

Awareness days are a great opportunity for pupils to explore new topics, and to generate some classroom variation. Awareness days often need planning, so we've summarised all key dates for the first academic term.

September Awareness Days

6th National Read A Book Day
8th International Literacy Day
13th Roald Dahl Story Day
15th – 17th Rosh Hashanah
16th – 22nd Great British Beach Clean
17th – 2nd Oct British Food Fortnight
19th Ganesh Chaturthi
20th National Fitness Day
21st World Gratitude Day, International Day of Peace
23rd Autumn Equinox
26th European Day of Languages
29th National Teaching Assistants' Day, World's Biggest Coffee Morning
30th National Sporting Heritage Day

September Awareness Weeks

19th – 25th International Week of Deaf People
18th – 24th National Coding Week
24th Sept – 2nd Oct The Great Big Green Week
29th – 6th Oct Sukkot

October Awareness Days

1st Harvest Festival begins.
2nd, London Marathon, World Habitat Day, Gandhi Jayanti and Dysgraphia Awareness Day
4th World Animal Day, Saint Francis' Day
6th National Poetry Day
7th World Smile Day
8th World Octopus Day
10th World Homeless Day, World Mental Health Day
11th Ada Lovelace Day
14th The Battle of Hastings 1066, Developmental Language Disorder Awareness Day
15th Global Handwashing Day
16th World Food Day
17th UN International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, Simchat Torah 17th - 18th
22nd International Stammering Awareness Day
24th Diwali, The United Nations Day
25th Dwarfism Awareness Day
26th Bhai Dooj
27th World Occupational Therapy Day
31st Halloween

October Awareness Weeks

3rd – 9th Dyslexia Awareness

1st Harvest Festival - 23rd Oct
4th - 5th Yom Kippur
4th – 10th World Space Week
10th – 16th Dyspraxia Awareness
15th – 25th Navaratri
15th – 21st Invisible Disabilities Week
16th – 22nd Recycle Week
31st – 4th Nov Pension Awareness Week

October Awareness Month

Black History Month
International School Library Month
The Big Draw
Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Dwarfism Awareness Month
ADHD Awareness Month
Down's Syndrome Awareness Month

November Awareness Days

1st All Saints' Day
2nd All Soul's Day
5th Bonfire Night
7th – 17th COP27 - Climate Change Conference
10th World Science Day
11th Remembrance Day
13th World Kindness Day
14th World Diabetes Day
17th BBC Children In Need
19th World Toilet Day
20th Universal Children's Day
27th Guru Nanak's Birthday
30th St. Andrew's Day

November Awareness Weeks

6th – 12th National Children's Book Week
7th - 25th Switch off Fortnight
13th - 20th International Faith Week
13th - 17th World Nursery Rhyme Week
13th - 19th Transgender Awareness Week
14th - 18th Anti-Bullying Week
14th - 18th Maths Week
14th - 20th Road Safety Week 14th - 20th
26th - 4th Dec National Tree Week
30th - 12th Dec COP28

November Awareness Month

Men's Mental Health Awareness Month

16th – 16th Dec Disability History Month

27th – 24th Advent

December Awareness Days

3rd International Day of Persons with Disabilities

4th Tree Dressing Day

7th Computer Science Education Week

8th Christmas Jumper Day and Bodhi Day

10th Human Rights Day

18th Bodhi Day 18th - 26th, International Migrants Day

21st Winter - 21st - 20th March, Sports Personality of the Year, National Robin Day

24th Christmas Eve

25th Christmas Day

26th Boxing Day

31st New Year's Eve