



Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Calendar

UK and International Recognition and
Awareness Dates from
September 2024 - August 2025

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Lancaster University, founded on strong community roots, is a global institution focused on excellence in research, education and engagement locally, nationally and internationally. Our institutional values sit at the heart of our work, helping us to build strong, cohesive and diverse communities. We support our staff and students to promote equality, diversity and inclusion, and to embed this agenda in everything that we do.

Our best assets are the great minds who teach and learn at our Lancaster and global campuses; the research that delivers innovative solutions to global issues; and the positive economic, cultural, societal and environmental impact that we have. Equality, diversity and inclusion are critical to our continued success in all these areas. From the transformation of our curricula and driving innovation to making positive impacts and providing opportunities to our local communities, we strive to foster a sense of belonging in everything that we deliver.

I look forward to working with the EDI Team and representatives across the University to deliver the fantastic events included in this calendar. Over the coming years, I am keen to help build and advance a strong culture of inclusion, engaging our colleagues and communities locally, nationally and internationally.



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How to use this calendar

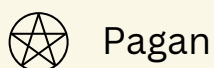
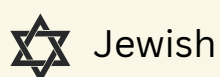
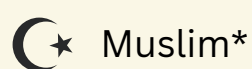
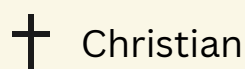
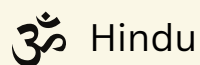
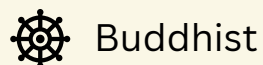
The Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Calendar of Events runs from September to August. For each month, you'll see a header page, with all awareness dates and religious dates in a list format, followed by a traditional, visual calendar grid.



Religious Dates

For major religious holidays or festivals, dates and some brief information is given to the header page's right.

On the visual calendar page, the following symbols are used to identify dates.



Holidays taking place throughout the daytime will show in the lower left corner of the visual calendar date.



Holidays taking place in the evenings/nights will show in the lower right corner of the visual calendar date.



What is already being planned?

Celebrations and events for some of the dates in this planner will be co-ordinated by the EDI Team or elsewhere around the University.

You can find all the University's events listing on the News and Events page, at: www.lancaster.ac.uk/events/

Alternatively, you can access the EDI Team's LibCal calendar at: lancaster-uk.libcal.com/calendar/edi_events

Download an .ics file of all this year's events to your Outlook calendar at: lancaster-uk.libcal.com/ical_subscribe.php?k=d6ae76854b&cid=7964&cat=36495

If you are a member of staff or a student at the University with an event you'd like us to support you in listing or promoting, you can contact the EDI Team at edi@lancaster.ac.uk.

UK Bank Holiday dates are marked only on the visual calendar. The University will typically be closed for business on these dates.



A line of pale red dots denotes additional University closure periods.

For religious dates spanning multiple days or weeks, only the first day will be identified.

* Most Muslim dates are dependent on the lunar calendar, so dates may change.

Getting Involved at Lancaster University - Staff

At Lancaster University we have a range of staff networks that are open to all staff. The equality staff networks featured below provide spaces for staff from under-represented or disadvantaged communities to join together and share support, resources and opportunities.

For more information on these groups go to: [Staff Networks | Lancaster University](#)

The Lancaster University [Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority Staff Network](#) exists to contribute to the development of an anti-racist culture at Lancaster University and to promote the enhancement of levels of inclusion experienced by staff from Black, Asian and Ethnic Minority backgrounds.

The [Lancaster University Parents' and Carers' Network](#) is a support group for staff who are parents or carers of children or adults. It offers a platform to share experiences and provide mutual support.

The [Disabled Employee Network \(DEN+\)](#) is a confidential staff network that supports employees with disabilities, neurodivergences, or long-term conditions, including mental health, by providing a discussion platform for working conditions and information sharing.

The [Lancaster University Women's Network](#) offers a forum for women to support each other, discuss, and develop individually. It serves as a platform for debate, raising awareness, and taking action for change.

