- 1st Mary, mother of God (Christian)

  Feast of St. Basil (Orthodox Christian)
- 2-4 Mahayana New Year\* (Buddhist)
- 5th Twelfth Night (Christian)
- 6th Epiphany Three Kings Day (Christian)

  Feast of Theophany—Christmas Eve

  (Orthodox Christian, Ethiopian,
- 7th Christmas Day (Orthodox Christian)
  Baptism of the Lord (Jesus)\*
- 8th Seijin Shiki/Adults Day\* (Shinto)
- 13th Maghi (Sikh)
  St Hilary's Day (Christian)
- 14th New Year's Day (Orthodox Christian)

Makar Sankranti\* (Hindu)

- 16th Chinese New Year\* (the year of the
- 17th St. Anthony's of Egypt (Christian)
- 19th Birthday of Dorothy Clutterbuck (Pagan, Celtic)
- 20th Celtic Tree Month of Birch -end (Pagan,
- 21st Celtic Tree Month of Rowan beginning (Pagan, Celtic)
- 24th The Festival of Sementivae (Roman)
- 25th St Paul's Day (Christian)
- 30th Birthday of Z Budapest (Pagan)

Up Helly Aa\* (Scotland/Pagan)

31st Parkash Utsav Dasveh Patshah (Sikhim)

Tu Bishvat\* (Jewish)

Blue Moon\*

## January 2018

### Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

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Bank holiday: 1st January

January is Love your liver month; Cervical Health Awareness Month;

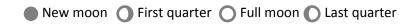
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National Obesity Awareness Week\*: 9 –15 January

Week of prayer for Christian Unity\* (Christian) - 18-25 January

National Storytelling Week\*: 27 January –3 February

Celtic Tree Month of Rowan (Pagan) begins 21st January



# Special Days



#### 1st New Years' Day

Independence Day for: Australia, Brunei, Cameroon, Samoa, Slovakia,

Sudan

Declaration of Independence (Haiti)

Birth of Czech Republic

2nd Bank Holiday Scotland

3rd Festival of Sleep Day

Myanmar Independence Day

World Braille Day (UN)

11th Human Trafficking Awareness Day

(International)

Antigua and Barbuda Independence Day

14th STiQ Day (UK)

4th

18th Germany Independence Day

Winnie the Pooh Day (Fictional/UK)

19th Martin Luther King Day (USA)

20th Penguin Awareness Day (UN)

21st National Hug Day

World Religion Day\* (International)

22nd Day of Unity of Ukraine

23rd Liechtenstein Independence Day

Netherlands Independence Day

25th Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against

violence against women and girls

26th Republic Day (India)

Australia Dav

27th Holocaust Memorial Day (UN)

28th Data Protection Day (European)

World Leprosy Day\* (UN)

31st Nauru Independence Day

1st	Imbolc (Wikka/Pagan)
2nd	Candlemas (Christian)
3rd	Setsubun-sai (Shinto)
11th	Transfiguration Sunday* (Christian)
12th	Death of Gerald Gardner (Pagan)
13th	December 1 December 24 Sty
	Parentalia (Pagan-ends on 21 <sup>st</sup> )
	Lupercalia –ends on 15th (Pagan, Wicca)  Shrove Tuesday /Pancake Day* (Christian)
	Mardi Gras* (Christian)
13-14	Maha Shivaratri * (Hindu)
14th	St Valentine's Day (Christian)
	Ash Wednesday—Lent Begins* (ends 29th March—Christian)
15th	Parinirvana/ Nirvana Day (Buddhist) - or 8th
	February
16th	Chinese New Year*; The year of the Dog
	Lantern Festival* (Chinese, Confucian, Daoist Buddhist)
	Losar—Tibetan New Year* (Buddhist)
17th	Celtic Tree Month of Rowan ends (Pagan)
18th	Celtic Tree Month of Ash-begins—ends 17th March (Pagan, Wicca)
19th	Clean Monday* (Orthodox Christian) - Lent Begins* (ends 3rd April—Orthodox Christian)
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21st	Birthday of author Patricia Telesco (Pagan)
22nd	Saraswati Puja/Basant Panchami/Basant Festival of Kites* (Hindu, Sikh)
	Birthday of author Sybil Leek (Pagan)
28th	Triodion begins* (Orthodox Christian)

