



# DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CALENDAR

**—— 2024 ——** 



# JANUARY 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2	3	4 World Braille Day	5	6	
8 Ethnicity Pay Gap <b>D</b> ay	9	10	11	12	13	14
15 Martin Luther King Jr Day	16	17	18	19	20	<b>21</b> World Religion Day
22	23	24 International Day of Education	25	26	Holocaust Memorial Day	28
29	30	31				

#### HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY

27<sup>th</sup> January

Encourages remembrance in a world scarred by genocide. Holocaust Memorial Day remembers the six million Jews murdered during the Holocaust, alongside the millions of other people killed under Nazi persecution of other groups and in genocides that followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia and Darfur.



# FEBRUARY 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			World Hijab Day Time to Talk Day World Interfaith Harmony Week (1" - 7")	2	3	<b>4</b> World Cancer Day
5 Race Equality Week (5"-11") Sexual Abuse and Sexual Violence Week (5"-11")	6	7 National Girls and Women in Sport Day	8	9	10 Lunar New Year	11
12	13	Lent begins (Christian)	15	16	17	18
19	World Day of Social Justice	21	22	International Stand Up to Bullying Day	24	25
26 Eating Disorder Awareness Week (26 <sup>th</sup> - 3 <sup>rd</sup> March)	27	28	29			

# LGBT+ HISTORY MONTH

An observance of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender history, and the history of the gay rights and related civil rights movements. LGBT History Month provides role models, builds community, and documents the contributions of the LGBTQ+ community to our society.



# MARCH 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				Zero Discrimination Day International Wheelchair Day	2	3 World Hearing Day
4	5	6	7	8 International Women's Day	9	Ramadan begins (10 <sup>th</sup> - 8 <sup>th</sup> April)
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Neurodiversity Celebration Week (18th - 24th)	19	20	World Down Syndrome Day UN International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22	23	24
Holi (Sikh) 25 International day of remembrance of the victims of slavery and the transatlantic slave trade	26	27	28	29	<b>30</b> World Bipolar Day	International Transgender Day of Visibility Easter Sunday (Christian)

# INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

8<sup>th</sup> March

A global day celebrated annually to commemorate the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of women. It is also a focal point in the women's rights movement, bringing attention to issues such as gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women.



# APRIL 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	World Autism Awareness Day	3	4	5	6 International Asexuality Day	<b>7</b> World Health Day
8 International Romani Day	9 Eid al-Fitr (Muslim) (9th - 10th)	10	11	12	Vaisakhi (Sikh)	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
Lesbian Visibility 22 Week (22 <sup>nd</sup> -28 <sup>m</sup> ) Passover (Judaism) (22 <sup>nd</sup> -30 <sup>m</sup> ) Multiple sclerosis awareness week (22 <sup>nd</sup> -28 <sup>m</sup> )	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Good Friday (Christian)	30					

#### NATIONAL AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH

#### RAMADAN

(10<sup>th</sup> March – 8<sup>th</sup> April)

Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic calendar, observed by Muslims worldwide as a month of fasting (sawm), prayer, reflection and community.

A commemoration of Muhammad's first revelation, the annual observance of Ramadan is regarded as one of the Five Pillars of Islam and lasts twenty-nine to thirty days, from one sighting of the crescent moon to the next.



# **MAY** 2023

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		Deaf Awareness Week	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Dementia Action Awareness Week (13°-19°) Mental Health Awareness Week (13°-19°)	14	15	16 Global Accessibility Awareness Day	17 International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	18	19
20	21 World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	22	23 Vesak-Buddha Day (Buddhism)	24 Pansexual Visability Day	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

#### MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS WEEK

13<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>st</sup> May

An annual opportunity for the whole of the UK to focus on achieving good mental health. The week encourages people to start conversations about mental health and the things in our daily lives that can affect it.

