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What makes some places sacred?

Year 1

Summer 1

Key Knowledge

For many people, there are places that are very important to them.

Some people go to a special place to worship. For example, Christians will visit a Church, Jewish people will visit a Synagogue and Muslim will visit a Mosque.

Inside a church there are different objects, statues and areas that remind Christians about their beliefs e.g. a cross, a font, a Bible, an alter etc.

Inside a Synagogue there is an Ark. Inside this Ark is the Torah scroll. It is a very important book for Jewish people and is kept inside Ark to keep it safe.

When Muslims enter a Mosque, they remove their shoes and wash their hands as a sign of respect. There are no images or statues inside a Mosque but instead they have lots of Islamic patterns. The Mosque has a mihrab in it that shows the direction of Mecca.

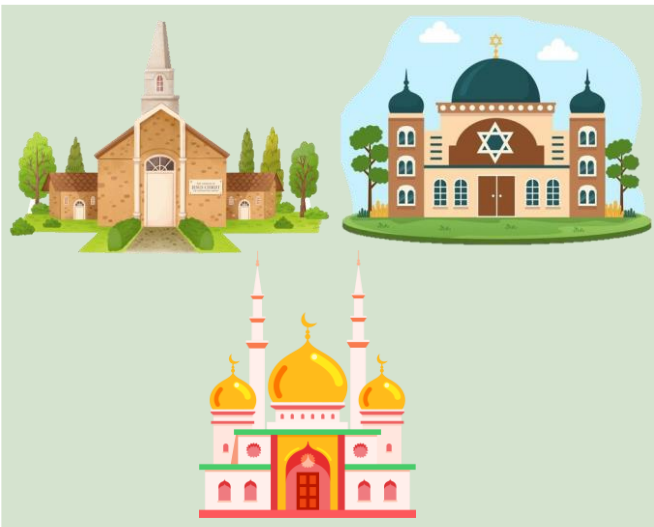
Enfield SACRE Statutory requirements

- A1 - Recall and name different beliefs and practices, including festivals, worship, rituals and ways of life, in order to find out about the meanings behind them.
- A3 - Recognise some different symbols and actions which express a community's way of life, appreciating some similarities between communities
- B1 - Ask and respond to questions about what individuals and communities do, and why, so that pupils can identify what difference belonging to a community might make.
- B2 - Observe and recount different ways of expressing identity and belonging, responding sensitively for themselves.

Prior learning

- In EYFS, children will have gained some knowledge of stories, people, places, and times that are special within different religions. They will also have some understanding of belonging and the world around us.

Key images



Possible experiences

Visit to a Mosque, Synagogue or Church

Virtual tour of a Mosque, Synagogue or Church

Invite a believer in to speak about what the Mosque, Synagogue or Church means to them

Key vocabulary

Spelling	Definition
Sacred	Something that is connected with God or a religion.
Holy	Something that comes from or belongs to a God.
Worship	Showing honour or respect to a God.
Church	A Christian place of worship
Mosque	A Muslim place of worship
Synagogue	A Jewish place of worship

Possible deeper thinking questions

What makes a place special?

Is a place more important than the people in it?

What are the main differences between places of worship?