Fast of Esther\* (Jewish)

## February 2018

Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

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February is: LGBT History Month; World Cancer awareness month; Youth Leadership Month and Fairtrade Fortnight Month; National hearth month; Raynaud's and Scleroderma Awareness Month

National Eating Disorders Awareness Week\*; 23 February— 1st March

Tinnitus Awareness Week\*: 3— 9 February

Fair trade fortnight\*: 26th February—11th March

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# Special Days 500T

National Time to Talk Day\* (UK) 1st

Sri Lanka Independence Day

World Cancer Day (UN)

British Yorkshire Pudding Day\* (UK)

National Doodle Day (UK; Epilepsy action) 5th

International Day of Zero Tolerance to Fe-6th male Genital Mutilation (UN)

Safer Internet Day\* (UK)

Grenada Independence Day 7th

11th Vatican City Independence Day

International Day of Women and Girls in Science (UN)

12th Chile Independence Day (from Spain; and

18th September)

Darwin Day\* (Atheist/Humanist)

13th World Radio Day (UN)

St Valentine's Day (International)

Serbia Independence Day 15th

Gambia Independence Day

Lithuania Independence Day

World Day of Social Justice (UN) 20th

International Mother Language Day (UN)

22nd Saint Lucia Independence Day

Estonia Independence Day

Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls

Dominican Republic Independence Day

28th Egypt Independence Day

Fair trade fortnight (ends 13th March)

Nineteen day fast begins (ends 20th -Baha'i)  Purim* (Jewish) - begins at sundown (11-12th)					
Shushan Purim* - begins at sundown (Jewish) Women's World Day of Prayer* (Christian)					
Holi* (Hindu)					
Hinamatsuri/Dolls' Festival/Girls' Day (Japanese)					
Holla Mohalla* (Sikh)					
Mothering Sunday* (Christian)					
Fravardin/ Muktad* (Iranian Zoroastrian) - or 7- 16th August (Kadmi)					
Nanakshahi New Year (Sikh)					
St. Patrick's Day (Christian) - Bank holiday-NI)					
Ramayana* (Hindu)					
St. Joseph's Day (Christian)					
Fast ends (begins on 1st March—Baha'i)					
Spring Equinox / Eoster/Ostara* (Pagan) Nowruz /or (Persian, Baha'I)*					
Jamshedi Noruz (Zoroastrian)					
Maha Shivaratri* (Hindu)					
Feast of Annunciation* (Christian)					
Rama Navami* (Hindu)					
Palm Sunday* (Christian & Orthodox Christian) Khordad Sal* (Zoroastrian) (or 28th March) -					
somethimes celebrated on 24th August					
Yom HaAliyah*(Jewish)					
Sri Mahavir Jayanti* (Jain)					
Maundy Thursday* (Christian)					
Lent ends* (Christian) Good Friday* (Christian) - National holiday					
Fast of First born* (Jewish)					
Pesach* (Passover), first day (Jewish): 30th March —7th April Blue Moon*					
MAGHA PUJA* (Buddhist)					
Lazarus Saturday* (Orthodox Christian)					
Hanuman Jayanti* (Hindu)					
Lords Evening Meal* (Jehovah's Witness)					
Holy Saturday* (Christian)					

#### **March 2018**

Major observances are denoted in bold 
\* movable days

British Summer time begins\* 25th March
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#### Bank Holiday: 30th March (Good Friday)

March is: Prostate Cancer Awareness Month; Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month; International Women's Month; Red Cross Month

Nutrition and Hydration week\*: 12—18 March

Brain Awareness week: 13—19 March

Tick Bite Prevention Week: 24—30 March

Down's Syndrome Awareness Week: 18—24 March

National MS week: 3—9 March

# Special Days SOUTHAMPTOI



1st	Zero Discrimination Day (UN)
	Self-harm awareness Day (UK)

World Book Day\* (UK and Ireland)

3rd World Wildlife Day (UN)7th National Doodle Day (UK)

8th International Women's Day (UN)

12th Commonwealth Day\* (Commonwealth)

14th Pi Day (World wide)

No smoking day\* (UK)

18th Child Sexual Exploitation Awareness Day (UK)

World Sleep Day \*

20th Spring Equinox\*

International Day of Happiness (UN)

French Language Day (UN)

