



University
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2025 - 2026

EDI calendar



Cornwall Pride 2024, flag display at Tremough House

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SEPTEMBER

World Alzheimer's Month

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Key awareness dates

- 10 World Suicide Prevention Day
- 15 - 21 National Inclusion Week
- 22 Migraine Awareness Week (The Migraine Trust)
- 23 Bi Visibility Day
- 26 European Day of Languages

Religious and cultural events

- 3 Milad un Nabi (Islam)
- 14 Feast of the Holy Cross (Christianity)
- 17 Vishwakarma Puja (Hinduism)
- 21 Mahalaya Amavasya (Hinduism)
- 22 - 24 Rosh Hashanah (Judaism)
- 22 Navaratri starts (Hinduism)
- 25 Fast of Gedaliah (Judaism)
- 29 Feast of Michael and All Angels (Michaelmas)



OCTOBER

Black History Month

Disability Employment Awareness Month

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Key awareness dates

- 6–12 World Dyslexia Awareness Week
- 10 World Mental Health Day
- 11 National Coming Out Day
- 11–18 National Hate Crime Awareness Week
- 18 World Menopause Day
- 14 Ada Lovelace Day

Religious and cultural events

- 1 Yom Kippur (Judaism)
- 2 Dassahra & Navaratri ends (Hinduism)
- 6 Sharad Purnima (Hinduism)
- 6–13 Sukkot (Judaism)
- 9 Karva Chauth (Hinduism)
- 12 Hoshana Rabbah (Judaism)
- 13 - 15 Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah (Judaism)
- 18 Dhanteras (Hinduism)
- 20 Diwali (Hinduism)
- 25 Chhath Puja (Hinduism)
- 31 All Hallows' Eve (Christianity) & Samhain (Celtic)

NOVEMBER

Anti-Bullying Month

Islamophobia Awareness Month

Movember - Men's Health Awareness Month

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Key awareness dates

- 5 National Stress Awareness Day
- 9 Remembrance Sunday
- 11 Armistice Day
- 13-19 Transgender Awareness Week
- 14 Nov-20 Dec Disability History Month
- 19 International Men's Day
- 20 Transgender Day of Remembrance
- 25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

Religious and cultural events

- 1 All Saints' Day (Christianity)
- 2 All Souls' Day (Christianity)
- 5 Bonfire Night (UK)
- 5 Guru Nanak Gurburab (Sikhism)
- 5 Kartik Purnima (Hinduism, Sikhism, Jainism)
- 23 The Feast of Christ the King (Christianity)
- 24 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib (Sikhism)
- 27 Thanksgiving (US)
- 30 St Andrew's Day (Scotland)
- 30 Advent (Christianity)



DECEMBER

Universal Human Rights Month

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Key awareness dates

- 1 World AIDS Day
- 3 International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 10 Human Rights Day
- 18 International Migrants Day

Religious and cultural events

- 1 Geeta Jayanti (Hinduism)
- 6 St Nicholas Day (Christianity)
- 8 Bodhi Day (Buddhism)
- 14 - 22 Hannukkah (Judaism)
- 16 Dhani Sankranti (Hinduism)
- 24 Christmas Eve (UK)
- 25 Christmas Day (UK)
- 26 Boxing Day (UK)
- 28 Feast of the Holy Innocents (Christianity)
- 31 Watchnight Service (Christianity)

JANUARY

Celebration of Life Month

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Key awareness dates

- 1 New Year's Day
- 19 Martin Luther King Day
- 27 Holocaust Memorial Day

Religious and cultural events

- 3 Mahayana New Year (Buddhism)
- 5 Twelfth Night (Christianity)
- 6 Epiphany (Christianity)
- 7 Orthodox Christmas (Christianity)
- 11 Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
- 13 Lohri-Maghi (Hinduism / Sikhism)
- 14 Makar Sankranti (Hindusim)
- 15 Lailat al Miraj (Islam)
- 18 World Religion Day
- 20 Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday (Sikhism)
- 23 Vasant Panchami (Hinduism)
- 31 Guru Har Rai's Birthday (Sikhism)

FEBRUARY

LGBTQ+ History Month

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Key awareness dates

- 3–9 Sexual Abuse and Sexual Violence Awareness Week
- 4 World Cancer Day
- 5 Time to Talk Day
- 11 International Day of Women and Girls in Science
- 20 World Day of Social Justice
- 21 International Mother Language Day