The [LGBT+ Staff Network](#) at the University supports and empowers LGBT+ staff and postgraduate students, providing an inclusive and welcoming space for those who identify as part of the community. The network also offers confidential assistance in finding relevant services available within the University.

The [Lancaster University Young Staff Network](#) is available to permanent and temporary LU staff and PGR students who consider themselves in the younger staff category. It promotes continuous professional development and offers support for younger staff.

If you feel you have been a victim of harassment or bullying in the workplace, contact our [Anti-Harassment and Bullying Team](#) for support at AHBT@lancaster.ac.uk.

Getting Involved at Lancaster University - Students

LANCASTER UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' UNION

Lancaster University Students' Union has a range of liberation groups directly related to Equality, Diversity & Inclusion. The forums featured here are each led by elected LUSU Liberation & Campaign Officers (LCOs) who work to build communities and campaign to improve the student experience at Lancaster.

Clicking the logos below will redirect you to the Forum or Students' Union page where you can find further information.



**International
Students' Forum**



**Post-Graduate
& Mature
Students'
Forum**



**Students with
Disabilities
Forum**



**LGBTQ+
Forum**



**Racial & Ethnic
Minority Forum**



**Women+
Forum**

For more information about the support available through LUSU, see their website at lancastersu.co.uk.

September 2024

Key Awareness Dates

- East and South East Asian History Month
- World Alzheimer's & Dementia Awareness Month

- 16th to 23rd - Bisexual Awareness Week
- 30th Sept to 6th Oct - National Inclusion Week

- 10th - World Suicide Prevention Day
- 17th - Mid-Autumn Festival
- 23rd - BiVisibility Day
- 27th - World's Biggest Coffee Morning



Religious Festivals

Islam ☾★

Evening of 15th to 16th - Mawlid

The celebration of the birth of the Prophet Muhammad in the Islamic faith.

Hinduism ॐ

17th Sept - 2nd Oct - Pitru Paksha

A period when members of the Hindu faith pay homage to their ancestors, especially through food offerings.

Paganism ⚡

22nd - Mabon/Autumnal Equinox

A time for Pagans to reflect on the past season, Mabon is celebrated when day and night is of equal duration before descending into increasing darkness.

September 2024

East and South East Asian History Month; World Alzheimer's & Dementia Awareness Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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9	10 World Suicide Prevention Day	11	12	13	14	15 
16	17 Mid-Autumn Festival 	18	19	20	21	22 
Bisexual Awareness Week						
23 BiVisibility Day	27	25	26	27 World's Biggest Coffee Morning	28	29
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National Inclusion Week						

October 2024

Key Awareness Dates

- Black History Month
- Global Diversity Month

- 2nd to 8th - Dyslexia Awareness Week
- 9th to 15th - Baby Loss Awareness Week

- 1st - Anniversary of the introduction of the Equality Act 2010
- 10th - Ada Lovelace Day
- 10th - World Mental Health Day
- 11th - National Coming Out Day
- 18th - World Menopause Day
- 19th - International Pronouns Day
- 22nd - International Stuttering Awareness Day

Religious Festivals

Judaism ✡

Evening of 2nd to 4th - Rosh Hashanah

A celebration of the creation of the world and marks making a fresh start. It is a time for them to reflect on the past year and to ask for forgiveness for anything wrong they feel they have done.

Evening of 11th to 12th - Yom Kippur

The day of atonement; a day of fasting and prayer.

Evening of 16th to 23rd - Sukkot

Sukkot is one of three pilgrimage festivals, and always takes place five days after Yom Kippur. During the seven days of the holiday, people celebrate by having meals in the Sukkah, volunteering, inviting guests over and more.

Hinduism ॐ

23rd - Dussehra

The final day of a 10-day Hindu festival that honours Asuj Navratrasc celebrating the triumph of good over evil.

Paganism ⚡


Evening of 31st - Samhain

Festival of the Dead. The veil between worlds is believed to be thinnest at this point, and the dead may mix more freely with the living.



