



RE - Hinduism



Key vocabulary:

Aum	A symbol that represents Brahman - a God
Diwali	A major festival that represents good over evil
Deity	A god or Goddess
Brahman	The main spirit which is represented in different forms
Vedas	A holy book that contains scriptures (important stories).
Reincarnation	The rebirth of the soul in a new body.

Key questions:

Do you think you share any values with Hindus?
 Why do you think Hindus celebrate Diwali?
 Why do Hindus believe God is in everything?

This term we will be focusing on Hinduism, specifically looking how they believe in reincarnation and why they have a range of different Gods and Goddesses.

We will be learning about Hinduism through listening to and taking part in stories which will help us understand their beliefs.



All about Hinduism:

- Hindus follow the teachings of Brahman, a God who is everywhere and take on many different forms.
- Hindus worship many different Gods and Goddesses: Brahma, Vishnu, Saraswathi, Lakshimi, Parvati, and Ganesha.
- Hindus believe that there is a part of Brahman in everyone, called Atman.
- Hindus believe in reincarnation- a belief that a person's soul can live many lifetimes.
- Hindus celebrate Diwali- a festival of light

Stories we will be focussing on:

- **Svetaketu** - God is in everything
- **Rama and Sita** - Diwali and the festival of light

The stories we will be focusing on all come from a holy book called the Vedas.