21st International day for the Elimination of Racial

Discrimination (UN)

World Poetry Day (UN)

International Day of Nowruz (UN)

World Down Syndrome Day (UN)

22nd World water day (UN)

23rd World Meteorological Day (WMO)

#### **Pakistan Republic Day**

24th World Tuberculosis day (UN)

25th International Day of Remembrance of the Vic-

tims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave  $\,$ 

Trade

Greece Independence Day

Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls

27th World Theatre Day (UN)

1st	Easter Sunday (Christian)
2nd	Easter Monday* (Christian)
3rd	Lent Ends* (Orthodox Christian)
6th	Good Friday* (Orthodox Christian)
7th	Final Day of Passover* (Jewish)
8th	Easter Sunday–Pascha* (Orthodox Christian)
13th	Songkran-New Year Festival (Buddhist in Thailand)
	Lailat al Miraj* (Muslim)
15th	Vaisakhi—Creation of Khalsa* (Sikh)- in Southampton the procession is usually
	organised on Sunday closest to 13 <sup>th</sup> or 14 <sup>th</sup>

18th Birthday of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Sikh)
Akshaya Tritiya\* (Jain)

20/21 Ridvan 1st day\* (Baha'i)

April

22nd Adar Mah Parab\* (Zoroastrian)

23rd St. George's Day (Christian)

28/29 Ridvan 9th day\* (Baha'i)

30 Theravada New Year\* (Buddhist)

#### **April 2018**

Major observances are denoted in bold 
\* movable days

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#### Bank Holiday: 2nd April (Easter Monday)

April is autism awareness month; stress awareness month; Bowel cancer awareness month; Sarcoidosis awareness month; IBS awareness month; Caesarean awareness month

National Gardening Week\*: 10 –16 April

Allergy awareness week\*: 25th April - 1st May

New moon First quarter Full moon Last quarter

# Special Days SOUTHAMPTON CITY COUNCIL

1st April Fools' Day Atheist Day (Secular) World Autism Awareness day (UN) 2nd First Contact Day (Star Trek) International day of Sport for Development 6th and Peace (UN) 7th World Health day (UN) The World Pillow Fight Day\* International Roma Day (Roma/ International) 10th Comfortable Clothing Day (Fictional) 11-12 Yom HaShoah\* (Israel Holocaust Memorial 12th International day of Human Space Flight (UN) 17th Yom Hazikaron\* (Israeli Memorial Day) 18-19 Yom Ha'atzmaut\* (Israeli Independence Day) 20th Chinese Language Day 21st Queen's Birthday (official Birthday is in June) - Happy Birthday! 22nd International Mother Earth Day (UN) 23rd Shakespeare Birthday **UN English Language Day** World Book and Copyright Day (UN) Armenian Christian Martyr day (Armenia) 25th World Malaria Day (UN) World Penguin Day (UN) Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls

World Jazz Day (UN)

1st	Beltane (Wicca, Pagan)
	Lailat al Bara'ah* (Muslim)
1-2	Ridvan 12 <sup>th</sup> day* (Baha'i)
2nd	Birthday of Guru Arjan Dev (Sikh)
10th	Lag B'Omer (begins at sundown—Jewish) Stow Fair* (Roma)
10111	Ascension Day Feast of the Ascension*
	(Christian)
15th	Ramadan begins*—ends 14th June (Muslim)
19th	Shavout* (Jewish)
20th	Wickham Fair (Roma)
	Pentecost* (Orthodox Christian, Western Christian)
21st	Whit Monday* (Christian, Public holiday in France)
23rd	Birthday of Guru Amar Das (Sikh)
24th	Sara's Day (Roma)
27th	Trinity Sunday*(Christian)
29th	All Saints Day *(Orthodox Christian) Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)
	Visakha Puja - Buddha Day (Buddhism)
	Vesak the Day of the Full Moon*
31st	Corpus Christi* (Catholic Christian)

#### May 2018

#### Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

#### 7th and 28th May —national Bank holidays\*

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#### Ramadan begins\*: 15th May—14th June

May is National walking month; National stroke awareness month; Family wellness month; Mental health awareness month; Lyme Disease Awareness month; Hepatitis awareness month; Cystic Fibrosis month, National Smile Month

Hedgehog Awareness Week\*: 1–7 May (TBC)

