

# Diversity Events Calendar 2026

Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service





# January 2026



- 1st** New Year's Day  
Kalpataru Divas (Hindu)
- 3rd** Mahayana New Year (Buddhist)
- 4th** World Braille Day
- 5th** Twelfth Night
- 6th** Epiphany (Christian)
- 7th** Christmas Day (Orthodox Christian)
- 12th** Vivekananda Jayanti (Hindu)
- 13th** Lohri-Maghi (Sikh)
- 14th** New Year (Orthodox Christians)  
Uttarayan & Kite Festival (Makar Sankranti) (Hindu)  
Pongal (Hindu) (ends 17th)
- 16th** Lailat al Miraj (Islamic) Starts in the Evening 15th\*
- 18th** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (until 25th)  
World Religion Day (Baha'i)
- 19th** Martin Luther King Jnr Day
- 25th** Burns Night
- 27th** Holocaust Memorial Day  
Lailat al Miraj (Islamic) Starts in the Evening 26th\*



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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Year's Day</li> <li>• Kalpataru Divas (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>01</b>	<b>02</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mahayana New Year (Buddhist)</li> </ul> <b>03</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Braille Day</li> </ul> <b>04</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Twelfth Night</li> </ul> <b>05</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Epiphany (Christian)</li> </ul> <b>06</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Day (Orthodox Christian)</li> </ul> <b>07</b>	<b>08</b>	<b>09</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vivekananda Jayanti (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>12</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lohri-Maghi (Sikh)</li> </ul> <b>13</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Year (Orthodox Christians)</li> <li>• Uttarayan &amp; Kite Festival (Hindu)</li> <li>• Pongal (Hindu) (ends 17th)</li> </ul> <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (until 25th)</li> <li>• World Religion Day (Baha'i)</li> </ul> <b>18</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martin Luther King Jr Day</li> </ul> <b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Burns Night</li> </ul> <b>25</b>
<b>26</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Holocaust Memorial Day</li> <li>• Lailat al Miraj (Islamic) Starts in the Evening 26th*</li> </ul> <b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	

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# February 2026

- 1st** World Interfaith Harmony Week (ends 7th)  
World Hijab Day  
LGBT History Month begins
- 2nd** Candlemas (Christian)  
Tu Bishvat (Jewish) (begins the evening of 1st)
- 3rd** Lailat al Bara'ah (Islamic) \* Begins at sunset on the 2nd
- 4th** World Cancer Day
- 6th** International Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation
- 9th** International Epilepsy Day
- 10th** Safer Internet Day
- 14th** Valentine's Day
- 15th** Nirvana Day (Buddhist)  
International Childhood Cancer Day  
Maha Shivaratri (Hindu) starts 5.04pm ends 5.34pm on 16th
- 17th** Ramadan Begins\* (Islamic) (beings at Sunset)  
Shrove Tuesday (Christian)  
Lunar New Year (year of the Horse)
- 18th** Ash Wednesday (Christian)
- 23rd** Vasant Panchami (Hindu)
- 25th** Intercalary Days Begin (Baha'i) ends 1st March
- 28th** LGBT History Month ends





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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Interfaith Harmony Week (ends 7th)</li> <li>• World Hijab Day</li> <li>• LGBTQ+ History Month begins</li> </ul> <b>01</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Candlemas (Christian)</li> <li>• Tu Bishvat (Jewish) (begins the evening of 1st)</li> </ul> <b>02</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lailat al Bara'ah (Islamic)* Begins at sunset on the 2nd</li> </ul> <b>03</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Cancer Day</li> </ul> <b>04</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation</li> </ul> <b>05</b>	<b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	<b>07</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Epilepsy Day</li> </ul> <b>09</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Safer Internet Day</li> </ul> <b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nirvana Day (Buddhist)</li> <li>• International Childhood Cancer Day</li> <li>• Maha Shivaratri (Hindu) starts 5.04pm ends 5.34pm on 16th</li> </ul> <b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ramadan Begins* (Islamic) (beings at Sunset)</li> <li>• Shrove Tuesday (Christian)</li> <li>• Lunar New Year (year of the Horse)</li> </ul> <b>17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ash Wednesday (Christian)</li> </ul> <b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vasant Panchami (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intercalary Days Begin (Baha'i) ends 1st March</li> </ul> <b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LGBTQ+ History Month ends</li> </ul> <b>28</b>	