October 2024

Black History Month; Global Diversity Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1 Anniversary of the introduction of the Equality Act 2010	2 	3	4	5	6
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		National Inclusion Week				
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		Baby Loss Awareness Week				
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21	22 International Stuttering Awareness Day	23 	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 	31 			

November 2024

Key Awareness Dates

- Islamophobia Awareness Month
- Disability History Month begins (16th Nov to 16th Dec)
- 11th to 15th - Anti-Bullying Week
- 13th to 19th - Transgender Awareness Week
- 6th - National Stress Awareness Day
- 7th - Supporting Male Victims of Domestic Abuse Day
- 14th - World Diabetes Day
- 17th - International Students' Day
- 19th - International Men's Day
- 20th - Transgender Day of Remembrance
- 20th - World Children's Day
- 23rd - Carers' Rights Day
- 25th - International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
- 25th - White Ribbon Day

Religious Festivals

Christianity †

1st - All Saints Day

A day to honour all holy men and women who have been canonised in the Catholic Church.

30th - St Andrew's Feast Day

St. Andrew is the patron saint of Scotland, Greece, Russia, Ukraine, Barbados, and Romania. This day honours him, his good works, and his canonisation in the Catholic Church.

Hinduism ॐ

1st - Diwali

The festival of Diwali is celebrated by most communities in India, as Hindus celebrate it as the return of Lord Rama to Ayodhya after 14 years of exile.

Sikhism ॐ

1st- Divali

Sikhs celebrate this day to mark the return of their sixth Guru, Guru Gobind Sahib Ji, from Gwalior Fort.

15th- Gurburab

Celebrates the birth of Guru Nanak, the founder of Sikhism and the first of the Sikh gurus.



November 2024

Islamophobia Awareness Month; Disability History Month begins (16th Nov to 16th Dec)

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25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women White Ribbon Day	26	27	28	29	30 	

December 2024

Key Awareness Dates

- Disability History Month continues (16th Nov to 16th Dec)
- 2nd to 8th - National Grief Awareness Week
- 1st - World AIDS Day
- 2nd - International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
- 3rd - International Day for People with Disabilities
- 8th - Pansexual Pride Day
- 10th - International Human Rights Day



Religious Festivals

Buddhism ☸

8th - Bodhi Day

Celebrating the enlightenment of the Buddha.

Paganism ⚡

21st Dec to 1st Jan - Yule

A Pagan and Wiccan holiday that celebrates the winter solstice.

Christianity ✝

25th - Christmas Day

Christmas Day is traditionally a celebration of the birth of Jesus

26th - St Stephen's Feast Day

The day commemorating St. Stephen's life and service as he became the first Christian to die for the faith.

Judaism ✡

Evening of 25th Dec to 2nd Jan - Hannukah

Festival of light lasting eight evenings. For the eight evenings of the festival, candles are lit from right to left in a hanukkah, a nine-branched menorah – one candle for each evening. The ninth candle is the shamash (the servant candle) from which the other candles are lit.

December 2024

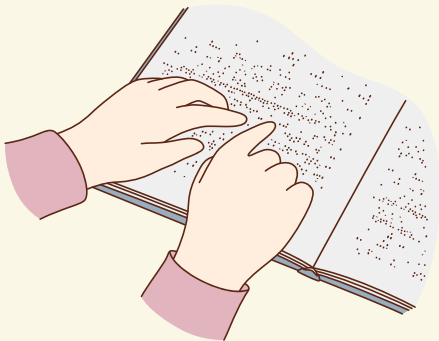
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23 	24 	25 UK Bank Holiday	26 UK Bank Holiday	27	28	29 
30 	31 	† 	†			

January 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- 4th - World Braille Day & Louis Braille's Birthday
- 24th - International Day of Education
- 27th - Holocaust Memorial Day
- 29th - Lunar New Year



Religious Festivals

Sikhism

6th - Guru Gobind Singh Jayanti

This celebration marks the birth anniversary of their tenth Sikh leader, Guru Gobind Singh. The day is observed in honour and remembrance of the great warrior, poet, philosopher and spiritual master.

