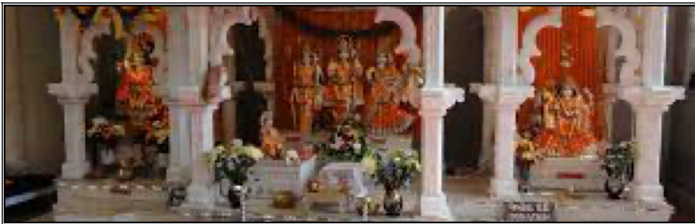


Year 3 Unit 1 RE Knowledge Organiser - A Hindu Story

Diwali



1. Diwali is a festival about the importance of light.
2. It is a celebration of when Rama, Sita and Lakshmana returned to the kingdom.
3. Every year Hindus celebrate Diwali.
4. Diwali lasts for several days.
5. During the festival, Hindu children are taught the story of Rama and Sita.
6. The holy book for Hindus is called the Bhagavad Gita.



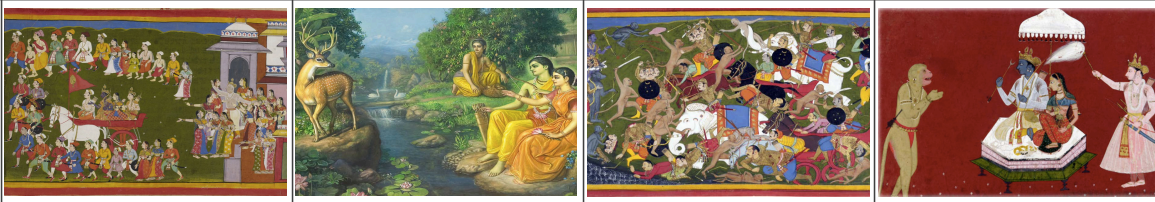
Did you know... a Hindu temple is called a Mandir. This is inside the Mandir in Peterborough.

Ramayana - ancient epic poem

1. The poem tells the story of Rama and Sita.
2. People read stories for lots of different reasons.
3. Most people weren't able to read or write so ancient stories were told to teach people how to live their lives.
4. The Ramayana is 24,000 verses long!
5. Rama is often painted blue in Hindu paintings.
6. In a Hindu wedding the brides wear red.
7. The demon Ravana had 10 heads and 20 arms!
8. Ravana lived on an island called Lanka.
9. Hanuman was a monkey that loved Rama and wanted to help him.



Paintings telling the story of Rama and Sita



Vocabulary

1. Hinduism	A religion that developed around the river Indus in the Indus Valley, thousands of years ago
2. Ramayana	An epic poem telling the story of Rama and Sita
3. Epic	A story written as a very long poem
4. Rama	A Hindu prince
5. Sita	Rama's wife
6. Vishnu	A Hindu god
7. Lakshmana	Rama's stepbrother who went with Rama and Sita to the forest as a companion
8. Companion	Someone who spends a lot of time with someone (Lakshmana was a 'travel companion to Rama and Sita)
9. Kingdom	A place ruled by a king
10. Subjects	The people in a kingdom (ruled by a king or queen)
11. Succeed	The person who will take over someone's place or job (king) 'Rama was to succeed King Ayodhya'
12. Entranced	Someone or something that is interesting, keeps your attention because he, she, or it is unusual, exciting, or has a lot of ideas
13. Prosperous	Have lots of money and food to be happy
14. Embodiment	The expression of something in a visible or tangible form (Rama was the embodiment of Vishnu)
15. Decree	An important or 'official' order from a king or queen
16. Banish	To be sent away from a place and not allowed to return
17. Oath	A promise that must not be broken