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# March 2026



- 1st** St David's Day (Christian)
- 2nd** Ta'anit Esther (begins at dawn and ends at night) (Jewish)  
Month of Fasting (begins) (Baha'i) evening of 1st March Ends 20th  
Purim (Jewish) Begins at Sunset, ends at Nightfall on 3rd
- 3rd** Holika Dahan (Hindu)  
Rangwali Holi (Hindu)
- 4th** Hola Mohalla (Begins) (Sikh)  
Holi (Sikh)
- 6th** Hola Mohalla (Ends) (Sikh)
- 8th** International Women's Day
- 15th** Mother's Day
- 17th** St Patrick's Day  
Neurodiversity Celebration Week (until 23rd)
- 18th** National Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day  
Ramadan (Ends at sunset)
- 19th** Eid-ul-Fitr\* (begins, at sunset) (Islamic)  
Gudi Padwa (Hindu)  
Navaratri (Hindu) starts ends 27th  
Hindi New Year (Hindu)
- 20th** International Day of Happiness  
Eid-ul-Fitr\* (ends) (Islamic)
- 21st** Naw-Rúz (Bahá'í New Year) Starts in the evening  
International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination  
World Down's Syndrome Day
- 25th** International Day of Remembrance of the Victims  
of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
- 26th** Rama Navami (Begins) (Hindu)
- 29th** Palm Sunday (Christian)  
Daylight Saving, (clocks go forward)
- 31st** International Transgender Day of Visibility





# March 2026

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						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>St David's Day (Christian)</li> </ul> <b>01</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Month of Fasting (begins) (Baha'i) evening of 1st March Ends 20th</li> <li>Ta'anit Esther (begins at dawn and ends at night) (Jewish)</li> <li>Purim (Jewish) Begins at Sunset, ends at Nightfall on 3rd</li> </ul> <b>02</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Holika Dahan (Hindu)</li> <li>Rangwali Holi (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>03</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hola Mohalla (Begins) (Sikh)</li> <li>Holi (Sikh)</li> </ul> <b>04</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hola Mohalla (Ends) (Sikh)</li> </ul> <b>05</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hola Mohalla (Ends) (Sikh)</li> </ul> <b>06</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Women's Day</li> </ul> <b>07</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Women's Day</li> </ul> <b>08</b>
<b>09</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mother's Day</li> </ul> <b>15</b>
<b>16</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>St Patrick's Day</li> <li>Neurodiversity Celebration Week (until 23rd)</li> </ul> <b>17</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day</li> <li>Ramadan (Ends at sunset)</li> </ul> <b>18</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Eid-ul-Fitr* (begins, at sunset) (Islamic)</li> <li>Gudi Padwa (Hindu)</li> <li>Navaratri (Hindu) starts ends 27th</li> <li>Hindi New Year (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Happiness</li> <li>Eid-ul-Fitr* (ends) (Islamic)</li> </ul> <b>20</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Naw-Rúz (Bahá'í New Year) Starts in the evening</li> <li>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</li> <li>World Down's Syndrome Day</li> </ul> <b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Tuberculosis Day</li> <li>International Day for the Right to the Truth Concerning Gross Human Rights Violations and for the Dignity of Victims</li> </ul> <b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade</li> </ul> <b>25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rama Navami (Begins) (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Palm Sunday (Christian)</li> <li>Daylight Saving, (clocks go forward)</li> </ul> <b>29</b>
<b>30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Transgender Day of Visibility</li> </ul> <b>31</b>					

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# April 2026



- 1st** Stress Awareness Month  
Pesach (Passover) (Jewish) (begins)  
Hanuman Jayanti (Hindu) begins at 2.36am, ends 3.11am on 3rd
- 2nd** Maundy Thursday (Christian)  
Pesach I (first day of Passover) (Jewish)  
World Autism Awareness Day
- 3rd** Good Friday (Christian & Orthodox Christian)  
Pesach II (Passover) (Jewish)
- 5th** Easter Sunday (Christian & Orthodox Christian)
- 6th** Easter Monday  
Asexual Visibility Day
- 8th** International Roma Day
- 9th** Pesach VIII (last day of Passover) (Jewish) ends after nightfall
- 11th** World Parkinson's Day
- 13th** Songkran (Begins) (Buddhist) ends 15th  
Theravada New Year (Buddhist)  
Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial) (starts at Sunset)  
(Jewish) ends nightfall on 14th
- 14th** Vaisakhi/Baisakhi (Sikh) (Hindu)  
Tamil New Year (Hindu)
- 18th** Birthday of Guru Angad Dev (Sikh)
- 19th** Parshuram Jayanti (Hindu)  
Akshaya Tritiya
- 20th** Rivdan Festival (Begins) (Baha)
- 21st** Yom Ha'atzmaut (Jewish) start in the evening ends sunset 22nd
- 23rd** St George's Day (Christian)
- 26th** Lesbian Visibility Day
- 28th** Ninth Day of Rivdan Festival (Baha'i) (begins in the evening)
- 29th** Ninth Day of Rivdan Festival (Baha'i)
- 30th** Pesach Sheni (Second Passover) (Jewish)  
(beings at Sunset) Ends Sunset 1st May