13th - Maghi

A community gathering to commemorate the martyrdom of forty Sikhs (Chalis Mukte) who died while fighting the Mughal Empire army led by Wazir Khan in 1705.

Sikhs make a pilgrimage to the site of the war, and take a holy dip in the sacred water pond of Gurudwara Tuti Gandhi Sahib in Muktsar.

Islam

Evening of 26th to 27th - Lailat al Miraj

This Muslim holy day celebrates Muhammad's pilgrimage from Mecca to Jerusalem. When Muhammad arrived, he ascended into Heaven.

January 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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20	21	22	23	24 International Day of Education	25	26 
27 Holocaust Memorial Day	28	29 Lunar New Year	30	31		

February 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- LGBT+ History Month
- 3rd to 9th - UK Race Equality Week
- 10th to 16th - National Apprenticeship Week
- 1st - World Hijab Day
- 4th - World Cancer Day
- 6th - Time to Talk Day
- 6th - International Day Against FGM
- 11th - International Day of Women and Girls in Science
- 20th - World Day of Social Justice
- 25th - International Stand Up to Bullying Day



Religious Festivals

Paganism ⚡

1st - Imbolc

This Pagan and Wiccan festival serves as the halfway point between the winter solstice and spring equinox, celebrating fire, light, and the return of life.

Judaism ⚡

Evening of 12th to 13th - Tu Bishvat

In Judaism, this holiday is an ancient and authentic environmental holiday, reminding Jews of the importance of caring for the natural world.

Buddhism ☸

15th - Parinirvana Day

In Mahāyāna Buddhism, this date is also known as Nirvana Day. It commemorates Buddha's death and attainment of final nirvana.

Hinduism ॐ

26th to 27th - Maha Shivaratri

The Great Night of Shiva, when Shiva performs the heavenly dance of creation, preservation and destruction.

Islam 🌙

Evening of 28th Feb to 30th Mar - Ramadan

The beginning of a month long fast. For Muslims, Ramadan is a period of introspection, communal prayer (ṣalāt) in the mosque, and reading of the Qur'ān.

February 2025

LGBT+ History Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
					1 World Hijab Day 	2
3	4 World Cancer Day	5	6 Time to Talk Day International Day Against FGM	7	8	9
UK Race Equality Week						
10	11 International Day of Women and Girls in Science	12 	13	14	15 	16
National Apprenticeship Week						
17	18	19	20 World Day of Social Justice	21	22	23
24	25 International Stand Up to Bullying Day	26 	27	28 		

March 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- Women's History Month
- 9th to 15th - MS Awareness Week
- 8th - International Women's Day
- 13th - University Mental Health Day
- 15th - International Day to Combat Islamophobia
- 20th - International Day of Happiness
- 21st - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 25th - International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
- 30th - World Bipolar Day
- 31st - International Transgender Day of Visibility

Religious Festivals

Christianity †

5th - Ash Wednesday

The beginning of the 40 days of Lent, a time of repentance, prayer and fasting before Easter.

Judaism ⚡

Evening of 13th to 14th - Purim

Also known as the "Feast of Lots," this festival celebrates the survival of Jews who were marked for death by Persian rulers.

Hinduism ॐ

14th - Holi

Festival of colour. Welcoming spring, new beginnings. Celebrated with festive clothing, coloured body paints and powders.

Sikhism ॐ

14th to 16th - Hola Mohalla

The fair was started by the great Guru Gobind Singh of Punjab for the Sikhs to practice military exercises. Mock battles are also held during the three-day course period.

Paganism ⚡

20th - Ostara

This Pagan and Wiccan holiday is one of their eight Sabbats. It celebrates the spring equinox. The word Ostara comes from the Anglo-Saxon goddess name, Eostre. Eostre represented spring and new beginnings.

Islam ☾★

Evening of 30th to 31st - Eid al Fitr

The end of Ramadan; feasting after a month of fasting.