**JUNE** 2024

NATIONAL WINDRUSH DAY

22<sup>nd</sup> June

# **JUNE** 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
					Volunteers Week	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	Race Unity Day
10	11	Men's Health Week	13	14	15	16 Eid ul-Adha (Muslim) (16°-19")
17 Learning Disability Week (17**-23**)	18 Autistic Pride Day	19	20 World Refugee Day	21	22 National Windrush Day	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

#### GYPSY, ROMA AND TRAVELLER MONTH

#### MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

# LGBT+ PRIDE MONTH

#### NATIONAL WINDRUSH DAY

22<sup>nd</sup> June

The day honours the British Caribbean community, and the half a million people who travelled to the UK after the Second World War. **JULY** 2024

SOUTH ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH



# **JULY** 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 International Non- Binary Persons Day
15 World Youth Skills Day	16	17	South Aisian Heritage Month (18 <sup>th</sup> - Aug 17 <sup>th</sup> )	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

# DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH

#### SOUTH ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH

It seeks to raise the profile of British South Asian heritage and history in the UK through education, arts, culture and commemoration, with the goal of helping people to better understand the diversity of present-day Britain and improve social cohesion across the country.



# AUGUST 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples	10	11
12 International Youth Day	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	International day commemorating the victims of acts of violence based on religion or belief	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

# INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DAY

12<sup>th</sup> August

A day to recognize the input that young people make in education, community development, environmental groups, and volunteering for different social projects. It also highlights the difficulties that some young people experience throughout the world.



### SEPTEMBER 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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2	3	4	5 International Day of Charity	6 Colour Blindness Day	7	8
		11				
9	World Suicide Prevention Day		12	13	14	Latin American Heritage Month (15th-Oct 15th)
16	17	International Equal Pay Day	19	20	World Alzheimer's Day	22
Bi-Visibility Day 23 International Day of Sign Languages National Inclusion Week (22 <sup>rd</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup> )	24	25	26	27	28	29
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#### WORLD ALZHEIMER'S MONTH

#### COLOUR BLIND AWARENESS DAY

#### 6<sup>th</sup> September

Colour Blind Awareness Day is a fantastic opportunity to celebrate and raise awareness of people with colour blindness. With one in 12 males and one in 200 females having some form of colour blindness, it's likely that most sports teams will have at least one player with the condition.



### OCTOBER 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	International Day 1 of Older Persons Dyspraxia Awareness Week	Rosh Hashanah (Jewish) (2 <sup>nd</sup> -4 <sup>n</sup> ) Dyslexia Awareness Week (2 <sup>nd</sup> -8 <sup>n</sup> )	3	4	5	6 World Cerebral Palsy Day
7	8	9 National Braille Week (9 <sup>th</sup> -16 <sup>th</sup> )	World Mental Health Day World Si <b>ght D</b> ay	National Coming Out Day Yom Kippur (Jewish) (11**-12**)	12	13
14	15	Sukkot (Jewish) (16"-23")	17	Anti-slavery Day World Menopause Day	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26 Intersex Awareness Day	27 National Mentoring Day
28	29	30	31			

# BREST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

# ADHD AWARENESS MONTH

#### BLACK HISTORY MONTH

A acknowledgement and celebration of the Black experience, Black History Month highlights the huge contribution that Black men and women have made to society. With Black history often sidelined, appropriated and misrepresented, this month-long observance recognises the importance and impact of those stories.



### NOVEMBER 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
				1 Diwali (Hindu) Bandi Chhor Divas (Sikh)	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	Rememberance Sunday
11 Rememberance Day	12	13	14	15	16 International day of Tolerance UK Disability History Month (16**- Dec 16**)	17
18	19	20 Transgender Day of Remembrance	21	22	23	24
25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	26	27	28	29	30	

#### RAINBOW LACES

#### MOVEMBER

#### ISLAMOPHOBIA AWARENESS MONTH

Founded in 2012, Islamophobia Awareness Month seeks to deconstruct and challenge the stereotypes about Islam and Muslims. The monthlong campaign aims to work with a wide array of organisations to increase awareness and understanding of the problematic narratives and discrimination faced by Muslims in the UK.

### DECEMBER 2024

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
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2	International Day of Persons with Disabilities	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Human Rights Day	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18 International Migrants Day	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Christmas Day (Christian) Hanu <b>k</b> kah (Judaism) (25 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Jan 2 <sup>nd</sup> )	26	27	28	29
30	31					

# INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

3<sup>rd</sup> December

This day aims to promote an understanding of disability issues and mobilise support for the dignity, rights and well-being of persons with disabilities. It also seeks to increase awareness of gains to be derived from the integration of persons with disabilities in every aspect of political, social, economic and cultural life.