

Wellesley Park Primary School – Religions Education








Topic: Unit 6: What do Jewish people believe about the Torah

Year A

Essential Core (Summary of unit)

- I will know that the **Torah** means ‘teaching’ is the most important part of Jewish scriptures and contains the first 5 books of the Hebrew Bible.
- I will know that the Torah teaches Jews what God is like and how they should live their lives.
- I will understand how special the Torah is for Jews: the Torah is read every week in the **synagogue**, the end of one cycle is celebrated in Simchat Torah.

Vocabulary

WORD	Meaning	Image
Torah	The Jewish special book. It take a year to read it and is celebrated with a celebration called Simchat Torah. Written in Hebrew and read from right to left. Written by hand. Stored in the ark and cannot be touched by human hands.	
Synagogue	A Jewish place of worship	
Kippah	A hat that covers the head during prayer, eating and studying. Worn as a sign of respect.	
Tallit	A prayer shawl. Worn as a sign of respect.	
Shabbat	The 7 th day of the Jewish week, which is a day of rest that lasts from Friday night to Saturday and no work is allowed. All the family come together.	
Commandment	A rule or law. In the Jewish and Christian religions, there are 10 Commandments which were given to Moses by God.	
Ketubah	A wine glass smashed during a Jewish wedding	
Mezuzah	Jewish homes have a mezuzah on their doors. This is touched as they enter their home and remember that they wants God's Law (Torah) to always be obeyed in their home.	