March 2025

Women's History Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3	4	5 ✝	6	7	1	2
					8 International Women's Day	9
10	11	12	13 University Mental Health Day	14	15 International Day to Combat Islamophobia	16
MS Awareness Week						
17	18	19	20 International Day of Happiness 	21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22	23
24	25 International Day to Remember the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade	26	27	28	29	30 World Bipolar Day 
31 International Transgender Day of Visibility						

April 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- Autism Acceptance Month
- 28th Apr to 4th May - Lesbian Visibility Week
- 2nd - Autism Acceptance Day
- 6th - International Asexuality Day
- 8th - International Romani Day
- 26th - Lesbian Visibility Day

Religious Festivals

Judaism ✡

Evenings of the 12th to 20th - Passover

An eight day festival when Jewish people commemorate the Exodus from their slavery in Egypt.

Sikhism ☞

14th - Vaisakhi

Punjabi new year, harvest festival, and celebrates the day that Sikhism as a faith began.

Christianity †

20th - Easter Sunday

Celebrating the resurrection of Jesus from the dead

20th - Pascha (Orthodox Easter)

The date for Orthodox Easter comes from following the Julian calendar, which differs from the Gregorian calendar used by most Western countries and Christian denominations.



April 2025

Autism Acceptance Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2 Autism Acceptance Day	3	4	5	6 International Asexuality Day
7	8 International Romani Day	9	10	11	12	13
						
14 	15	16	17	18 UK Bank Holiday	19	20
						
21 UK Bank Holiday	22	23	24	25	26 Lesbian Visibility Day	27
						
28	29	30				
	Lesbian Visibility Week					

May 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- 5th to 11th - Deaf Awareness Week
- 6th to 12th - Trans+ History Week
- 12th to 19th - Mental Health Awareness Week

- 14th - National Day of Staff Networks
- 15th - International Day of Families
- 15th - Global Accessibility Awareness Day
- 17th - International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia and Transphobia
- 21st - World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development



Religious Festivals

Paganism

1st - Beltane

Fire Festival honouring the Celtic deity Bel. When spring is at its height and summer is about to begin, earth energy is at its strongest; celebrating vitality and joy.

Buddhism

12th - Vesak

The birthday festival of the Buddha; some cultures celebrate the birth, enlightenment, and death of the Buddha all in this festival.

Christianity

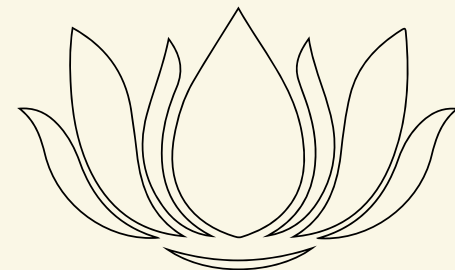
29th - Ascension Day

Celebrating that Jesus ascended into heaven.

Sikhism

30th - Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib

A day observed by Sikhs to celebrate the first martyr in their faith.



May 2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	
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			Lesbian Visibility Week				
5 UK Bank Holiday	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	Trans+ History Week						
	Deaf Awareness Week						
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	Mental Health Awareness Week						
19	20	21 World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development	22	23	24	25	
26 UK Bank Holiday	27	28	29 ✝	30 	31		

June 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month
- LGBT Pride Month

- 9th to 15th - Men's Health Week
- 10th to 16th - National Carers' Week*
- 15th to 21st - Refugee Week
- 16th to 22nd - Learning Disability Week

- 1st - Global Day of Parents
- 18th - Autistic Pride Day
- 20th - World Refugee Day
- 22nd - UK Windrush Day



Religious Festivals

Judaism ✡

Evening of 1st to 3rd - Shavuot

Celebrates the harvest and the giving of the law (the Torah).

Islam ☾

Evening of the 6th to the 10th - Eid ul Adha

The feast of sacrifice, commemorating when Allah commanded Ibrahim to sacrifice his son Ismail, but Allah provided a ram instead.

Evening of 26th - Islamic New Year

This holiday begins the Islamic lunar calendar. It begins when the crescent moon is spotted.

Christianity †

8th - Pentecost

Celebrating the descent of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church.

