

RE Knowledge Organiser

Southwold Primary School



Topic: How special is the relationship Jews have with God?

Year 2 summer

Judaism

What should I already know?

• Abraham

Abraham is often known as the Father of Judaism. Jews believe that it was Abraham's faith in God, that led to him being chosen by God.

• Moses

The ten commandments were given to Moses to help make the covenant stronger – now people would know what God wanted them to do.

What will I know by the end of this unit?

• The Synagogue

The main place for community worship is the synagogue. A synagogue is the centre of the community as well as a place to meet, worship and pray

• Bar/Bat Mitzvah

The Jewish initiation ceremony is called Bar Mitzvah for a boy or Bat Mitzvah for a girl.

• Tu B'Shevat

One festival which commemorates this is Tu B'Shevat, the New Year for Trees.

Impact on believer / daily life

Having a mezuzah with the Shema prayer on a doorpost is a daily reminder of the covenant and the fact that the rules need to be followed.

Coming of age ceremonies are times where a child becomes an adult in the Jewish community – this will impact on daily life.

Jews believe that God created the world and everything in it, the environment is therefore something Jews should look after.

Moses was chosen to lead the people



Vocabulary

Agreement	A decision made between two or more groups or people.
Promise	A statement by a person that they will or will not do something.
Trust	Firm belief in someone or something.
Shema	An important prayer for Jews.
Descendants	A person who is related to you and who lives after you, such as your child or grandchild.
Torah	The Torah is the first part of the Jewish bible.
Synagogue	Jewish place of worship.

Moses leading the people



Links with other religions

- **Jesus** (Christianity).—Jesus was Jewish.
- **The 10 Commandments** (Christianity). Both Jews and Christians believe God gave Moses 10 rules that they should follow.
- **The Five Pillars of Islam**(Islam). Muslims believe they must carry out five duties in order to live a good and responsible life and be closer to God.