/repel, air resistance, working scientifically.
Computing	**Coding**: Using Sequence and Repetition, coding a Music Machine.
Geography	**South America and the Amazon:** Habitats, Protecting the Rainforests.
Design Technology	**Structures:** Packages and designing Shell Structures.
Physical Education	**Gymnastics**: Symmetry and Asymmetry. **Games**: Basketball
RSHE	**Becoming Resilient** - Resilience, highlighting achievements, having goals in life, having a growth mindset and valuing effort.
Music	Samba drumming.
French	Celebrations – birthdays, months and sports day.



Key Vocabulary

Attract
Repel
Gravity
Air resistance
Magnets
Motion
Accelerate
Decelerate
Balanced force
Magnetic
Magnetic field
Friction

RE: Sacrament of Reconciliation

The children will develop their understanding that Jesus called people to change, to turn away from sin and receive the love of God. They will learn that it is not always easy to change and find out about some individuals who changed through the help of Jesus.

They will learn that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is a celebration of God's love and forgiveness and begin to learn an Act of Sorrow. They will learn that Lent is a time to change in order to prepare for Easter.

At home

You could help your children by:

- thinking about how Jesus changes our lives
- reading the story of Zacchaeus