



Year 6 - Spring - RE Knowledge Organiser

What I already know...

Understanding everyday life of a Sikh and stories about Guru Nanak and the rest of the ten gurus.

The Qur'an tells people to dress modestly; women wear long clothing and veils, men should not wear silk or gold jewellery. Muslims do not eat pork and perform ablution before praying. It is not appropriate to create images of Muhammed, he left Mecca to escape persecution of his beliefs and stayed in Medina for 8 years. The story of the crying camel. Al-Hijra is the start of the Muslim new year.

What I will learn...

- Sikhs believe that serving others is a way to get closer to God.
- As Muslims believe in the five pillars of Islam many adults donate some of their money to charity. This is called Zakah.
- Muslims also try to do Sadaqah, which means doing something good for others

Key Vocabulary

Sevā	In Sikhism, the concept of selfless service that is performed without any expectation of reward for performing it.
Gurdwara	A place of assembly and worship in Sikhism, but its normal meaning is "Home of guru"
Langar	A community kitchen of a gurdwara that serves meals to all free of charge.
Prophet	A person chosen by Allah to spread his message and guide people to live good lives.
Sadaqah	An Islamic practice of voluntary charity or act of kindness that is given without expecting anything in return
Zakah	A religious obligation in Islam that requires Muslims to give 2.5% of their wealth to charity after supporting themselves and their families



Making a difference at The Merton and beyond

The first big question of the half term focuses on the Sikh faith and the diverse interpretations of the ideas of helping at the gurdwara, preparing langar, caring for the poor and sick and giving to charity. In developing a strong understanding of these concepts, the children will explore and consider the way that these values make a difference in everyday Sikh life, both individually and in the community.

In the second half term, children will explore the concepts of Zakah and Sadaqah and their importance in Islam.

How to be a theologian...

- To make clear connections between Sikh beliefs about and the ways in which they live their lives.
- To make clear connections between the Muslim belief in Zakah and Sadaqah and the way they live their lives.