Deaf Awareness week\*: 15 – 21 May

Dystonia Awareness week: 3—11 May

Mental Health Awareness week\*: 16-22 May

Coeliac Awareness week\*: 9—15 May

M.E. Awareness week\*: 11—17 May

Arthritis Care Awareness week\*: 14-21 May

Huntington's Disease Awareness Week\*: 11—17 May

Dementia awareness week: 15—21 May National Vegetarian Week: 16— 22 May National epilepsy week 18—24 May

Global Road Safety Week (UN)\*: 8—May

# Special Days 1st Labour Day (UN)



1st	Labour Day (ON)	CITY	COUNCIL
	International Workers'	Day (Wo	orldwide)

May Day (International)
World Press Freedom Day (UN)

#### Polish Constitution Day

National Day of Reason\* (USA)
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5th Dutch Liberation Day (Netherlands)

7th May Bank Holiday\* (UK) 8th World Red Cross Day

#### The end of WW2 9th Europe Day of the European Union (EU)

12th International Nurses Day (Secular)

13th Yom Yerushalayaim; Jerusalem Day\* (Israel)

15th International Day of Families (UN)

Paraguay Independence Day

17th World Telecommunications & Info. Society Day

(UN)

#### International Day Against Homophobia

20th East Timor Independence Day Cameroon National Day

Cuban Independence Day

21st World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and

Development (UN)
Yemen National Day

22nd Yemen National Day
World Goth Day (UK)

24th Bermuda Day

Eritrea Independence Day

25th Jordan Independence Day

Argentina Revolution Day

Africa Day (various African Countries)

Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness & take action against violence against women & girls

26th Georgia Independence Day

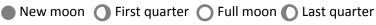
Guyana Independence Day 28th Ethiopia National Day

Spring Holiday (UK)

29th International Day of UN Peacekeepers

Vesak the Day of the Full Moon (UN)

31st World No-Tobacco Day (UN)



8th	Sacred Heart of Jesus *(Catholic Christian)
9th	St. Columba of Iona Day (Celtic Christian)
10th	Lalat al Kadr* (Muslim)
13th	St. Anthony's Feast* (Christian)
14th	Ramadan ends* (Muslim)
15th	Eid-ul-Fitr UK* (Muslim)
16th	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev (Sikh) Sa- heedi Guru Arjan Dev Ji
21st	June Solstice; * Litha* (Wicca, Pagan)
29th	Peter & Paul Day (Christian)

#### **June 2018**

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Summer begins: 21<sup>nd</sup> June\*

End of Ramadan: 14th June\*

June is Gay & Lesbian Pride Month (US); Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month; National Smile Month; Everyman Male Cancer Awareness Month; National Osteoporosis Month; National Cancer Survivors Month; Sands Awareness Month

Carers Week\*: 4-10 June

Child Safety Week\*: 5 - 11 June

British Heart Week: 7—15 June

National Blood Week\*: 8—14 June (2018 dates —tbc)

National Neighbourhood Watch Week\*: 18—26 June (2018 dates —tbc)

National Picnic Week and Bike Week\*: 9—17 June

World Refugee Week\*: 18—24 June

Helen Keller Deaf-Blind Awareness Week & Deafblind awareness week\*:

24-30 June

Drowning Prevention Week\*: 18—26 June National Breastfeeding Week\*: 20—26 June

Volunteer week: 1-12 June

Diabetes Week\*: 11—17 June (2018 dates —tbc)



#### **Special Days**



1st Global Day for parents (UN) C International Children's Day (UN)

Samoa Independence Day

World Milk Day

2nd Festa De la Republica (Italy)

4th International Day of Innocent Children Victims of

Aggression (UN)

5th World Environment Day (UN)

Constitution Day (Denmark)

6th Sweden National Day

Russian Language Day (UN) World Chocolate Day

7th Appleby Horse Fair\* (7-13th June; Roma)

8th World Oceans Day (UN)

9th World Knit in Public Day\*

10th Portugal Independence Day

June The Queen's Official Birthday is now marked on the first, second, or third Saturday in June; usually in

the range 11 – 17 June\* - Happy Birthday!

