

# Religious Education knowledge organiser

Topic: Hinduism – Hindu Beliefs

Phase: LSK2

Strand: RE

## What should I know already?

To have an understanding of who they are and what they mean to different people.  
To understand that God can mean and be different things for different religions.  
To Have an understanding of Hindu beliefs and understand that God can be represent through different things.

## Diagrams:



## Fieldwork and Skills

To understand that for Hindus God can be many different things.  
To understand that for Hindus Brahman is everywhere and in everything.  
Children to be able to link Christianity and Hinduism.

## Vocabulary:

Word	Meaning
Hindu	Someone who follows Hinduism.
Vishnu	Hindu god who protects the universe
Brahma	Hindu god of creation
Trimurti	The three aspects of the universal supreme God.
Tridevi	The three great goddesses of Hinduism
Vedas	Ancient Hindu text.

## Key knowledge:

Hindus recognise one God, Brahman. The gods of Hinduism are different aspects of Brahman. The main three aspects (Trimurti) are: Vishnu, Brahma and Shiva.  
The three great goddesses (Tridevi) are: Saraswati, Lakshmi and Shakti.  
Hindus can pray to different gods and goddesses for help with different needs.

Hindus can worship at home or in a mandir. In a mandir, Hindus can perform puja. Some mandirs are very tall buildings. Hindus believe it brings them closer to heaven. In a mandir, there are shrines and lots of murtis for different gods. Offerings of flowers are brought to the murtis.

Holi is the 'festival of colours' and marks the beginning of spring with bonfires and lots of singing and dancing. Old rubbish is burnt to mark a fresh start and colour is thrown on people.