

Year 1 Autumn 1 – Hinduism

Key facts

- 'Namkaran' is performed on a newborn baby; it is a naming ceremony.
- A name is selected using traditional methods and astrological rules of naming.
- Offerings are given to God during the ceremony.
- Honey is rubbed on the tongue.
- A sacred fire is lit.
- Mantras and blessings are chanted.
- Sacred Ash is rubbed on the eye of knowledge.



Namkaran
Naming Ceremony



Sacred Fire



Eye of
knowledge



Offerings

Vocabulary

- Hindu
- Namakara
- Samskara
- prayers,
- mantra
- naming ceremony
- Sanskrit
- eye of knowledge
- sacred
- offerings

We are thinking about:

What is Namakarana Sanskar?

What happens during the ceremony?

How is this similar to other naming ceremonies?