Key statements:

If we admit we are wrong we can be reconciled with God and one another. This can be formally celebrated in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

A friendship is like a bridge between people - it needs to be strengthened, maintained or repaired.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also called Confession, Penance and Sacrament of Forgiveness.

Year 4

RE: Reconciliation
(Building bridges of friendship)



Key concept:

Catechism of the Catholic Church

Many sins wrong our neighbour. One must do what is possible in order to repair the harm ... but sin also injures and weakens the sinner ... as well as his relationships with God and neighbour.

Key skills:

I will learn what might destroy a bridge of friendship.

I will learn the skills needed to build bridges between people and become friends again.

Key words:

bridges, friendship, contrition, Absolution, Sacrament of Reconciliation, Examination of Conscience, sin, penance, confession



We understand that "sorry" is an

important word.

Reveal: Word of God

Matthew 5: 23-24 So when you are offering your gift at the altar if you remember that your brother or sister has something against you leave your gift before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your brother or sister and then come and offer your gift.

Respond:

I can respond to my learning by thinking about what makes friendships strong, how decisions about friendship are informed by beliefs and values and how bridges of friendship are both built and rebuilt.



Images



At St Mary's we think about our friends and how to treat them. We learn ways of building and strengthening our friendships and understand that there is always the opportunity to rebuild if the friendship gets damaged.



What I have learned already:

I learned in the last RE unit that the Holy Spirit gives courage to spread the Good News and how the new life of the Easter message is spread through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Last half term six of my friends took their First Holy Communion and talked about this Sacrament.

I have learned that God loves everyone and forgives everyone.