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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	WHY IS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF LIGHT IN RELIGION?	LOWER KEY STAGE 2

Cross curricular links

PSHE: Listening to, and respecting other's beliefs.
English: Understanding the idea of a symbol or metaphor

Pictures/photos relevant to topic

Key skills

- To know the names of some religious festivals with light symbolism and the practices of those who celebrate them
- To reflect on what a believer might hope for from a festival.
- To reflect on how participating in a festival might make a believer feel.
- To explore the meaning of different objects used during Hannukah and their significance for believers
- To explore the meaning of different objects used during Diwali and their significance for believers
- To reflect on my own ideas about light as a symbol and communicate them to others.

Key Vocabulary/definitions

Hannukah- A Jewish holiday known as the Festival of Light

Menorah – A seven-branched candelabrum that is used in religious rituals in Judaism

Diwali – The Hindu Festival of Light

Rangoli patterns – bright patterns drawn on the floor by the door to encourage the goddess Lakshmi to enter their homes

Diya lamps – oil lamps lit during the festival of Diwali

Useful information

Making rangoli patterns at home:

- Coloured paper
- Paper plate
- Scissors and glue
- Felt tips, crayons, coloured pencils, coloured chalk, rice grains, flour

Rangoli pattern tutorial:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aSddfM01wbM