# April 2026

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Stress Awareness Month</li> <li>Pesach (Passover) (Jewish) (begins)</li> <li>Hanuman Jayanti (Hindu) begins at 2.36am, ends 3.11am on 3rd</li> </ul> <b>01</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maundy Thursday (Christian)</li> <li>Pesach I (first day of Passover) (Jewish)</li> <li>World Autism Awareness Day</li> </ul> <b>02</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Good Friday (Christian &amp; Orthodox Christian)</li> <li>Pesach II (Passover) (Jewish)</li> </ul> <b>03</b>	<b>04</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter Sunday (Christian &amp; Orthodox Christian)</li> </ul> <b>05</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Easter Monday</li> <li>Asexual Visibility Day</li> </ul> <b>06</b>	<b>07</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Roma Day</li> </ul> <b>08</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pesach VIII (last day of Passover) (Jewish) ends after nightfall</li> </ul> <b>09</b>	<b>10</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Parkinson's Day</li> </ul> <b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Songkran (Begins) (Buddhist) ends 15th</li> <li>Theravada New Year (Buddhist)</li> <li>Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Memorial) (starts at Sunset) (Jewish) ends nightfall on 14th</li> </ul> <b>13</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vaisakhi/Baisakhi (Sikh) (Hindu)</li> <li>Tamil New Year (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Parshuram Jayanti (Hindu)</li> <li>Akshaya Tritiya</li> </ul> <b>19</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rivdan Festival (Begins) (Baha)</li> </ul> <b>20</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yom Ha'atzmaut (Jewish) start in the evening ends sunset 22nd</li> </ul> <b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>St George's Day (Christian)</li> </ul> <b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lesbian Day of Visibility</li> </ul> <b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ninth Day of Rivdan Festival (Baha'i) (begins in the evening)</li> </ul> <b>28</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ninth Day of Rivdan Festival (Baha'i)</li> </ul> <b>29</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pesach Sheni (Second Passover) (Jewish) (begins at Sunset) Ends Sunset 1st May</li> </ul> <b>30</b>			

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# May 2026



- 1st** Vesak – Buddha Day (Buddhist)
- 2nd** Twelfth day of Rivdan Festival (final day) (Baha'i)
- 4th** Firefighter Memorial Day  
Bank Holiday  
Lag B'Omer (Jewish) begins at sunset until sunset 5th  
Deaf Awareness Week (until 10th)
- 11th** Mental Health Awareness Week (Until 17th)
- 13th** National Day for Staff Networks
- 14th** Ascension Day (Christian)
- 15th** International Day of Families
- 16th** Shani Jayanti (Hindu)
- 17th** International Day against Homophobia, Biphobia & Transphobia (IDAHOBIT Day)
- 18th** Dementia Awareness Week (until 24th)
- 21st** World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development  
Shavuot (festival of Weeks) (Jewish) begins at sunset
- 22nd** Shavuot (festival of Weeks) (Jewish)
- 23rd** Shavuot (festival of Weeks) (Jewish) ends at Nightfall  
Declaration of the Bab (Baha'i) beings in the evening until 24th
- 24th** Pansexual & Panromantic Visibility Day  
Pentecost or Whit Sunday (Christian)  
Hajj\* (Islamic) Ends 29th
- 25th** Spring Bank Holiday  
Day of Arafa \*(Islamic) (beings in the evening) ends 26th  
Nirjala Ekadasi (Hindu)
- 26th** Ganga Dashami (Hindu)  
Eid al – Adha\* (Islamic) (Begins in the evening) ends 30th
- 28th** Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i) begin evening until 29th





