## Edward Peake Church of England Middle School



Science Topic:	Forces		Year 5		Autumn
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What? (Key Vocabulary)				
Spelling	Definition/Sentence			
Streamlined	A shape that presents least resistance to air or water			
Surface	The top layer of something			
Grip	To have a good connection with a surface			
Drag	To cause to slow down			
Centre	The middle			

Diagrams and Symbols					
Diagrams of forces in action					
Push					
Thrust from cyclist					
Water Resistance	Thrust				
	Gravity pulls us towards the centre of the Earth.				

## **Recommended Experiments** A minimum of two experiments should take place during this unit of work with one final written outcome linked to the scientific enquiry skills and approaches used. Identify the effects of air resistance by designing and testing a parachute which would slow a car down a ramp Testing water resistance when swimming (during Year 5 swimming lessons) Recognising the impact of mechanisms on forces when using pulleys, levers and gears during technology lessons Choosing a feature of a spinner to investigate, for example, size of wings, height dropped or number of paper clips

What? (Key Knowledge)					
Forces					
What is a force?	A force is either: push or a pull				
Forces can make things	Speed up, slow down, change shape and change direction				
A force that speeds something up	The child is pushing the car to speed it up				
A force that slows something down	The girls is pulling the dog to slow it down				
A force that changes the shape of something	The can is being squeezed so that it changes shape and becomes smaller				
A force that changes the direction of something	When the ball is hit with the racket, it will change direction				
Types of force					

Magnetism	Attract:	Friction	Friction happens when two     surfaces touch each other	
Magnets attract or repel each other or other objects	Repel:  North and South attract. But North and North or South and South will repel.		<ul><li> Friction gives us grip</li><li> Friction produces heat</li><li> Rougher surfaces slow things down a lot</li></ul>	
Air Resistance	Air resistance slows down moving objects, because air slows you down as you move through it     To travel faster through the air, things need to be streamlined		Smoother surfaces don't slow things down as much	
		Gravity (another force)		
		What is gravity?	Gravity is the forces that <b>pulls</b> objects <b>down</b> towards the centre of the Earth.	
Water Resistance	Water resistance slows down moving objects, because water slows you down as you move through it     To travel faster through the water, things need to be streamlined		Gravity stops things from floating away into space.  When things go into the air (like a football) gravity pulls them back down.	

**Builds on:** learning in Year 3 - Summer - Unit: Sound and Electricity

Learning links

**Leads to:** learning in Year 5 - Summer 2 - Unit: Earth and Space