Jigsaw RE Knowledge Organiser

This knowledge organiser is a guide, offering key information to point the teacher in the right direction as to the beliefs underpinning the particular enquiry. The summaries must not be taken as the beliefs of ALL members of the particular religion.

Religion /Worldview: Sikhi	**Enquiry Question: Does joining the Khalsa make a person a better Sikh?**	**Age: 7-9** **Enquiry 1**
In this enquiry, the children look at one of the key stories in Sikh history. They reflect on the messages and begin to understand why some Sikhs would want to join the Khalsa.		

Core Knowledge (see also background information documents)	**Link to other aspects of belief**	**Personal connection / resonance**
• Story of Guru Gobind Singh and the Panj Pyare • The Khalsa baptism ceremony is called the Amrit ceremony, this involves the drinking of Amrit (sugar water stirred with a dagger) in the presence of 5 Khalsa Sikhs as well as the Guru Granth Sahib. The novice is instructed in the following; • You shall never remove any hair from any part of thy body • You shall not use tobacco, alcohol or any other intoxicants • You shall not eat the meat of an animal slaughtered the Muslim way • You shall not commit adultery. The novice is required to wear the physical symbols of a Khalsa at all times (known as the 5K's) as well as follow the Khalsa Code of Conduct	• Importance of the 10 Gurus • Celebration of Baisakhi festival • Worship in the Gurdwara • Community care via the Gurdwara	• What would I be prepared to stand up for? What issues matter to me? • Do I belong to a group or team? • How do I show commitment? • How could I show commitment to others? • What 5 rules might I choose to follow?

Key Terms and definitions	**History/Context**	**Impact on believer/daily life**	**Spiral curriculum link**
Sikh – 'Disciple' or 'learner' **Guru – '**Teacher' or 'Leader' **Amrit Ceremony** – joining the Khalsa **Khalsa** – means 'pure' **<u>The 5 Ks</u>** **Kesh** – uncut hair **Kangha** - comb **Kirpan** – 'dagger' **Kara** - bangle **Kacchera** – shorts	• Foundation of Sikhi by Guru Nanak • Sikhs believe in One God – Waheguru • Sikhs believe in equality – people are free to choose their faith • Sikhs believe in three basic principles; meditating on the name of God (praying), earning a living by honest means as well as sharing the fruits of labour with others.	• Moral code – Living life in a positive, helpful way • 5 K's – physical sign of commitment – being visible as a Sikh is a sign of commitment • Personal choice as to when to join the Khalsa • Service to others – Sewa – feeding people in the Gurdwara (langar)	This is the first lesson on Sikhi for this age group so Some background information would support learners in understanding where and when the faith began (see History/Context box) if they have not studied this in 5-7.

Home learning ideas/questions:

What is commitment? Can you explain if you think it is possible to show the same level of commitment to everything we do?

Is there anything that you or your family belong to or regularly do which requires you to show commitment?