

Whole School RE Day

October 2021

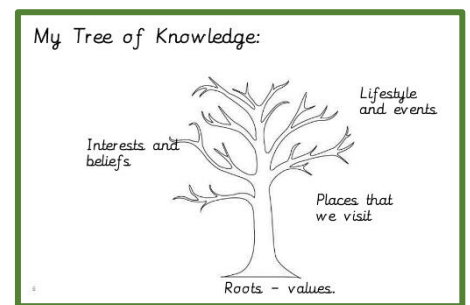
Learning Together for Life

Jesus said, 'Love one another as I have loved you' - John 15:12, New Testament ('Injil')



The focus for our whole school RE day this term was world religions. Reception and KS1 explored Islam and KS2 focused on Hinduism. We wanted the children to have the chance to immerse themselves in learning about key religions that we have been able to fully cover due to lockdown.

We started our day with Collective Worship where we thought about the ingredients we may put in a recipe for a person. There were lots of suggestions such as 50g of laughter and 7 tablespoons of love. We were then introduced to our big questions of the day and sent off to our classes to complete our own 'Tree of Knowledge' throughout the day.



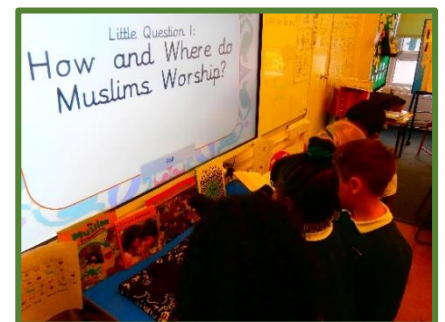
Reception and Key Stage 1:

What does it mean to be Muslim?

Our learning for the day was broken up into little questions:

- How and where do Muslims worship?
- What festivals do Muslims celebrate?
- What is important to a Muslim?

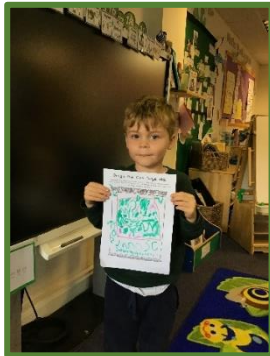
The children heard all about the routine before prayer in the Mosque as well as thinking about other places where worship may happen. Did you know that Muslims pray five times a day? Throughout our day of learning, we followed an exercise video five times to show the commitment and time Muslims give to show their faith.



We also explored the festival of Eid and compared it to celebrations that we may have where we share important meals with our family and friends. We enjoyed looking at different items that Muslims may use in their faith such as a prayer mat and the Holy book Qur'an. The children got to explore the holy book Qur'an. We are so lucky at Stepney Greencoat to have such a diverse mix of religions amongst staff as well as children and the children loved to hear some of the Qur'an being read by



adults within their class. After each little question, we added on everything we had learnt to our Knowledge Tree. Reception also drew their own prayer mats which hosted images of things that are special to them!



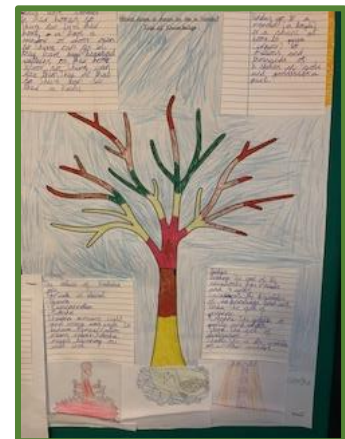
Key Stage Two:

What does it mean to be Hindu?

Today we answered these little questions:

- What can we learn from Hindu values?
- How and where do Hindus worship?
- What festivals do Hindus celebrate?

The children had the chance to explore the core beliefs of Hinduism and compare those to our values at school. They also researched the Hindu Gods and each of their responsibilities. Our discussions led on to the festival of light, Diwali and how preparations are made for Gods to visit homes to bring wealth and happiness. We added all our knowledge on to our trees!



At the end of the day, the whole school re-joined to celebrate everyone's learning throughout the day and share our incredible knowledge.

