## **River View Primary School**



Focus Religions: Judaism and Hinduism Year: 4

**Religious Education** 

## What should I already know to help me make connections and comparisons in my learning?

Symbol of Judaism- Star of David.

A Jewish place of worship is a **Synagogue**.

The Jewish Holy book is called **The Torah** and it is from the Old Testament of the Bible.

Dewish artefacts:

Menorah- Seven branched candlestick.

Kippah-Male prayer cap.

**Tallith-** A prayer shawl.

Yad- A pointer used when reading the Torah scroll.

Supreme Hindu God is **Brahma.** 

Hindu's believe God is everywhere so they can worship at home or in a **Mandir Temple**.

The Hindu **Journey of life** and experiences to complete the goal; *knowledge, meditation, devotion and good work.* 

Hindus believe that God can be seen in a person or an animal. They believe that God is in everybody.

Hindu Artefacts;

**Shrine**- a place to worship at home.

**Puja Tray**- Item for worship; A bell to signal ready to worship the Gods. Incense to carry the prayers to the deity. Water, flowers & fruit to offer to the deity.

**Prayer Beads/Mala**- A string or 108 beads. Used to help focus the mind on meditation.

## What will I know by the end of the unit?

Describe some ways in which Hindus express their faith through **Puja, Aarti** and **Bhajans**.

Explain similarities and differences between Hindu and Judaism worship.

Know that the word 'Dharma' means 'duty' in Hinduism and be able to list these 10 duties.

Know why Jewish people celebrate Pesach/Passover every vear?

Why is Diwali significant to Hindus?

Suggest how and why religious festivals are valuable to many people

Why Mahatma Gandhi is a Hindu Hero?

List links between Hindus helping others and ways in which yourself and people of other faiths and beliefs help others.



Vocabulary					
Hinduism	A religion of many Gods. However all <b>Hindus</b> worship one supreme being who created other Gods to be his helpers.  A follower of <b>Hinduism</b> .				
Hindu					
Brahma	The supreme God who controls everything.				
Diwali	The festival of lights that celebrates the story of <b>Rama</b> and <b>Sita</b> .				
Karma	The belief that how you act in your life affects your next life.				
Mandir Temple	Hindu Temple				
Puja	Worshipping the Gods.				
Arti	Ritual of worship. The offering of light.				
Bhajans	A devotional song.				
Dharma	Hinduism Duty				
Mahatma Gandhi	A non-violent activist. Leader of India's Independence movement. Mahatma means; `Great Soul'.				
The Vedas	Hinduism does not just have one sacred book but several scriptures. The Vedas scriptures guide Hindus in their daily life.				
Judaism	The religion of the Jewish faith.				
Jewish	A follower of Judaism.				
Pesach / Passover	A festival celebrated by Jewish people. To remember when God used Moses to free the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.				
Synagogue	A Jewish place of worship.				
The Torah	The Jewish Holy book from the Old Testament of the Bible.				
God YHWH	Jewish people believe that there is a single God who created the universe.				

## **Key Questions Explored**

L2.5 Why are festivals important to religious communities?

L2.8 What does it mean to be a Hindu in Britain today?