



Year 3 Religious Education



Why are festivals important to religious communities?

Prior Learning

- How and why do we celebrate special and sacred times? (Year 1).
- Understand that different religions celebrate different festivals. For example, Christians celebrate Christmas (Y1) and Easter, Muslims celebrate Eid (Y1), Sikhs celebrate Vaisakhi (Y2).
- Identify some ways in which people celebrate festivals.



Sticky Knowledge

- Make connections between stories, symbols and beliefs with what happens in Diwali and Easter.
- Ask questions and give ideas about what matters most to believers in festivals (e.g. Diwali).
- Identify similarities and differences in the way festivals are celebrated within and between religions (Hinduism and Christianity).



Vocabulary

God	A being that is worshipped as being the creator of the world.
Christian	People who follow the religion of Christianity.
Hindu	People who follow the religion of Hinduism.
Easter	A Christian celebration.
Diwali	A festival celebrated by Hindus and Sikhs. The festival is known as the 'festival of light'.
Parable	Stories Jesus told with a special meaning.
Holy Week	The last week of Jesus' life including Good Friday, crucifixion and resurrection.
Disciples	A personal follower of Jesus during his life.
Lakshmi	Hindu Goddess of wealth and good fortune.