

EDI CALENDAR 2026

January - June

Calendar including events run and supported by equality organisations in the UK

	January	February	March	April	May	June
Religion & Belief	6: Epiphany (Ch) 7: Orthodox Christmas Day (Ch) 14: Orthodox New Year (Ch) 16: Isra and Mi'raj (Is) 18: World Religion Day 20: Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh (Si)	1: Tu B'Shevat (Arbor Day) (Ju) 15: Parinirvana Day (Bu) Maha Shivaratri (Hi) 17: Shrove Tuesday (Ch) First day of Ramadan (Is) 18: Ash Wednesday (First Day of Lent) (Ch)	2: Purim (Ju) 4: Holi (Hi) 15: Laylatul Qadr (Night of Power) (Is) 18: Last day of Ramadan (Is) 19: Eid ul Fitr (Is) First day of Navaratri (Hi) 21: Feast of Naw-Ruz (New Year) (Ba) 27: Last day of Navaratri (Hi) 29: Palm Sunday (Ch)	1: First Day of Passover (Ju) 2: Maundy Thursday (Ch) 3: Good Friday (Ch) 5: Easter Sunday (Ch) 6: Easter Monday (Ch) 9: Last day of Passover (Ju) 10: Orthodox Good Friday (Ch) 11: Orthodox Holy Saturday (Ch) 12: Orthodox Easter (Ch) 13: Orthodox Easter Monday (Ch) Yom HaShoah (Ju) 14: Vaisakhi (Si) 20: First day of Ridvan (Ba) 21: Yom HaAtzmaut (Ju)	1: Wesak (Buddha Day) (Bu) 2: Last day of Ridvan (Ba) 4: Lag B'Omer (Ju) 14: Ascension Day (Ch) 21: Shavuot (Ju) 23: Declaration of the Bab (Ba) 24: Pentecost (Ch) 25: Whit Monday (Ch) 26: First day of Eid Al-Adha (Is) 28: Ascension of Bahá'u'llah (Ba) 30: Last day of Eid al-Adha (Is) 31: Trinity Sunday (Ch)	4: Corpus Christi (Ch) 16: Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev (Si) 16: Al-Hijra (New Year) (Is) 25: Ashura (Is)
Disability	4: World Braille Day	4: World Cancer Day 6: Time to Talk Day 9: International Epilepsy Day 23-1 Mar: Eating Disorders Awareness Week	1: Self Injury Awareness Day International Wheelchair Day 3: World Hearing Day 12: University Mental Health Day 21: World Down Syndrome Day 30: World Bipolar Day 30-6 Apr: World Autism Acceptance Week	Bowel Cancer Awareness Month 2: World Autism Day 20-26: MS Awareness Week	5: World Asthma Day 4-10: Deaf Awareness Week 11-17: Mental Health Awareness Week 21: Global Accessibility Awareness Day 18-24: Epilepsy Awareness Week 19-25: Dementia Awareness Week	8-14: Diabetes Awareness Week 15-21: Learning Disability Week 19: Sickle Cell Awareness Day 22-28: Deafblind Awareness Week
Age		9-15: Children's Mental Health Week	15: Young Carers Action Day 18: Stop Child Sexual Exploitation National Awareness Day		14: National Children's Day	5: Childhood Day 15: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
Race & Ethnicity	27: Holocaust Memorial Day	15: Chinese New Year	21: International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination		21: World Day for Cultural Diversity	22: Windrush Day
Sex		6: International Day for Zero Tolerance for FGM	Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month 8: International Women's Day 15: Mothering Sunday		3-9: Endometriosis Awareness Week	8-14: Men's Health Week 21: Father's Day
Sexual Orientation		LGBT History Month	31: International Transgender Day of Visibility		17: International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	Pride Month 22-26: School Diversity Week
Gender Reassignment		LGBT History Month	31: International Transgender Day of Visibility		17: International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	Pride Month 22-26: School Diversity Week
Pregnancy & Maternity					4-10: Maternal Mental Health Awareness Week	1: Global Day of Parents
Marriage & Civil Partnership						
Other	Dry January 1: New Year's Day 25: Burns Night (Scotland)	National Heart Month 14: Valentine's Day 20: World Day of Social Justice	1: Zero Discrimination Day St David's Day (Wales) 6: Employee Appreciation Day 9: Commonwealth Day 11: National No Smoking Day 16-20: Neurodiversity celebration week 17: St Patrick's Day (RoI / NI) 20: Red Nose Day	3: Good Friday Holiday 6: Easter Monday Holiday International Day of Sport for Development and Peace 7: World Health Day 23: St George's Day (England)	4: May Day bank holiday (UK) 9: Liberation Day (Jersey/Guernsey) 15: International Day of Families 18-22: Equality, Diversity and Human Rights Week 25: Spring bank holiday (UK)	Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month 8-14: Carers' Week

