



Year 2 – Autumn 2 – Religious Education – Pupil Knowledge Organiser

WHAT DO I ALREADY KNOW?			WHAT AM I LEARNING NOW?		
• Belonging to communities helps shape our identity. • To belong means to feel like you are a part of a community that cares for you. • Families are our first community. • On Raksha Bandhan siblings exchange gifts representing love and protection. • A belief is something a person thinks is true or important. • A symbol is a picture or thing that stands for something special.			1. What are some key ideas in Hinduism? 2. Why do Hindus do to celebrate Diwali? 3. Why do Hindus have a home shrine? 4. What is the most important part of the home shrine? 5. Why do Hindus do puja? 6. What is the most important part of puja?		
KEY KNOWLEDGE: WHAT HAPPENS IN A HINDU HOME?			KEY VOCABULARY		
 "Namaste" is a greeting, which means "I bow to the divine in you." It is a sign of respect and honour.  Many Hindus pray at the home shrine. It helps them feel calm, positive, and connected to the divine. Each item on the shrine has a special meaning.  Many Hindus are vegetarian because they believe in respect for all life.  Murtis are treated with care and respect because they are symbols of gods and goddesses.  A puja tray is a special tray used to hold items for the ceremony, including: Murtis, Kumkum Powder, and Prashad.  People light lamps, decorate their homes, exchange gifts, and pray.  Hindus pray to Lakshmi during Diwali, hoping for blessings of prosperity and happiness.			Hinduism A religion that believes in Brahman, who appears as different gods and goddesses. Hindu A person who believes in Hinduism. Diwali A festival of lights where people celebrate with family and friends. shrine A special place where people go to pray and show respect to their god(s). worship When people show love/respect to their god(s) through prayers and special actions. prayer A way of talking to god(s). offerings Gifts that people offer to their god(s) during worship. Aarti A Hindu ceremony where people sing and light a lamp in worship. Murtis Statues or images of gods that Hindus worship and honour in their prayers. Prashad The food that is offered to god(s) during worship. bhajans Special songs sung during Hindu worship.		
BELIEVING	THINKING	LIVING			
 If God is everywhere, why might a Hindu person pray at a home shrine?	 How does being kind to all living things change how someone lives?	 What can Diwali teach us about how we celebrate special times?			