Religious and cultural events

- 1 Thaipusam (Hinduism)
- 1 Tu Bishvat (Judaism)
- 2 Candlemas (Christianity)
- 2 Lailat al Bara'ah (Islam)
- 14 Valentine's Day (UK)
- 15 Maha Shivaratri (Hinduism)
- 15 Parinirvana Day (Buddhism)
- 17 Chinese (Lunar) New Year (Year of the Horse)
- 17 Ramadan starts* (Islam)

* expected date

MARCH

Women's History Month

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Key awareness dates

- 8 International Women's Day
- 16 Disabled Access Day
- 17–23 Neurodiversity Celebration Week
- 21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 31 Transgender Day of Visibility

Religious and cultural events

- 1 St David's Day (Wales)
- 2 Purim (Judaism)
- 3 Holika Dahan (Hinduism)
- 3 Magha Puja (Buddhism)
- 4 Holi (Hinduism, Sikhism, Jainism)
- 4–6 Hola Mohalla (Sikhism)
- 5 St Piran's Day (Cornwall)
- 15 Mother's Day (UK)
- 16 Laylat al-Qadr (Islam)
- 17 Shrove Tuesday (Christianity)
- 18 Ash Wednesday (Christianity)
- 17 St Patrick's Day (Ireland)
- 19 St Joseph's Day (Christianity)
- 19 Eid al-Fitr (Ramadan ends, Islam)*
- 19 Ugadi / Gudi Padwa / Telegu New Year
- 20 Nowruz
- 29 Palm Sunday (Christianity)



APRIL

Stress Awareness Month

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Key awareness dates

- 22 Stephen Lawrence Day
- 26 Lesbian Visibility Day

Religious and cultural events

- 1 Hanum Jayanti (Hinduism)
- 1 - 9 Passover (Judaism)
- 2 Theravada New Year (Buddhism)
- 2 Maundy (Holy) Thursday (Christianity)
- 3 Good Friday (Christianity)
- 5 Easter Sunday (Christianity)
- 6 Easter Monday (Christianity)
- 13 Yom Hashoah (Judaism)
- 14 Bengali New Year, Tamil New Year, Vaisakhi
- 15 Vishu (Hinduism)
- 18 Guru Angad Dev's Birthday (Sikhism)
- 19 Akshaya Tritiya (Hinduism, Jainism)
- 23 St George's Day (England)
- 26 Rama Navami (Hinduism)

MAY

Mental Health Awareness Month

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Key awareness dates

- 11 - 17 Mental Health Awareness Week
- 15 International Day of Families
- 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia (IDAHoBIT)

Religious and cultural events

- 1 Vesak (Buddhism)
- 2 Pesach Sheni (Judaism)
- 4 Lag BaOmer (Judaism)
- 14 Ascension Day (Christianity)
- 16 Savitri Puja (Hinduism)
- 21 Shavuot (Judaism)
- 24 Hajj begins (Islam)
- 24 Pentecost (Christianity)
- 26 Eid al-Adha (Islam)
- 31 Trinity Sunday (Christianity)

JUNE

Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month

LGBTQ+ Pride Month

Disability Pride Month

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Key awareness dates

- 20 World Refugee Day
- 22 Windrush Day
- 23 International Women in Engineering Day
- 28 Anniversary of Stonewall Uprising

Religious and cultural events

- 4 Corpus Christi
- 16 Hijra (Islamic New Year)
- 18 Martyrdom of Guru Arjun Dev Ji (Sikhism)
- 21 Father's Day (UK)
- 25 Day of Ashura (Islam)
- 29 The Feast of Saints Peter and Paul (Christianity)



JULY

South Asian Heritage Month

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Key awareness dates

- 12 Disability Awareness Day
- 14 International Non-Binary People’s Day
- 17 World Day for International Justice
- 30 International Day of Friendship

Religious and cultural events

- 2 The 17th of Tammuz (Judaism)
- 16 Puri Rath Yatra (Hinduism)
- 22 Tish’a B’Av (Judaism)
- 25 Feast of Saint James (Christianity)
- 29 Asala – Dharma Day (Buddhism)
- 29 Guru Purnima (Hinduism, Buddhism, Sikhism)

AUGUST

Black Business Month

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Key awareness dates

- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
- 10 UK Black Pride
- 23 International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition

Religious and cultural events

- 1 Lammas Day (Christianity)
- 13-16 Obon (Japan)
- 15 The Assumption of Mary (Christianity)
- 22 Tish'a B'Av (Judaism)
- 27 Nag Panchami (Hinduism, Jainism, Buddhism)
- 28 Varalakshmi Vrat (Hinduism)
- 28 Raksha Bandhan (Hinduism)