



Coleman Primary School

**Key Knowledge Organiser:**

**Year 6- Summer 2**

RE: What is pilgrimage and what special journeys and pilgrimages do people make during their lives?

In this unit, your child will learn about what pilgrimage is and why it is important in different religions. They will explore famous pilgrimage sites like Makkah, the River Ganges, the Golden Temple, and the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. They will also learn how pilgrimages are similar and different, and what people hope to gain from these special journeys.

**Key Vocabulary**

<b>Pilgrimage</b>	A journey to a sacred place as an act of religious devotion.
<b>Makkah (Mecca)</b>	The holiest city in Islam, located in Saudi Arabia, where Muslims perform the Hajj pilgrimage.
<b>Forgiveness</b>	The act of pardoning someone for their mistakes or sins; an important concept during Hajj.
<b>Tawaf</b>	The act of walking around the Kaaba (a sacred building) seven times during Hajj or Umrah.
<b>Ka-bah</b>	A cube-shaped building in Makkah, considered the most sacred site in Islam.
<b>Safa and Marwa</b>	Two small hills in Makkah between which pilgrims walk back and forth during Hajj or Umrah.
<b>Arafat</b>	A plain near Makkah where pilgrims gather to pray and seek forgiveness during Hajj.
<b>Jamarat</b>	Stone pillars representing the devil, which pilgrims symbolically stone during Hajj to reject evil.
<b>Garden of Gethsemane</b>	A place at the foot of the Mount of Olives in Jerusalem where Jesus prayed before his arrest.
<b>Via Dolorosa</b>	The path Jesus walked on his way to crucifixion in Jerusalem.
<b>Atonement</b>	The reconciliation of humanity with God through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.
<b>Hamandir Sahib</b>	The holiest gurdwara (Sikh temple) located in Amritsar, India.
<b>Golden Temple</b>	Another name for the Hamandir Sahib, a place of worship and pilgrimage for Sikhs.
<b>River Ganges</b>	A sacred river in India, considered holy by Hindus, where pilgrims bathe for spiritual cleansing.
<b>Purification</b>	The act of cleaning oneself spiritually, often through rituals like bathing in the Ganges.

**Images:**



**Knowledge:**

- To know what makes a pilgrimage different to a journey.
- To know what is the value and importance of pilgrimage to Christian, Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs.
- To know what makes the destinations for pilgrimage so special (Islam - Mecca, Hinduism – the River Ganges, Golden Temple – Sikhism and Church of the Holy Sepulchre – Christianity).
- To know what pilgrims of all religions, expect to gain from going on pilgrimage?
- To know how are pilgrimages similar and how are they different.

**Skills:**

- Ask thoughtful questions about religious beliefs, practices, and values.
- Use appropriate sources to gather information about religions and worldviews.
- Identify and explain the meaning of religious symbols, stories, and teachings.
- Compare and contrast religious ideas from different traditions.
- Evaluate the significance of religious beliefs and practices in people's lives.
- Reflect on how different worldviews respond to moral and ethical questions.
- Express personal responses to questions of meaning, purpose, and truth.
- Consider and respect the perspectives of others when discussing beliefs.
- Use what they learn about religion to consider how beliefs influence actions and behaviour.
- Relate religious teachings to contemporary issues in society and personal experiences.