

# Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Calendar 2023/2024



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May 2023



# May 2023

Action on Stroke Month  
Hepatitis Awareness Month  
Mental Health Awareness Month

## Special dates and events

8 - World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day

9 – Lag BaOmer (Judaism)

12 - International Nurses Day

17 - International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHoBiT)

18 - Global Accessibility Awareness Day

21 - World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

22 - International Day for Biological Diversity

Mental Health Awareness Week – dates TBC

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June 2023



# June 2023

**Gypsy, Roma & Traveller History Month**  
**LGBTQ+ Pride Month**  
**Motor Neuron Disease Awareness Month**

## Special dates and events

- 1 - 7 – Volunteers’ Week
- 2 – Vesak Day (Buddhism)
- 5 - World Environment Day
- 5-11 – Carers’ Week
- 20 - World Refugee Day & Puri Rath Yatra (Hinduism)
- 22 - UK Windrush Day
- 23 – Women in Engineering Day
- 26 - 30 - World Wellbeing Week
- 28 – Stonewall Uprising Anniversary & Eid ul-Adha (Islam)

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July 2023



# July 2023

## Make a Difference to Children Month

### Special dates and events

- 3 – [Asalha Puja](#) (Buddhism)
- 10 – 16 – Non-Binary Awareness Week
- 11 - World Population Day
- 15 - World Youth Skills Day
- 17 - [The Seventeenth of Tammuz](#) (Judaism)
- 26 – [Tish'a B'Av](#) (Judaism)

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August 2023





# August 2023

## Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month



### Special dates and events

9 – International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples

19 - World Humanitarian Day

20 – Raksha Bandhan (Hinduism)

23 - International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition

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September 2023



COLLABORATIONS ALLOW US TO GROW MORE  
THANK YOU AND HAPPY TO ENJOYING OURSELVES  
- THE TEAM



# September 2023

International Blood Cancer Awareness Month  
 Sickle Cell Awareness Month  
 World Alzheimer's & Dementia Awareness Month

## Special dates and events

- 7 – [Krishna Janmashtami](#) (Hinduism)
- 10 - World Suicide Prevention Day
- 15 - International Day of Democracy & Rosh Hashana Jewish New Year
- 21 - International Day of Peace & World Alzheimer's Day
- 23 - International Day of Sign Languages & Bi Visibility Day & [Yom Kippur](#) (Judaism)
- 24 - World Day of the Deaf
- 25 – 1 Oct - National Inclusion Week

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October 2023



# October 2023

Black History Month  
Breast Cancer Awareness Month  
Down Syndrome Awareness Month  
Lupus Awareness Month

## Special dates and events

- 4 – World Dyslexia Awareness Day
- 6 - World Cerebral Palsy Day
- 8 – 16 – National Hate Crime Awareness Week
- 9 – [Eid Milad-un-Nabi](#) (Islam)
- 10 - World Mental Health Day
- 11 – National Coming Out Day
- 12 - World Sight Day
- 15 - 21 - Invisible Disabilities Week
- 15 – 24 - [Navratri](#) (Hinduism)
- 17 - International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
- 26 - Intersex Awareness Day
- 28 – [Sharad Purnima](#) (Hinduism)
- 29 - World Stroke Day

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November 2023



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COPD Awareness Month  
 Lung Cancer Awareness Month  
 Men's Health Awareness Month  
 Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month

## Special dates and events

- 11 - Armistice Day
- 12 – Remembrance Sunday
- 12 - 19 - Inter Faith Week
- 13 - Diwali – Deepavali – (Hinduism, Sikhism)
- 13-19 – Transgender Awareness Week
- 17 - International Students’ Day
- 19 - International Men’s Day
- 20 - Transgender Day of Remembrance
- 25 – International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

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December 2023





# December 2023

AIDS Awareness Month  
Universal Month for Human Rights

## Special dates and events

- 1 - World AIDS Day
- 2 - International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
- 3 - Advent Sunday (Christianity) & International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 7 – Hanukkah (Judaism)
- 10 - Human Rights Day
- 18 - International Migrants Day
- 25 - Christmas Day (Christianity)

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January 2024



# January 2024

## Cervical Health Awareness Month

### Special dates and events

- 4 - World Braille Day
- 13 – Maghi - (Sikhism)
- 15 – Martin Luther King Jnr. Day
- 25 – Mahayana New Year (Buddhism) & Thaipusam (Hinduism)

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February 2024



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## LGBTQ+ History Month

### Special dates and events

- 4 – World Cancer Day
- 7 – Lailat al Miraj (Islam)
- 10 – Chinese New Year
- 11 – International Day of Women & Girls in Science
- 14 – Love BNU Community Day
- 15 – Nirvana Day (Buddhism)
- 20 – World Day of Social Justice
- 21 – Shrove Tuesday (Christianity)
- 22 – Ash Wednesday (Christianity)
- 27 - Fairtrade Fortnight

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March 2024



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## Women's History Month

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- 1 - Zero Discrimination Day
- 3 - World Hearing Day
- 8 - International Women's Day UK
- 9 - University Mental Health Day UK
- 10 – Ramadan begins (Islam)
- 14 - Nanakshahi Sikh New Year
- 21 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination & World Down Syndrome Day
- 24 – Good Friday (Christianity) & Magha Puja (Buddhism) & Purim (Judaism)
- 25 – Holi (Hinduism) & Hola Mohalla (Sikhism)
- 31 – Easter Sunday (Christianity) & Trans Day of Visibility (TDOV)

Neurodiversity Celebration Week – TBC  
 Disabled Access Day – TBC

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April 2024





# April 2024

**Autism Awareness Month**  
**Stress Awareness Month**

### Special dates and events

- 2 - World Autism Awareness Day
- 5- [Laylat al-Qadr \(Islam\)](#)
- 7 - World Health Day
- 8 - [International Romani Day](#)
- 9 – [Gudi Padwa Hindi New Year](#) & [Eid al-Fitr \(Islam\)](#)
- 13 – [Vaisakhi \(Sikhism\)](#)
- 14 – Puthandu Tamil New Year & Bengali New Year
- 22 – Stephen Lawrence Day
- 26 – Lesbian Visibility Day

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