Nursery Knowledge Organiser

Key Vocabulary



Hindu-A person who follows the religion Hinduism.

Diwali- The Hindu festival of lights.

Diva-An oil lamp lit during the celebrations of Diwali



Rangoli patterns-An elaborate pattern or picture used for decoration. During Diwali, Hindus decorate the floor and their bodies with Rangoli patterns for good luck.

Mithai_ Indian sweets given as presents during Diwali.





Key knowledge

Diwali is a Hindu festival celebrated in November every year.

It is a time for new beginnings.

Hindu's celebrate Diwali by buying new cloths, cleaning their houses, making Rangoli patterns, lighting Divas and giving sweets as a present.

Hindu's often share the story of Rama and Sita around Diwali.

The Hindu Gods and Godesses called Lakshmi, Ganesh and Kuber are particularly important during Diwali.





Possible activities and experiences

Make clay divas, re enact the story of Rama and Sita, make Indian sweets, invite a parent in to talk about celebrating Diwali, decorate Rangoli patterns, make paper bag lanterns.