What do my senses tell me about the world of religion and belief?

Big Ideas: Philosophy

1) Why are our senses so important?

2) What is a Shrine?

3) What artefacts are important to the Hindu religion?

Vocabulary

sense	Any of the 5 ways we understand and experience our surroundings – sight, touch, taste, smell & hearing
religion	A set of beliefs about how the universe was made and what its purpose is
worship	Love and devotion shown to something special and sacred
belief	An idea that is accepted as being true
shrine	A special place devoted to a God or Holy person
mantra	Sacred words spoken or sung in prayer
Puja	Meaning 'Flower' is a special ceremony which includes offerings of flowers and fruit to Hindu gods
Murti	A picture of statue of a Hindu god or goddess

Key

Vishnu

Puja tray

Key Facts

Children will learn about:

- The five senses (see, hear, smell, touch, taste) and how they are engaged in religion and worship
- The worship practice of Hindu Puja
- Visual art, e.g., Murti / Image of Hindu God
- Artefacts, e.g., Arti Lamp has five wicks one for each blessing
- Smell – incense is used as part of Hindu worship at a shrine
- Taste – food such as fruit is left at the shrine as an offering to the Gods

We Are learning to

What do my senses tell me about the world of religion and belief?	Explore and compare items using my senses.	Identify religious artefacts and discuss what they represent.	Explain how and why artefacts are used in worship.	Design and create a sensory experience.