

# Wellesley Park Primary School – Religions Education

**Topic:** What do Jewish people believe about God and the Covenant?

**Year 1: Summer term**

## Essential Core (Summary of unit)

- I will learn that the festival of Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the Jewish New year.
- I will learn that Yom Kippur is the holiest day of the year for Jewish people.
- I will learn about the Jewish festival of Sukkot.
- I will know that Jews believe in one G-d who created the universe, made the world from nothing Man was the last to be made.
- I will learn that Jewish children have a common of age ceremony
- I will raise and suggest answers to relevant questions in response to the story of creation.
- I will recognise the Star of David as a symbol of Judaism, which represents the six days of creation found in Genesis.

### What should I already Know?

- A synagogue is a special place for Jewish people.
- The Torah is a special scroll and is the most important part of the Jewish Holy book. Jewish people read from this every week.
- The Kippah is a cap worn by Jewish men when they pray as a sign of respect for God.
- The Tallit is a Jewish prayer shawl worn by Jewish men when they pray.
- Jews believe in one God, and they worship in the synagogue together on Saturday morning. The Torah contains God's Laws that tell them how they should live.

### Important Facts

- Rosh Hashanah is the beginning of the Jewish new year and it begins 10 days of fasting. It ends with Yom Kippur.
- People say "Shana Tova" - have a good year.
- Yom Kippur is about saying sorry and being forgive. Jewish people will attend the synagogue lots.
- At the end of Yom Kippur, they celebrate God's forgiveness.
- The coming of age ceremony for a boy is called Bar Mitzvah and for a girl it is called Bat Mitzah.
- The Creation story is important to both Jews and Christians. It tells the story of how the world was created.
- The story of Jonah shows how God loves everyone and wants them to make good choices.
- The story of King David shows how God does not care about what we look like, but what we are like as people.
- David went on to be Israel's greatest king because he wanted to do what was fair and right.
- King Solomon in the Bible was famous for being very wise. Many of the wise sayings in the Book of Proverbs are attributed to him.

## Vocabulary

WORD	Meaning	Image
<b>Atonement</b>	Making amends for a wrong	
<b>Rosh Hashanah</b>	Beginning of the Jewish new year	
<b>Yom Kippur</b>	The end of Rosh Hashanah	
<b>shofar</b>	A Rams horn that is blown at the end of Yom Kippur	
<b>Tenakah</b>	A collection of all the Jewish Holy Books	
<b>Sukkah</b>	A temporary 3 sided building where Jewish people eat during Sukkot	
<b>Sukkot</b>	The Jewish harvest festival	
<b>Etrog</b>	A yellow citrus fruit used during the time of Sukkot	