

LKS2.CA.T3.1	Area of study: Thinking About God Hinduism Unit aims / outcome: To support the learners to become religiously literate, this unit will provide opportunities to: Identify some of the ways in which religions name and describe attributes of God and make links with belief and practice	
Religious Education concepts to organise knowledge: Belief Values Inspirational People Identity and Diversity		
Key strands of learning:		
Learning in Reception:	Tier 2 <u>New</u> Title Devotion Spiritual connection <u>Review</u> Respect God/Goddess Symbol Ritual Worship	Tier 3 <u>New</u> Murti Ganesh Visnhu <u>Review</u>
SACRE objectives	Vocabulary and crucial knowledge:	
EXPLORE Learners should Be able to identify some of the main features of a chosen religious lifestyle. ENGAGE Be able to explain the meaning of key actions and symbols to a follower in the chosen religious	<p><u>Context of study:</u> This is the second time that the children will have explored the Hindu faith have already looked at this religion during their landmarks in life unit (KS2.CA.T1.2) This topic looks more specifically at Hinduism and the way Hindus worship their Gods/Goddesses. The children will study what the Gods/Goddesses represent and the significance of them. Time will be spent naming the main religions and the children being aware of the key aspects of being religious: believing in God; worshipping God; places of worship and key values. (reviewed all units)</p> <p><u>Crucial Knowledge:</u> Introduction to Names and Titles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Know that people have names to identify and distinguish them from others. • Know that titles like Sir, Lady, and Your Honour are used to show respect and recognition of someone's status, achievements, or position. • Know that titles can be used for people in positions of authority, such as a Head Teacher, or for people who have earned a specific honour, such as Sir Chris Hoy. • Know that a title can reflect someone's character, accomplishments, or role in society. 	

REFLECT Be able to talk about things in their lifestyle which are important to them and which they would like to pass on as a tradition to others

- Know that people are given titles for their contributions to society, such as Sir Chris Hoy’s knighthood for his achievements in cycling.
- Exploring the Concept of God in Hinduism:
- Know that Hindus describe God in many different ways, and some of these Gods and Goddesses are represented through statues or murti.
 - Know that Hindu Gods and Goddesses are often shown with certain symbols or attributes that help tell their story or represent their character.

God/Goddess	Symbols/Attributes	Meaning/Significance
Ganesha	Elephant head	Symbolizes wisdom, understanding, and the ability to clear obstacles.
	Broken tusk	Represents overcoming challenges and adapting to difficult situations.
	Mouse	Symbolizes humility and the ability to conquer even the smallest problems.
	Sweet modaks	Represents the rewards of spiritual wisdom and the joy of enlightenment.
Vishnu	Conch shell (Shankha)	Symbolizes the sound of creation and the universe.
	Discus (Chakra)	Represents the mind, righteousness, and the power to destroy evil.
	Mace (Gada)	Symbolizes strength and the ability to defeat enemies or obstacles.
	Lotus flower	Symbolizes purity, beauty, and the unfolding of spiritual wisdom.

- Know that Hindu worship can include prayer, rituals, and visiting temples where believers show devotion and seek guidance from their Gods.
- Know that the statue or murti of a Hindu God is considered a representation of the divine and helps believers focus their worship and prayers.
- Know that Hindus believe some things in life are more valuable than money, such as love, faith, and spiritual connection with God.
- Know that in Hinduism, each God or Goddess has a specific role or story that is significant to the teachings of the religion – explore their stories.

- Developing Understanding of the Hindu God:
- Know that Hindu Gods and Goddesses have unique qualities and stories that teach important lessons about life and the universe.

- Know that when worshipping a Hindu God, the feelings of devotion, love, and respect are essential to the worship experience.
- Know that a Hindu's connection to God can be personal, and their feelings when worshipping may include awe, peace, and devotion.
- Know that learning about a Hindu God involves asking questions, exploring the character of the deity, and reflecting on the lessons they embody.

Exploring Hindu Worship Practices:

- Know that Hindu worship may involve physical objects like flowers, incense, and offerings as symbols of devotion.
- Know that worshipping a Hindu God often involves performing rituals that help people focus on spiritual growth and connection with the divine.
- Know that understanding the value of sacred objects in Hindu worship helps believers focus on their faith rather than material wealth.

Personal Reflection:

- Know that reflecting on the story of a Hindu God can inspire personal thoughts, feelings, and actions in relation to spirituality.
- Know that children can express what they have learned about Hinduism by writing down thoughts or questions to ask a Hindu believer or God.