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				• Vesak – Buddha Day (Buddhist)	• Twelfth day of Rivdan Festival (final day) (Baha'i)	
				01	02	03
• Firefighter Memorial Day • Bank Holiday • Lag B'Omer (Jewish) begins at sunset until sunset 5th • Deaf Awareness Week (until 10th)				08	09	10
04	05	06	07			
• Mental Health Awareness Week (Until 17th)		• National Day for Staff Networks	• Ascension Day (Christian)	• International Day of Families	• Shani Jayanti (Hindu)	• International Day against Homophobia, Biphobia & Transphobia (IDAHOBIT Day)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
• Dementia Awareness Week (until 24th)			• World Day of Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development • Shavuot (festival of Weeks) (Jewish) begins at sunset	• Shavuot (festival of Weeks) (Jewish)	• Shavuot (festival of Weeks) (Jewish) ends at Nightfall • Declaration of the Bab (Baha'i) begins in the evening until 24th	• Pansexual & Panromantic Visibility Day • Pentecost or Whit Sunday (Christian) • Hajj* (Islamic) Ends 29th
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
• Spring Bank Holiday • Day of Arafah* (Islamic) (beings in the evening) ends 26th • Nirjala Ekadasi (Hindu)	• Ganga Dashami (Hindu) • Eid al – Adha* (Islamic) (Begins in the evening) ends 30th		• Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i) begin evening until 29th			
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

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# June 2026



- 1st** Global Day of Parents
- 15th** World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
- 16th** Al- Hijra - Islamic New Year\*begins in the even until 17th  
Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib(Sikh)
- 19th** Akshaya Tritiya (Hindu)
- 20th** World Refugee Day  
Africa Oye (2 day event)
- 21st** Father's Day
- 22nd** Windrush Day
- 23rd** United Nations Public Service Day
- 24th** Birth of Guru Rinpoche (Padmasambhava) (Buddhist)
- 25th** Day of the Seafarer  
Day of Ashura/Muharram (Islamic)\* begins in the evening,  
until the evening of 26th
- 27th** Armed Forces Day
- 29th** Sant Kabir Jayanti





# June 2026

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• Global Day of Parents						
01	02	03	04	05	06	07
08	09	10	11	12	13	14
• World Elder Abuse Awareness Day	• Al- Hijra - Islamic New Year*begins in the even until 17th • Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib(Sikh)			• Akshaya Tritiya (Hindu)	• World Refugee Day • Africa Oye (2 day event)	• Father's Day
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
• Windrush Day	• United Nations Public Service Day	• Birth of Guru Rinpoche (Padmasambhava) (Buddhist)	• Day of the Seafarer • Day of Ashura/ Muharram (Islamic)* begins in the evening,until the evening of 26th		• Armed Forces Day	
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
• Sant Kabir Jayanti						
29	30					

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# July 2026



- 1st** Asala - Dharma Day (Buddhist)
- 2nd** The Three Weeks (Jewish) until 24th
- 10th** Martyrdom of the Bab (Baha'i)
- 14th** International Non-Binary Peoples Day  
Tammuz (Jewish) until 16th
- 16th** Rath Yatra (Hindu) (Begins)
- 18th** Nelson Mandela International Day
- 22nd** Erve Tisha B'av (Jewish)
- 23rd** Fast of Tisha B'Av, The Three Weeks (ends) (Jewish)
- 25th** Pride – Liverpool (TBC)
- 29th** The 15th of Av (Jewish) ends at nightfall  
Guru Purnima (Hindu)  
Asalha Puja (Buddhists)
- 30th** International Day of Friendship





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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asala - Dharma Day (Buddhist)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Three Weeks (Jewish) until 24th</li> </ul>			
		01	02	03	04	05
06	07	08	09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Martyrdom of the Bab (Baha'i)</li> </ul>		12
13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Non-Binary Peoples Day</li> <li>Tammuz (Jewish) until 16th</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rath Yatra (Hindu) (Begins)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nelson Mandela International Day</li> </ul>	
	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Erve Tisha B'av (Jewish)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fast of Tisha B'Av, The Three Weeks (ends) (Jewish)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Pride – Liverpool (TBC)</li> </ul>	
27	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The 15th of Av (Jewish) ends at nightfall</li> <li>Guru Purnima (Hindu)</li> <li>Asalha Puja (Buddhists)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Friendship</li> </ul>			
		29	30	31		

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# August 2026



- 12th International Youth Day
- 15th Haryali Teej (Hindu)
- 17th Nag Panchami (Hindu)
- 26th Mawlid un-Nab (Islamic)  
\*(beings at Sunset, on 25th)  
Raksha Bandhan (Hindu)
- 28th Varalakshmi Vratam (Hindu)
- 31st Bank Holiday