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July - December

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	July	August	September	October	November	December
Religion & Belief	1: Dharma Day (Bu) 10: Martyrdom of the Bab (Ba) 22: Tisha B'Av (Ju)	14: Ganesh Chaturthi (Hi) 15: Assumption of Mary (Ch) 25: Milad al-Nabi (Mawlid) (Is) 28: Raksha Bandhan (Hi)	4: Janmashtami (Hi) 11: Rosh Hashanah (Ju) 20: Yom Kippur (Ju) 25: First Day of Sukkot (Ju)	1: Hoshana Rabbah (Ju) 2: Last Day of Sukkot (Ju) 3: Shemini Atzeret (Ju) 4: Simchat Torah (Ju) 20: Dussehra (Hi)	1: All Saint's Day (Ch) 2: All Soul's Day (Ch) 8: Diwali (Hi) 10: Birth of the Bab (Ba) 11: Birth of Baha'u'llah (Ba) 24: Birthday of Guru Nanak (Si) Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Si) 29: First Sunday of Advent (Ch)	4: First Day of Hanukkah (Ju) 8: Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Ch) 12: Last Day of Hanukkah (Ju) 24: Christmas Eve (Ch) 25: Christmas Day (Ch) 26: St Stephen's Day (Ch)
Disability			6: Colour Blindness Day 21-27: Jeans for Genes 21-27: International week of the Deaf 23: International Day of Sign Languages	ADHD Awareness Month 5-11: Dyslexia Awareness Week 6: World Cerebral Palsy Day 8: World Sight Day 10: World Mental Health Day 12: World Arthritis Day 22: International Stuttering Awareness Day	14: World Diabetes Day 16-16 Dec: Disability History Month	3: International Day of Persons with Disabilities
Age	15: World Youth Skills Day	12: International Youth Day	21: World Alzheimer's Day	1: International Day of Older Persons	20: BBC Children In Need Day	
Race & Ethnicity	South Asian Heritage Month		East and South East Asian Heritage Month	Black History Month	Islamophobia Awareness Month	
Sex	14: International Non-Binary People's Day		Gynecological Cancer Awareness Month	Breast Cancer Awareness Month 18: World Menopause Day 26: Intersex Awareness Day	Movember (Men's Awareness month) 19: International Men's Day 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women	
Sexual Orientation					20: Transgender Day of Remembrance	
Gender Reassignment					20: Transgender Day of Remembrance	
Pregnancy & Maternity						
Marriage & Civil Partnership						
Other	6-12: Alcohol Awareness Week 13: Battle of the Boyne (Holiday NI)	3: Summer Bank Holiday (Scotland) 23: International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition 31: Late Summer Holiday (not Scotland)	10: World Suicide Prevention Day 14-20: National Inclusion Week 21: International Day of Peace 24: National Fitness Day 25: McMillan World's Biggest Coffee Morning	Stoptober (stop smoking campaign) National Cholesterol Month 12-16: National Work Life Week 17: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	4: National Stress Awareness Day 8: Remembrance Sunday 11: Armistice Day 9-15: Anti-bullying Week 30: St Andrew's Day (holiday Scotland)	10: Human Rights Day 25: Christmas Day 26: Boxing Day 31: New Year's Eve Hogmanay (Scotland)

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