


R.E. – Knowledge Organiser

RE Focus		Sikhism: Prayer and worship	Year 5	Summer 1		
What? (Key Knowledge)			Attainment Targets			
Amrit ceremony	A special ceremony called ‘taking Amrit’ is the way to become a Khalsa Sikh. Wearing the Five Ks is how many Sikhs show their commitment.		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• I can show an understanding of why people show commitment in different ways.• I can describe how different practices enable Sikhs to show their commitment to God and understand that some of these will be more significant to some Sikhs than others.• I can start to express what I think about the best way a Sikh could show commitment to God.			
Guru Granth Sahib	The holy book is called the Guru Granth Sahib, named after a living Guru. Sikhs believe that God is talking through the Guru Granth Sanhib. The Guru Granth Sahib is treated with the upmost respect. It is put to bed in its own bedroom!					
What are the Sikh beliefs about equality?	It is an important part of Sikh teaching that everyone is equal. God’s love is for everyone, so no one is better than anyone else. Men and women and people from different backgrounds should always be treated in the same way		Key Questions			
			<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>What is the best way for a Sikh to show commitment to God? Is this always easy?</u>• Is helping people a good way of Sikhs showing commitment to God?• How does the way the holy book is treated show commitment to God?• How does the Amrit ceremony compare to a Christian baptism/Christening?• Is it a good idea to treat people equally even if you are not a Sikh?			
What? (Key vocab)						
Spelling			Definition			
Langar			The community kitchen in a Gurdwara where a free meal is served to all the visitors, without distinction of religion, gender, economic status or ethnicity.			
Guru			Means teacher. There were ten gurus who shaped Sikhism. Guru Nanak was the first Guru.			
Amrit			Sweetened water that is drunk during the Amrit ceremony. It means nectar.			
Five Ks			Kangha - comb, Kirpan - sword, Kara - bracelet, Kachera - shorts, Kesh - uncut hair.			
Possible experiences						
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <u>Outdoor Learning</u> – Role play of Amrit ceremony• Debate equality issues.• Gurwara visit						
						
Gurdwara – Sikh place of worship						