

# Year 5 Spring 2 RE Knowledge Organiser



## What place do festivals, worship and celebrations have within Hinduism?

### Star Vocabulary

<b><u>symbolism</u></b>	The use of symbols to represent ideas or qualities.
<b><u>statues</u></b>	A carved or cast figure of a person or animal, especially one that is life-size or larger.
<b><u>calligraphy</u></b>	Decorative handwriting or handwritten lettering.
<b><u>mandala</u></b>	a circular figure representing the universe in Hindu and Buddhist symbolism.
<b><u>mural</u></b>	A painting or other work of art executed directly on a wall.

What I should know already...

What I will learn in the future...

What do sacred texts within Hinduism say about God?

Does religion help us to understand human suffering?

Hindus worship an image, statue, deity or icon. They can be worshipped either at home or in the temple.



### **Individual rather than communal**

Hindu worship is primarily an individual act rather than a communal one, as it involves making personal offerings to the deity. Worshippers repeat the names of their favourite gods and goddesses and repeat mantras. Water, fruit, flowers and incense are offered to God. This is so they are showing respect to these deities/Gods/Goddess

### **Facts**

Hindu religious rites are classified into three categories: Nitya rituals are performed daily and consist in offerings made at the home shrine or performing puja to the family of deities. Here worshippers are showing respect. They may ask for guidance, repentance and simply show some gratitude for life itself. Naimittika rituals are important but only occur at certain times during the year, such as celebrations of the festivals. Kamya are rituals which are "optional" but highly desirable. Pilgrimage is one such. From its original homeland of India, Buddhist art was transported to other parts of Asia and the world, adapting to local styles and norms in each new host country. Today, Buddhist art constitutes an important part of overall Buddhist cultural legacy.

### **Attainment Skills**

Discuss some distinctive and common aspects of religion

Discuss the things that influence them and others

Make connections between beliefs and actions

Describe what a believer can learn from a religious story

Use religious vocabulary to discuss religious beliefs

Raise and discuss big questions about life and listen to others people's views