12th World Day Against Child Labour (UN)

Russia Day

14th World Blood Donor Day (UN)

Trooping the Colour (Bank Holiday in Scotland)

15th World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (UN)

17th Father's day\* (UK)

19th World Sickle Cell Awareness Day

20th World Refugee Day (UN)

Refugee Week\* (18-24 UN)

21st International Day of Yoga (UN)

World Humanist Day (Secular)

23rd International Widow's Day (UN)

25th Day of the Seafarer (UN)

Slovenia Statehood Day

Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls

26th International Day in Support of Victims of Torture/

International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking (UN)

30th Armed Forces Day \* (UK)

5th	Birthday of Guru Hargobind (Sikh)
6th	Birth of Dalai Lama (Buddhist)
8-9	Martyrdom of the Bab (Baha'i)
9th	Martyrdom of Imam Jafar* (Muslim, Iran)
11th	St. Benedict Day (Catholic Christian)
13-15	Obon* (Taoist, Shinto - sometimes celebrated in August; new/old calendar)
15th	Saint Vladimir Day (Christian)
	Saint Swithin's Day (Christian)
21-22	Tish'a B'Av* (Jewish)
22nd	Saint Mary Magdalene (Christian)
23rd	Birthday of Guru Har Krishen (Sikh)
24th	Pioneer Day (Mormon)
27th	Tu B'AV (Jewish)
	Asala – Dharma Day* (Buddhist) - or 28th Jul

# **July 2018**

#### Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

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July is National Ice Cream Month; Make a Difference to Children Month; Family Reunion Month, Ethnic Minorities Cancer Awareness Month									
National childhood obesity week: 2—8 July									
1	New moon First quarter Full moon Last quarter								

# Special Days SOUTHAMPTON



4th	Independence Day (USA)
6th	International Kissing Day (UK, Worldwide)
7th	International Day of Cooperatives* (UN)
10th	Nikola Tesla Day (International)
11th	World Population Day (UN)
12th	Orangemen's Day Battle of the Boyne (Bank Holiday in Northern Ireland)
14th	Pandemonium Day (fun /unofficial day)
	MELA* (local festival run by Art Asia—date TBC; usually 2nd or 3rd Saturday in July)
	Bastille Day—Fête nationale (France)
15th	Ice Cream Day * (UK)
17th	International Justice Day (UN)
	World Emoji Day
18th	Nelson Mandela International Day
20th	International Cake Day
23rd	Birthday of Haile Selassie I (Ethiopia, Rastafarian)
24th	Samaritans Awareness Day (UK)
	Pioneer Day (Public Holiday in the USA)
25th	Orange Day (UN) - a <b>day</b> to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls
28th	World Hepatitis Day (Worldwide)
30th	International Day of Friendship (UN) World Day Against Trafficking in Persons, UN

1st	Lughnasadh - Lammas (Pagan; Christian)
6th	Feast of Transfiguration (Orthodox Christian)
7th- 16th	Fravardigan/ Muktad* (Kadmi) - or 11-20th; March; or 4th September Iranian Zoroastrian
15th	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Christian)
	Dormition of the Theotokos (Orthodox Christian)
20-21	Waqf al Arafa – Hajj Day* -dates may vary (Muslim)
21-25	Eid-ul-Adha* (Muslim)
24th	Onam* (Hindu)
25th	Ghost Festival* (Buddhist) Thiru Onam* (Hindu)
26th	Ancestor day—Ulambana* (Buddhist) Raksha Bandhan* (Hindu)
29th	Beheading of John the Baptist (Christian)

### August 2018

#### Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

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August is Women's Small Business Month; What will be your Legacy Month; Black Business Month; Psoriasis Awareness Month

