

## Alder Coppice Primary School — Knowledge Organiser

### Religious Education

**Year: 5**

### Unit 3: How do Jewish people express their beliefs and practises?

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### What I Should Already Know:

A Jewish place of worship is called a Synagogue. Jews use synagogues to meet, worship and study.

Jewish people believe God created the universe. The stories of how he did this are at the beginning of Genesis, which is the first book of the Torah.

Jews, who follow the religion of Judaism, have special food rules; these are called the laws of kosher. The laws of kosher deal with what is fit for Jews to eat.

Bar and Bat Mitzvahs are ceremonies in which a child becomes an adult in God's eyes and they promise to keep God's commandments.

Mikveh is a Jewish ritual bath.

Moses was a religious leader, lawgiver and prophet, who is considered to be the most important prophet in Judaism.

### Unit Specific Vocabulary:

**Abraham:** Jews believe a man called Abraham was the first person to make a covenant with God.

**Moses:** Moses saved the Jewish people from persecution in Egypt when he led them to safety across the Red Sea.

**Ten Commandments:** laws or rules handed down to Moses by God on Mount Sinai.

**Covenant:** A special agreement made between God and the Jews.

**Adonai:** Jewish name for God

**Hanukkah** is the Jewish Festival of Lights.

**Dreidle:** A sort of spinning top which Jewish children play with at Hanukkah.

**Ark:** The Torah is kept in a safe place called an ark in the Jewish temple.

**Tanakh:** The Jewish holy book is known as the **Tanakh** or **Hebrew Bible**. The word Tanakh comes from the first letters of the three different parts of the book.

### Subject Vocabulary:

**Judaism:** The religion of the Jewish people

**Torah:** means laws. It is the sacred book for Jews. It focuses on teachings and contains the five books of Moses.

**Jew:** A person that follows the religion of Judaism.

### What I should know by the end of the Unit:

### Skills & Enquiry:

#### Beliefs and Teachings

To explore a range of beliefs, symbols and actions so they can understand different ways of life and expressing meaning.

#### Values and Reflections

To explain how shared values in a community can affect behaviour and outcome.

- Jews believe that there is only one **God**. They believe they have a special agreement with God called a **covenant**. Jews promise to obey God's laws to say thank you to him for looking after them
- Jews believe a man called Abraham was the first person to make a covenant with God.
- The Jewish holy book is known as the **Tanakh** or **Hebrew Bible**. The word Tanakh comes from the first letters of the three different parts of the book.
- Hanukkah** is the Jewish Festival of Lights. The word 'Hanukkah' means '**Dedication**'