

Heyford Park School

KCV Mat for RE – Year 2 Summer 2

Theme: Judaism Key Question: What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?

Key Concept Questions

What is the best way for a Jew to show commitment to God?

Why is it important to show a commitment to God?

Key Knowledge

Jews show their commitment to God in lots of different ways.

They show their commitment because of the covenant they have made with God.

The Synagogue The main place for community worship is the synagogue. It is a place to meet, worship and pray. Jews listen to and think about readings from the Torah.

Tu B'Shevat Jews believe that God created the world and everything in it. Because of this, Jews believe the environment is something they should look after. One festival which remembers this is Tu B'Shevat. Jews show respect by planting new trees.

Bar/Bat Mitzvah These coming of age ceremonies are times where a child becomes an adult in the Jewish community. After these ceremonies, Jewish boys or girls become responsible for living according to Jewish Law. This means that the child is responsible for their own spiritual actions and for following the commandments. The children will prepare for the ceremony by studying the Torah and they will read from it during the ceremony.

Mitzvah Day This day is dedicated to doing good things for other people. Jews do good things on this day because they believe it's what God would want them to do - to be kind and loving. These good things usually focus on helping people or the local environment, for example litter picking, beach cleaning and volunteering to help different charities

Key Vocab	Definition
Identity	Who a person is, or the qualities of a person or group that make them different from others.
Commitment	The willingness to give your time and energy to a job, activity, or something that you believe in.
Bar Mitzvah	'Son of the Commandment.' The coming of age ceremony (child to adult) for a boy.
Bat Mitzvah	'Daughter of the Commandment/' The coming of age ceremony (child to adult) for a girl.
Mitzvoth	Doing good deeds and helping others.
Mitzvah Day	A day when Jewish people give their time to help others.
Tu B'Shevat	Tree planting ceremony.
Synagogue	Jewish place of worship.
Torah	The Torah is the first part of the Jewish bible.
Covenant	A promise between God and Jewish people. If Jewish people follow the rules God has given them, He will look after them.