#### 27th—Summer Bank Holiday\*

World Breastfeeding Week: 1—7 August

National Allotment Week\*: 13—19 August

■ New moon First quarter Full moon Last quarter



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	1st	Benin National Day Foundation of the Swiss Cor	CITY CO nfederatio	
	3rd	International Beer Day *		
	4th	National Aboriginal and Islam (Australia)	nder Child	ren's Da
	5th	Friendship Day* (US)		
	6th	Jamaica National Day Bolivia Independence Day Summer Bank Holiday* (Sco	otland)	
	7th	Cote d'Ivoire National Day		
	9th	International Day of the Wo ples (UN) Singapore National Day	rld's Indig	enous P
	10th	Ecuador National Day		
	11th	Chad National Day		
	12th	International Youth Day		
	14th	Pakistan Independence Day		
	15th 17th	VJ Day (1945) India Independence Day Liechtenstein National Day Republic of Congo Independ Birthday of Marcus Garvey (Rastafarian) Indonesia Proclamation of In	·	nce
	19th	World Humanitarian Day (U Afghanistan Independence I		
	23rd	International Day for the Re Slave Trade and Its Abolitio		nce of th
	24th	Ukraine National Day		
	25th	Orange Day (UN) Uruguay Independence Day		
	26th	Southampton Pride* (date : Women's Equality Day (USA Mother Teresa—Birthday ar	.)	
	27th	Moldova National Day		
	27th	Summer Bank Holiday* (UK	<b>(</b> )	
	29th	International Day against Nu	uclear Test	ts (UN)

Malaysia National Day Kyrgyzstan National Day

Trinidad and Tobago National Day

1st Parkash (first reading) Aadh Granth Sahib or First Installation of Adi Granth (Sikh)

Leil Selichot\* (Jewish)

2nd Krishna Janmashtami\* (Hindu)

6th- Paryushan Parva\* (Jain)

14th

8th Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10th- Rosh Hashana\* (Jewish)

11th

11th Enkutatash-Ethiopian/Coptic New Year\*

(Ethiopia, Rastafari)

Islamic New Year\* (Muslim)

Al-Hijira\* (Muslim)

12th Fast of Gedalliah\* (Jewish)

12–23 Ganesh Chaturthi\* (Hindu)

14th The Triumph of the Cross (Christian)

18-19 Yom Kippur\* (Jewish)

20-21 Ashura\* (Muslim)

21st Nativity of Theotokos (Orthodox Christian)

23rd Harvest Festival\* (Pagan) - tbc

23rd- Sukkot\* -start at sundown on 23rd & ends

30th sundown on the 30th (Jewish)

27th Meskel\* (Ethiopian)

29th Saint Michael, Saint Gabriel and Saint Raphael's Day

29-30 Hoshanah Rabbah\*—the last day of Sukkot

(Jewish)

## September 2018

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#### Autumn Equinox\* 23rd September

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month; People Skills Month; Women's Friendship Month; Leukaemia and Lymphoma Awareness;

Month; Sickle Cell Disease Awareness Month; Reye's Syndrome Awareness Month

Sexual Health Week\*: 11—17 September (tbc)

National Eczema Week: 17—25 September

Migraine Awareness Week\*: 3—9 September



## **Special Days**



	CITYCOUNCI
1st	Slovakia Constitutional Day Uzbekistan Independence Day
2nd	Vietnam National Day
3rd	National Foundation Day (San Marino)
5th	International Day of Charity (UN)
6th	Swaziland Independence Day
7th	Brazil Independence Day
8th	International Literacy Day (UN) Andorra National Day Independence Day— Scotland, Macedonia
9th	Leo Nikolayevich Tolstoy Birthday
	National Day—North Korea; Tajikistan
10th	World Suicide Prevention Day
13th	219 Birthday to the George III Bargate Statue
15th	(Southampton—presented to the town in 1809) International Day of Democracy (UN) Independence Days: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Gua
16th	temala , Honduras , Nicaragua Preservation of the Ozone Layer Day (UN) Independence Day- Mexico, Papua New Guinea
17th	Australian Citizenship Day
18th	Chile National Day
19th	Saint Kitts and Nevis Independence Day Talk like a pirate day
21st	International Day of Peace (UN) World's Alzheimer's Day (UN) Armenia Independence Day Jeans for Genes Day*
22nd	World Car Free Day (UN) Mali Proclamation of Independence Start of Oktoberfest* (ends 7th October)
24th	Guinea Bissau Independence Day
25th	Orange Day (UN)
26th	European Day of Languages World Contraception Day (International)
27th	World Tourism Day (UN)
	World Maritime Day* (UN)

World Rabies Day (UN)

World Heart Day

28th

1st	Shmini Atzeret (Jewish)
2nd	Feast of the Guardian Angels (Christian)
	Simchat Torah (Jewish)
4th	Saint Francis Day (Christian)
8th	Thanksgiving* (Canada)
9-17	Navaratri*: (Hindu)
13th	Saint Edward's Day (Christian)
19th	Dussehra* (Hindu)
20th	Installation of the scriptures as Gukru Granth (Sikh)
21-22	Birth of Baha'u'llah—Bicentennial of the birth (Baha'i)
26th	Stow Fair* (Roma) - tbc
28th	Milvian Bridge Day (Christian)
31st	All Hallow's Eve (Christian)
	Samhain (Hallowe'en, Pagan)
	Reformation Day (Protestant Christian)

