

Learning Theme Title: India

Overview

The focus of this theme is to learn about the main religions and the physical and human geography of India. In **art** children will be creating their own Diwali pots using clay. In **design technology** children will be making Parothas (Indian Pancakes). In **geography** children will use maps to establish where India is, use climate data to solve the location of mystery areas and use secondary sources to investigate life in India.

Content

- **Locating India in the world**
- **The distinct climatic regions of India**
- **The human characteristics of the Indian population are diverse**
- **Differences and similarities between the main religions in India**
- **Visit to Neasden Temple**
- **Hindu Gods and Goddesses**
- **Hindu festivals**
- **How Hindus pray and express their beliefs**
- **Indian Parathas**

Key areas of learning (knowledge and skills)

- Interpreting and using maps, globes, photos and aerial photos to describe India's location (geography)
- Developing geographical vocabulary
- Interpreting a range of climatic data (geography)
- Drawing comparisons between the children's own lives and those of children in India
- Use a range of resources to research and present key aspects of Hinduism
- Compare and contrast the key religions of India
- How to prepare filling ingredients for Indian Parathas using chopping, cutting and grating techniques (design and technology)
- To learn to use sculpturing techniques using clay (art and design)