RE – Year 4

Expressing Joy

We follow the Birmingham Agreed Syllabus which has been created by SACRE for all schools in Birmingham.



Religions that we are learning from:

Christianity

Christians may not always be happy, but they can be joyful because of their relationship with God.

<u>Sikhism</u>

Sikhs celebrate Diwali and are joyful because they celebrate the release from prison of the sixth guru, Guru Hargobind,.

Hinduism

Hindus celebrate Diwali and are joyful because of Rama and Sita's return home from 14 years of exile.

Diwali

Diwali is celebrated by both Hindus, Sikhs and Jains.

Spiritual joy is expressed in these religions because good is seen to triumph over evil. Diwali serves as an annual reminder of the triumph of good over evil.

Key questions to discuss at home:

- What things make you happy?
- What is the difference between happiness and spiritual joy?
- How do different religions show that they are joyful?
- Do you know anyone who celebrates Diwali? What do they do?

Key Vocabulary:

happiness – the feeling of being happy

joy – a feeling of pleasure or satisfaction

Diwali – a festival celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains. Typically celebrated with lights and held in October or November.

Diva lamp - traditional diva lamps are small clay pots filled with ghee or oil, containing a cotton wick

Rangoli pattern - a Rangoli is a colourful design made on the floor using coloured rice powder