

R.E – Knowledge Organiser

RE Focus	Judaism: Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur	Year 1	Summer 2
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What? (Key Knowledge)

Rosh Hashanah	This is the Jewish New Year. At Rosh Hashanah Jews make plans for things they want to achieve in the coming year, how they want to behave, how to be better people and ask God to help them.
Yom Kippur	Yom Kippur is a time of reflection, thinking about who and what is most important to you as well as a time to say sorry and plan for the next year. It
What happens during Yom Kippur?	Jews wear white, no food or drink is taken for 25 hours if you are over 13. Services are held in the synagogue, prayers are said to God for forgiveness as well as saying sorry to people if necessary. The shofar is blown to mark the end of Yom Kippur.
What is eaten during a Rosh Hashanah meal?	Jews would eat: * A round Challah bread to represent the circle of life and cycle of the year. * Pomegranate seeds to represent the 613 rules Jewish people try to live by. * Apple slices dipped in honey to represent the sweetness of the year ahead.

Attainment Targets

- I can say how it feels to say sorry and what I have said sorry for.
- I can tell you something that either Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur is about.
- I can choose a picture and give my thinking on why this might be important to Jewish children at Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur.

Key Questions

- Are Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur important to Jewish children?
- What does forgiveness mean?
- When might non-Jewish people think about things they want to achieve in the year ahead?
- How does the Rosh Hashanah meal compare to the Sabbath meal?

What? (Key vocab)

Spelling	Definition
Forgive	To stop feeling angry about what someone has done.
Challah bread	A special round bread eaten during celebrations. It represents the circle of life.
Synagogue	The Jewish place of worship.
Torah	The Jewish holy book.
Shofar	An ancient musical horn typically made of a ram's horn.

Possible experiences

- Partake in a Rosh Hashanah meal.
- Outdoor Learning – Write sorry messages and hang them on a ‘forgiveness tree’.