#### October 2018

Major observances are denoted in bold

# British Summer time ends\*: 28th October— CLOCKS GO BACK 1 HOUR AT 2AM

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	22	23	240	25	26	27	28
	29	30	310				

October is Breast cancer awareness month; Black history month; Rett Syndrome Awareness Month; Lupus Awareness Month, SIDS awareness month, Stoptober (stop smoking month)

World Space Week: 4—10 October

Baby Loss Awareness Week: 9—15 October

Back-care Awareness Week: 7—11 October

Libraries Week: 9 – 14 October

National Chocolate Week\*: 9—15 October (tbc)

National Curry Week\*: 9 –15 October (tbc)

National Arthritis Week: 7—11 October

National Baking Week\*: 16—22 October (tbc)

Get Online Week\*: tbc

National Hate Crime Awareness Week\*: 13—20 October



## **Special Days**

International Day of Older Persons (UN)



1st	international Day of Older Fersons (ON)				
130	Palau Independence Day				
	Cyprus Independence Day				
	Nigeria Independence Day				
	World Vegetarian Day				
	International Coffee Day				
	World Habitat Day* (UN)				
2nd	International Day of Non-Violence (UN) Guinea Independence Day				
3rd	Iraq Independence Day				
4th Lesotho Independence Day World Space Week (4-10th) World Ballet Day* (around 4th Octobe					
5th	World Teachers' Day (UN)				
8th	Croatia Independence Day				
9th	Uganda Independence Day				
	World Post Day (UN)				
10th	<b>World Mental Health Day (UN)</b> Fiji Independence Day				
11th	International Day of the Girl Child (UN)				
	National Coming Out Day (UK, USA, Switzerland)				
	World Sight Day* (UN)				
12th	Equatorial Guinea Independence Day				
	Spanish Language Day (UN)				
15th	International Day of Rural Women (UN)				
16th	World Food Day (NU)				
17th	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty (UN)				
18th	Azerbaijan Independence Day				
	International Credit Union Day*				
21st	National Heroes Day (UK)				
24th	United Nations Day (UN)				
	Zambia Independence Day				
25th	Orange Day (UN)				
26th	Austria Restoration of Sovereignty Day				
27th	Turkmenistan Independence Day				
28th	Czech Republic Independence Day				

All Caints' Day / All Hallows\* / Mostorn

1st	All Saints' Day/ All Hallows* ( Western Christian)
2nd	All Souls' Day (Christian)
	Coronation of Emperor Haile Selassie I (Rastafari)
6-7	Sigd*(Jewish Ethiopian)
7th- 11th	Diwali* - will continue for 5 days (Hindu, Sikh, Jain)
8th	Jain New Year *
8th- 9th	Annakut / Govardhan Puja (Hindu)  Birth of the Bab (evening of 8th to evening of 9th—Baha'i)
15th	Nativity Fast Begins (Orthodox Christian)
20th- 21st	Eid Milad ul-Nabi*—Prophet Muhammed's Birthday )from evening of 20th to evening of 21st) (Muslim)
22nd	Thanksgiving* (USA)
22-23	Birthday of Guru Nanak* (Guru Nanak Jayanti—Sikh)
23rd	Anapanasati Day* (Buddhism)
25th	Feast of Christ the King* (Christian)
28th	Baha'i Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha* (Baha'i)

30th St. Andrew of Scotland (Christian; Bank Holi-

day in Scotland)

#### **November 2018**

Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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26	27	28	29	300		

Movember: lasts a whole month of November

Men's Health Awareness Month; Lung Cancer Awareness Month; Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month; World Vegan Month

Interfaith Awareness Week\*: 11—18 November Alcohol Awareness Week\*: 13—19 November GERD awareness week\*: 23—29 November

National Tree Week\*: 26th Nov-4th Dec; the date set each year

Anti Bullying Week\*: mid November; 13—17 November National HIV Testing Week\*: 17—23 November (date tbc)

