Alder Coppice Primary School — Knowledge Organiser

Religious Education	Year: 4	Unit 4: What does it mean to be a Sikh today?	Links to: Year 2 Unit 2 Year 2 Unit 6 Year 3 Unit 2 Year 4 Unit 2

What I Should Already Know:

Sikhism celebrates Diwali, the Festival of Light, comes at the end of October or early November.

Langar is community kitchen in a Gurdwara where free meals are served to all visitors.

Dastar Bandi is a special ceremony when a Sikh boy starts tying the turban.

In the Sikh holy book, the Guru Granth Sahib, creation is described by the Gurus.

Subject Vocabulary:

Sikhs: A follower of the religion of Sikhism

Sikhism: A religion that follows the writings and teachings of the Ten Sikh Gurus.

Festivals: occasions for remembering particular events in religion.

Celebrations: special enjoyable event that people organize because something pleasant has happened. e.g. Birthday, Wedding, Baby welcoming.

Skills & Enquiry:

Beliefs and Teachings
To describe the key teachings and beliefs of Sikhism

Unit Specific Vocabulary:

Guru: A holy teacher

Gurdwara: A place where the holy book, Guru Granth Sahib, is kept. It is also a Sikh place of worship.

Guru Nanak: Sikhism was founded by a man called **Guru Nanak**.

Guru Granth Sahib: Sikh holy book

Vaisakhi : is the Sikh New Year and is celebrated on the 13th or 14th of April. It now marks a significant historical event for Sikhs, as it is the date of the founding of the Sikh community – the 'Khalsa'.

What I should know by the end of the

The Sikh place of worship is called a **Gurdwara** which means 'Gateway to Guru'. A Gurdwara is any building where the Guru Granth Sahib is kept.

The Guru Granth Sahib is a collection of lessons from the ten gurus. It is kept on a raised platform under a canopy in the Sikh place of worship. All Sikhs take off their shoes when they are near it.

Sikhism was founded by a man called **Guru Nanak**. Guru Nanak is considered the first Sikh Guru. Sikhism is based on his teachings and those of the nine Sikh Gurus who followed him.