# August 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					01	02
03	04	05	06	07	08	09
10	11	• International Youth Day	12	13	14	15
• Nag Panchami (Hindu)	17	18	19	20	21	22
24	25	• Mawlid un-Nab (Islamic)* (beings at Sunset, on 25th) • Raksha Bandhan (Hindu)	27	28	29	30
• Bank Holiday	31					

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# September 2026



- 1st** Birth of Guru Granth (Sikh)
- 4th** Krishna Janmashtami (Hindu)
- 5th** International Day of Charity
- 9th** Emergency Services Day
- 10th** World Suicide Prevention Day
- 11th** Rosh Hashana (New Year) (Jewish) (begins at sunset)
- 12th** Rosh Hashana (New Year) (Jewish)
- 13th** Rosh Hashana (New Year) (Jewish) Ends at nightfall
- 14th** Ganesh/ Vinayak Chaturthi (Hindu)  
begins 2.36am ends 15th at 3.14am
- 15th** National Inclusion Week (15th – 21st)
- 16th** Bisexual Awareness Week (16th – 23rd )  
Onam (Hindu) begins) to 25th
- 17th** Vishwakarama Puja (Hindu)
- 21st** World Alzheimer's Day
- 25th** Mawlid un-Nabi (Islamic) until evening 26th  
Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)  
(begins at Sunset) until 2nd October  
Mid-Autumn Festival (Moon Festival/Mooncake Festival)
- 26th** Pitri-Paksha (Hindu) (to 10th Oct)  
Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)
- 27th** Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)
- 29th** Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)





# September 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	• Birth of Guru Granth (Sikh)			• Krishna Janmashtami (Hindu)	• International Day of Charity	
	01	02	03	04	05	06
07	08	• Emergency Services Day	• World Suicide Prevention Day	• Rosh Hashana (New Year) (Jewish) (begins at sunset)	• Rosh Hashana (New Year) (Jewish)	• Rosh Hashana (New Year) (Jewish) Ends at nightfall
14	15	• Bisexual Awareness Week (16th – 23rd) • Onam (Hindu) begins to 25th	• Vishwakarama Puja (Hindu)	11	12	13
• Ganesh/ Vinayak Chaturthi (Hindu) begins 2.36am ends 15th at 3.14am	• National Inclusion Week (15th – 21st)	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
• World Alzheimer's Day	• Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)			• Mawlid un-Nabi (Islamic) until evening 26th • Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish) (begins at Sunset) until 2nd October • Mid-Autumn Festival (Moon Festival or Mooncake Festival)	• Pitri-Paksha (Hindu) (to 10th Oct) • Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)	• Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish)
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# October 2026



- 1st** International Day of Older Persons  
Hoshanah Rabbah (Jewish) (until 2nd in Evening)
- 2nd** Shemini Atzeret (Jewish) begins in the evening  
Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish) Ends
- 3rd** Shemini Atzeret (Jewish) ends at sunset  
Simchat Torah (Jewish) begins at sunset
- 4th** Simchat Torah (Jewish) ends at sunset
- 5th** World Dyslexia Awareness Week (until 11th)
- 6th** World Cerebral Palsy Day  
Shared Purnima (Hindu)
- 8th** World Sight Day
- 10th** Mahalaya Amavasya (Hindu)  
World Mental Health Day
- 15th** International Pronoun Day
- 18th** Menopause Awareness Day
- 20th** Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish) Begins at Sunset
- 21st** Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish)
- 25th** Clocks go back
- 26th** Intersex Awareness Day  
International Control room week (TBC)
- 27th** National Mentoring Day  
Kathina (Begins) (Buddhist) (ends 24th Nov)
- 28th** Karwa Chauth (Hindu) (begins 7.36 ands 29th at 4.39)
- 31st** Halloween

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# October 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Older Persons</li> <li>Hoshanah Rabbah (Jewish) (until 2nd in Evening)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shemini Atzeret (Jewish) begins in the evening</li> <li>Sukkot (feast of Tabernacles) (Jewish) Ends</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Shemini Atzeret (Jewish) ends at sunset</li> <li>Simchat Torah (Jewish) begins at sunset</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Simchat Torah (Jewish) ends at sunset</li> </ul>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Dyslexia Awareness Week (until 11th)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Cerebral Palsy Day</li> <li>Shared Purnima (Hindu)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World Sight Day</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mahalaya Amavasya (Hindu)</li> <li>World Mental Health Day</li> </ul>	
05	06	07	08	09	10	11
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Pronoun Day</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Menopause Awareness Day</li> </ul>
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish) Begins at Sunset</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish)</li> </ul>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clocks go back</li> </ul>
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Intersex Awareness Day</li> <li>International Control room Week</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>National Mentoring Day</li> <li>Kathina (Begins) (Buddhist) (ends 24th Nov)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Karwa Chauth (Hindu) (begins 7.36 and 29th at 4.39)</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Halloween</li> </ul>	
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# November 2026



