

Freeland CE Primary School

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Theme: Prayer and Worship

Key Question: What is the best way for a Hindu to show commitment to God?

Key Concept Questions:

What does commitment mean?

Is what a Hindu does more important than what they believe?

How should Hindu aretefacts be treated?

Can worshipping at home show commitment to God?

How do Hindus worship?

Why do Hindus treat their gods/goddesses in such a special way?

How do the Vedas give guidance to Hindus on how to live their lives?

Does following Dharma show commitment to God?

Does going on a pilgrimage show commitment to God?

Key Knowledge

Hindus believe in a universal God called Brahman who take on many different forms which Hindus worship as gods/goddesses in their own right.

For many Hindus, religion is more a matter of practice than of beliefs. What you do may be considered more important than what you believe.

Puja is a ceremony in which Hindus worship their chosen deity.

Gayatri Mantra is a Hindu morning prayer.

Hindus are given guidance as to how to live their lives through the Vedas which are the oldest religious texts in Hinduism and are the law. Most beliefs, concepts, and ceremonies are based on information contained in the Vedas. They cover various subjects from nature to everyday life and behaviour.

Dharma is a code for how Hindus should live their lives and doing this well is an important part of a Hindus worship.

Hindus take part in a pilgrimage called Kumbh Mela which is a journey to the River Ganges in India. They bathe in the river to purify themselves.

Key Vocab	Definition
commitment	Being dedicated to a cause or an activity.
worship	Show reverence or adoration to a God
Vedas	An ancient book of Hindu sacred texts.
Dharma	A set of spiritual laws which Hindus follow.
pilgrimage	A journey to a holy place.
Puja	A Hindu act of worship.
Murti	An image of a Hindu God to help them worship.
Kum-kum powder	Used to make a coloured mark on the worshipper's forehead to show honour to the deity and remind them of their commitment to God throughout the day.
Incense	A stick which when burned gives off a fragrant scent. It symbolizes the deity being present during Puja.
Kumbh Mela	Pilgrimage, carried out by Hindus, to the River Ganges.

