Our R.E Learning Journey

Key vocabulary:

- Celebrate
- Festival
- Remember
- Custom
- Preparation
- •Ramadan
- •Id
- Purim
- Hanukkah
- Raksha Bandhan



This year we are learning about **Belonging**.

Belonging means feeling like you fit in. It means feeling like you are in the right place.

This half term we will be learning why people celebrate special times together.











Our aim this half term is to learn about some of the religious festivals people celebrate and consider why it is important for communities to come together at special times.





LQ- Can I explain why Hanukkah is important for the Jews and how it is celebrated?



Steps to success

I can find out some key facts about a Jewish festival.

I can explore the Jewish story of Hanukkah.

I can discuss how Hanukkah is celebrated.

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TPS. Can you remember what happens in the Purim festival?

In the Purim festival _____.

TPS. What was the name of the brave young woman? The brave young woman is called_____.

TPS. When does it take place? It takes place____.



Star Words



Hanukkah



Jews



Celebrate







Today we are going to look at another Jewish festival called Hanukkah.





What is Hanukkah?

Hanukkah is an 8 day Jewish festival. What do we celebrate?



What is Hanukkah celebrating?

An eight-day festival celebrating a time in history when the Jews won a battle against the Greeks to practise their religion freely.



What is Hanukkah?

Hanukkah reminds people of the miracle which took place in Israel over 2,000 years ago.



The story of Hanukkah



In Jerusalem lived an evil king called Antiochus, the King of Syria. He didn't like people who had different beliefs to his own.



He went around the world, fighting against people so that he could make them follow his beliefs.

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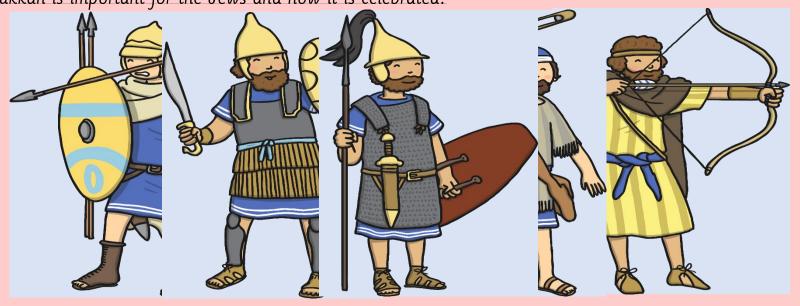
King Antiochus decided to fight the people of Israel. His army won and he told everyone that now that he was in charge, only his gods could be worshipped.

He told the Jewish people of Israel that they must give up their own beliefs and follow his; if they didn't they would be punished harshly.

Another of his orders was to destroy the Jewish temples, including the beautiful one in Jerusalem.



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Most of the people decided they had no other choice but to follow Antiochus' commands but one man, Judah Maccabee, decided that the king was wrong and something had to be done.

Judah and his brothers, who were great soldiers, formed an army to fight the king and his army.

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The Maccabees won and the king was defeated.

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As they worked to try and repair the temple, they found a small container of oil, enough to keep the menorah burning for only one day.

But a miracle happened. The lamps miraculously burned for eight days and eight nights and the Maccabees knew God was with them.

Every year at Hanukkah, Jews light 8 candles in the menorah.



How is Hanukkah Celebrated?



A **Menorah** is lit by Jewish people. One candle is lit for each day of the festival.

They believe the light shows that God is with them, like when the light lasted for 8 days in history.

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Task

Draw a Hanukkah candlestick and answer

Draw a Hanukkah candlestick and answer these questions in your book.

Why are candles lit each day?

Candles are lit each day because_____.

When else do Jewish people light candles?

Jewish people light candles