UK Road Safety Week\*: 20—26 November

## New moon First quarter Full moon Last quarter

## **Special Days**



1st	Antigua & Barbuda Independence Day Movember Month (1-30 <sup>th)</sup>					
3rd	Dominica Independence Day Panama separation from Colombia Day					
5th	Guy Fawkes Day—Bonfire night (UK)					
7th	International nystagmus awareness day, or WOBBLY WEDNESDAY*					
9th	Cambodia Independence Day					
10th	World Science Day for Peace and Development (UN)					
11th	Armistice Day (International) Angola Independence Day Restoration of Poland's Independence Remembrance Sunday*					
13th	World Kindness Day					
14th	World Diabetes Day (UN)					
16th	International Day for Tolerance (UN) World Philosophy Day* (UN)					
18th	Morocco Independence Day					
19th	Latvia Independence Day World Toilet Day (UN)					
13(11	International Men's Day (International)					
20th	Universal Children's Day (UN)					
	Mexico Revolution Day					
21st	World Television Day (UN)					
22nd	Lebanon Independence Day					
24th	Carers Rights Day* (UK)					
25th	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (UN)/White Ribbon Day Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls					
	Suriname Independence Day					
27th	Giving Tuesday* (UK, USA)					
27th 28th	Albania, Panama and Mauritania Independence Day					
2011	Parhadas Indonandansa Day					

**Barbados Independence Day** 

Yemen Independence Day

2nd	Advent Sunday—Advent begins* (Christian)
2nd	Hanukkah* (or Chanukah; Jewish)
 10th	
6th	Saint Nicholas Day (Christian)
8th	Christian Immaculate Conception of Virgin Mary (Christian)
	Rohatsu (Bodhi Day (Buddhist)
12th	Christian Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe (Christian)
18th	Fast of 10 Tevet* (Jewish)
21st	Winter Solstice, Yule* (Pagan)
22nd	Cold Moon* (Pagan)
24th	Christmas Eve (Christian)
	Orthodox Christian Advent Fast ends (Orthodox Christian)
	Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sakib (Sikh)
25th	Christmas Day (Christian)
26th	Boxing Day (Christian)
	Kwanzaa (26th Dec-1st Jan; Interfaith, USA)
	Zarathosht Diso (Death of Prophet.

Zarathushtra—Zoroastrian)

27th St. Stephen's Day (Orthodox

28th The Holy Innocents (Christian)31st Watch Night (Christian)

Church)

St. Stephen's Day (Christian/Western

#### **December 2018**

Major observances are denoted in bold \* movable days

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24	25	26	27	28	29 <sup>O</sup>	30
31						

UK public holidays:

25th December Christmas Day | 26th December Boxing Day \*

National tree week\*: 26th Nov-4th Dec—the date set each year

Anger Awareness Week\*: 1-7 December

Winter begins - 21st December

New moon First quarter Full moon Last quarter

## **Special Days**

World AIDS Day (UN)



1st	World AIDS Day (UN)			
	Dominican Republic Independence Day			
	Iceland Independence Day			
2nd	Restoration of Portuguese Independence International Day for the Abolition of Slavery (UN)			
	United Arab Emirates Independence Day			
	Laos National Day			
3rd	Internat. Day of Persons with Disabilities (UN)			
4th 5th	Santa's List Day (Worldwide) World Soil Day (UN)			
3	International Volunteer Day for Economic & Social Development (UN)			
6th	Finland Independence Day			
7th	International Civil Aviation Day (UN)			
8th	Pretend to be a time traveller day			
9th	International Anti-Corruption Day (UN)			
	Tanzania Day (Independence of Tanganyika)			
10th	Human Rights Day (UN)			
11th	International Mountain Day (UN)			
12th	Kenya Independence Day			
14th	Monkey Day			
16th	Kazakhstan Independence Day			
18th	International Migrants Day (UN)			
	Qatar Independence Day			
2011	Arabic Language Day (UN)			
20th	International Human Solidarity Day (UN)			
21st	Winter Solstice*			
24th	Libya Independence Day  Christmas Day—Public Holiday			
25th 26th	Orange Day (UN) - a day to raise awareness and take action against violence against women and girls  Boxing Day - Public holiday*			
2001	Slovenia Independence and Unity Day			
29th	Mongolia Independence Day			