- 5th Bonfire night
- 6th Dhanteras (Hindu)
- 8th Remembrance Sunday  
Lakshmi Puja (Hindu)  
Diwali (Deepavali) (Sikh) begins  
Diwali (Hindu)
- 10th Birth of the Bab (Baha'i)  
Bhai Dooj (Hindu)
- 11th Armistice Day
- 13th Trans Awareness Week (13th – 19th)  
Chhath Puja (Hindu)
- 14th World Diabetes Day
- 15th World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims
- 19th International Men's Day
- 20th Transgender Day of Remembrance
- 24th Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib (Sikh)  
Kathina (Ends) (Buddhist)  
Guru Nanak Birthday (Sikh)
- 25th International day of the elimination of violence against women  
(White Ribbon Day)  
Loy Krathong (Buddhist)
- 26th Day of the Covenant (Baha'i)
- 28th The passing of 'Abdu'l-Baha (Baha'i)
- 29th First Sunday of Advent (Christian)
- 30th St Andrews Day





# November 2026

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09	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Birth of the Bab (Baha'i)</li> <li>• Bhai Dooj (Hindu)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Armistice Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bonfire Night</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dhanteras (Hindu)</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remembrance Sunday</li> <li>• Lakshmi Puja (Hindu)</li> <li>• Diwali (Deepavali) (Sikh) begins</li> <li>• Diwali (Hindu)</li> </ul>
	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib (Sikh)</li> <li>• Kathina (Ends) (Buddhist)</li> <li>• Guru Nanak Birthday (Sikh)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International day of the elimination of violence against women (White Ribbon Day)</li> <li>• Loy Krathong (Buddhist)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• International Men's Day</li> <li>• Day of the Covenant (Baha'i)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trans Awareness Week (13th – 19th)</li> <li>• Chhath Puja (Hindu)</li> <li>• Transgender Day of Remembrance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Diabetes Day</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims</li> </ul>
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- 1st** World AIDS Day
- 3rd** International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 4th** Hanukkah (Festival of light) begins at sunset
- 5th** First Day of Hanukkah : candle 1 (Festival of Light) (Jewish) (ends on 12th)
- 10th** Hanukkah 6th Candle (Festival of Light) (Jewish)
- 5th** International Volunteers Day
- 8th** Bodhi Day (Buddhist)
- 12th** Hanukkah (Festival of Light) (Jewish) (ends)
- 16th** Dhanu Sankranti (Hindu)
- 20th** Geeta Jayanti (Hindu)
- 24th** Christmas Eve
- 25th** Christmas Day
- 26th** Boxing Day
- 28th** Bank Holiday (Boxing day substitute)
- 31st** New Year's Eve





# December 2026

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>World AIDS Day</li> </ul> <b>01</b>	<b>02</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>International Day of Persons with Disabilities</li> </ul> <b>03</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hanukkah (Festival of light) begins at sunset</li> </ul> <b>04</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Day of Hanukkah : candle 1 (Festival of Light) (Jewish) (ends on 12th)</li> <li>International Volunteers Day</li> </ul> <b>05</b>	<b>06</b>
<b>07</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bodhi Day (Buddhist)</li> </ul> <b>08</b>	<b>09</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hanukkah 6th Candle (Festival of Light) (Jewish)</li> </ul> <b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hanukkah (Festival of Light) (Jewish) (ends)</li> </ul> <b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dhanu Sankranti (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Geeta Jayanti (Hindu)</li> </ul> <b>20</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Eve</li> </ul> <b>24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christmas Day</li> </ul> <b>25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Boxing Day</li> </ul> <b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Bank Holiday (Boxing day substitute)</li> </ul> <b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New Year's Eve</li> </ul> <b>31</b>			

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## March

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## April

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## May

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## June

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## July

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## August

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## September

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## October

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
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## November

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## December

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It will also help raise awareness of equality and diversity and wellbeing issues.

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