

River Bank Primary Knowledge Organiser	Year 4	Autumn 1	Hindu Faith
Key Vocabulary	Important Facts		
<p>Festival- is a celebration</p> <p>Murtis- images of Hindu gods.</p> <p>Mantra- hindu prayer.</p> <p>Lakshmi- goddess of wealth</p> <p>Diwali- is a hindu festival. (Festival of light)</p> <p>Bhagavad Gita- Hindu sacred texts</p> <p>Pilgrimage- a journey to a sacred or holy place. Hindus go to the River Ganges.</p> <p>Mandir- Hindu place of worship</p> <p>Holika and Prahlad- story of Holika (king's sister) and Prahlad (Prince) are retold on Holi celebration.</p> <p>Aum symbol- is symbol that represent Hinduism. It is chanted and worn for protection.</p> <p>Holi – festival of colour</p> <p>Navratri – festival of good over evil</p>	<p>Worship: Puja is a Hindu prayer that involves images (murtis) and prayers (mantras). Hindu worship is an individual act, where personal offerings to the gods are made. Hindu homes have a shrine where offerings are made and prayers are said. A shrine can be a room, a small altar or simple a pictures or statues of the gods.</p> <p>Diwali festival: Hindu's celebrate the virtues of Rama and Sita. Lamps are lit to help Lakshmi; the goddess of wealth find her way into people's homes. This festival of light reflects good over evil.</p> <div> </div> <p>Aum symbol: The Aum symbol means 'Brahman'. Brahman is the thing Hindus believe gives life to everything. They believe Brahman sees everything and knows everything. Hindus believe Brahman exists in everything that is alive.</p> <p>Holi: Holi is known as the festival of colours. It marks the beginning of spring, usually in March. It celebrated Krishna, and the legend of Holika and Prahlad. Hindus believe that Krishna threw water over milkmaids as a child. This developed into the games of Holi. The night before Holi, a bonfire is lit to represents new beginnings. On the actual day, people of all ages go out on the streets for a carnival of colours. Everyone plays, chases each other with dry powder and coloured water.</p> <div> </div> <div> </div> <p>Navratri: Navratri is a festival celebrating the purity and power of the Goddess Durga. The theme of the festival is good over evil. On this occasion, rituals of Puja and fasting are carried out by Hindus. They pray intensely and are only allowed to eat certain things for the 9 days.</p>		

Quiz

- 1) What is the correct term for Hindu prayer? a) Gospel b) Puja c) Shema c) Surah
- 2) What do most Hindu's have at home to help them pray? a) Shrine b) Rosary bead c) Prayer mat c) Torah
- 3) Which Goddess do Hindus believe visit their home on Diwali? a) Rama b) Sita c) Vishnu d) Lakshmi
- 4) What symbol represents Hinduism? a) moon and crescent b) Star of David c) Aum d) Cross
- 5) What does the Aum symbol mean? a) Brahman b) Sita c) Vishnu d) Lakshmi
- 6) What celebration is the festival of colours? a) Navratri b) Holi c) Diwali d) Ram Navami
- 7) What takes place the night before Holi? a) fireworks b) bonfire c) fasting d) puja
- 8) Which goddess is celebrated on Navratri? a) Durga b) Sita c) Lakshmi d) Radha
- 9) How many days do Hindus fast for during Navratri? a) three b) four c) nine d) two
- 10) What is goddess Lakshmi known for? a) power b) love c) wealth d) happiness

Key people

Rama and Sita
 Krishna
 Goddess Lakshmi
 Goddess Saraswati
 Goddess Durga
 Holika and Prahlad

Useful websites

www.leicestermercury.co.uk/live-diwali-day-2016-in-leicester/story-29853142detail/story.html) – Diwali Today www.londonpuja.com -
 Durga Puja in Britain
www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/holydays/navaratri.shtml).- Navratri