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| *Highgate Community Primary School Year 3* ***Key Question: How Can Brahman be Everywhere and in Everything?****Hinduism: Hindu Beliefs* |
| ***Vocabulary*** |  *Brahman* *Trimurtis Tridevi* | ***Interesting Facts*** |
|  | *Deities in Hinduism are referred to as Deva (masculine) and Devi (feminine)**Brahman is represented by hundreds of different Gods and goddesses**One of the main Gods Ganesh has the body of a boy and the head of an elephant.**Both male and female deities are worshipped with equal reverence in Hinduism**This is also because in Hinduism, god is considered both male and female,*  |
| ***Brahman*** | The supreme God who is composed of all aspects of life and can take on many different forms. |
| ***representation*** | You can describe a picture, model, or statue of a person or thing as a representation of them. |
| ***Aum*** | This is the sacred symbol of Brahman known as Om or Aum. It is said to be the most suitable name for god as it is a low sound heard during the deepest meditation  |
| ***Trimurtis*** | The 3 most important representations of BrahmanBrahma, Vishnu and Shiva |
| ***creation*** | In many religions, creation is the making of the universe, Earth, and creatures by God. |
| ***preserver/******sustainer*** | If you preserve a situation or condition, you make sure that it remains as it is, and does not change or end. |
| ***Destroyer*** | To destroy something means to cause so much damage to it that it is completely ruined or does not exist any more. |
| ***Vedas*** | The Vedas are the oldest and most sacred Hindu texts. |
|  *Aum symbol* | ***Key Knowledge*** |
| *Hindus believe in one supreme god, but have many deities (gods and goddesses). Hindus worship one or more of the deities - it doesn't matter which, as they are all seen as different aspects of the one supreme god.**Hindus believe that there are three great gods called the Trimurti. These three gods are:****Vishnu****- The god of preservation and protection. Hindus believe that he returns to earth during troubled times to restore the balance between good and evil.** ***Brahma****- The god of creation. He has four arms and four faces, looking in the four directions.*
* ***Shiva****-  Shiva is the god of destruction. His role is to destroy the universe in order to recreate it. He is often shown with a third eye.*

*The Tridevi are goddesses who are equally important. These three goddesses are:** ***Saraswati****– The goddess (Devi) of knowledge and the arts. She is often shown with a swan or peacock.*

***Lakshmi****- Is the goddess of wealth and purity. Hindus believe that she can bless them with fortune and success.****Shakti****- The mother goddess and is the source of all energy, power and creativity in the universe.* |