15th - Trinity Sunday

A Sunday that centers on the doctrine in the Christian church that God is three in one — the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Paganism ⚡






20th - Litha

A Pagan and Wiccan festival that starts on the summer solstice and celebrates midsummer.

* The date for this event is not yet confirmed, at date of publishing. Please follow the linked text closer to the time for date confirmation.

June 2025

Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month; LGBT Pride Month

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
						1 Global Day of Parents 
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15 
National Carers' Week						
Men's Health Week						
16	17	18 Autistic Pride Day	19	20 World Refugee Day 	21	22 UK Windrush Day
Refugee Week						
Learning Disability Week						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30						

July 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- Disability Pride Month
- South Asian Heritage Month begins (18th Jul to 17th Aug)

- 13th to 20th - Non-Binary Awareness Week

- 14th - International Non-Binary Peoples' Day
- 30th - International Day of Friendship



Religious Festivals

Islam ☾★

Evening of 4th to 9th - Hajj

The hajj is a pillar of Islam, required of all Muslims once in a lifetime. It is a physically demanding journey that Muslims believe offers a chance to wipe clean past sins and start anew before God.

Evening of 16th, to 17th - Ashura

The 10th day of Muharram (the first month of the Islamic calendar).

For Sunni Muslims, this day marks the day God delivered the Israelites, led by the Prophet Musa (Moses), from the tyranny of Egypt's Pharaoh by parting the Red Sea, thus allowing them to cross safely.

In contrast, for Shia Muslims, this is a day mourning the death of Husayn ibn Ali, grandson of the Islamic prophet Muhammad, and the massacre of his family and followers in the Battle of Karbala in 680 CE.

July 2025

Disability Pride Month; South Asian Heritage Month begins (18th Jul to 17th Aug)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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Non-Binary Awareness Week						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30 International Day of Friendship	31			

August 2025

Key Awareness Dates

- South Asian Heritage Month continues (18th Jul to 17th Aug)
- 1st to 7th - World Breastfeeding Awareness Week
- 19th - World Humanitarian Day
- 21st - International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism
- 22nd - International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence based on Religion or Belief



Religious Festivals

Paganism ⚡

1st - Lammas/Lughnasah

Harvest festival, giving thanks for food and bounty of the earth.

Judaism ⚡

Evening of 2nd to 3rd - Tisha B'Av

A holiday in the Jewish faith that commemorates the destruction of the Jewish temple that occurred once in 586 BCE and once in 70 CE in Jerusalem.

Islam 🌙

Evening of 14th to 15th - Arbaeen

The day marking the end of the 40-day mourning period after the Day of Ashura for Muslims.

Christianity ✝️

15th - Feast of the Assumption

This is a holy day in the Catholic faith when Mary, the mother of Jesus, was assumed (body and soul) into Heaven.

Hinduism ॐ

26th - Krishna Janmashtami

Divine birth, celebrating the birth of the god Lord Krishna.

Buddhism 🌀

6th September - Ullambana Day

This festival falls outside of the calendar year used for this resource, but should be recognised as an important upcoming date for Buddhists. Also known as the "Ghost Festival," a day during which people of the Buddhist faith celebrate their dead loved ones, as it is believed that their spirits return to the land of the living for a day.

August 2025

South Asian Heritage Month continues (18th Jul to 17th Aug)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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World Breastfeeding Awareness Week						
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11	12	13	14	15 	16	17
18	19 World Humanitarian Day	20	21 International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism	22 International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence based on Religion or Belief	23	24
25 UK Bank Holiday	26 	27	28	29	30	31

Thank you for using this calendar

The EDI Team at Lancaster University have produced this calendar with user accessibility considered where possible.

If you would benefit from receiving this calendar in a different format, or have comments, suggestions, or would like to talk more about some of the events included in this calendar, please contact our team at edi@lancaster.ac.uk.



To discover more about the various EDI initiatives at Lancaster University, please visit our webpages at www.lancaster.ac.uk/edi.

Equality, Diversity
and Inclusion

