



2018- 2019

Ethical Education Teacher Calendar

All days, years and resource banks linked to relevant sites

Please note that the BBC 'Schools Religion' website has not been updated for a number of years but the information is still relevant

Primary Resource Bank

Second-level Resource Bank

2014 - 2024:

United Nations Decade of Sustainable Energy for all

International Literacy Day
Sept 8

Rosh Hashanah
Judaism Sept 9 - 11

Al-Hijra
Islam Sept 11

International Day of Democracy
Sept 15

**International Day for the
Preservation of the Ozone Layer**
Sept 16

Yom Kippur
Judaism Sept 19

International Day of Peace
Sept 21

Autumn Equinox
Northern Hemisphere Sept 22

European Week of Sport
Sept 22 - 30

Sukkot
Judaism Sept 23 - 30

International Day of Older Persons

World Habitat Day
Oct 1

Tree Day
Oct 4

World Space Week
Oct 4 - 10

World Teachers' Day
Oct 5

World Mental Health Day
Oct 10

Navaratri
Hinduism Oct 10 - 18

World Migratory Bird Day
There are now two official WMB Days - in Oct and May
Oct 13

Maths Week
Oct 13 - 21

World Food Day
Oct 16

**International Day for the
Eradication of Poverty**
Oct 17

One Day Together
Educate Together's National Fund-raising Day

Oct 19

United Nations Day

Oct 24

Halloween / Samhain
World Cities Day

Oct 31

World Tsunami Awareness Day

Nov 5

Diwali

Hinduism / Sikhism Nov 7

World Science Day for Peace and Development

Nov 10

Science Week

Nov 11 - 18

Stand-Up LGBT Awareness Week

Nov 12 - 16

World Diabetes Day

Nov 14

World Philosophy Day

Nov 16

World Toilet Day

Fighting the taboo - 2.5 billion people do not have access to proper sanitation with dramatic consequences on human health, dignity and security

Nov 19

Birth of Guru Nanak

Sikhism

Nov 23

Ethical Education Conference

*Changing Our Ways
Changing Our World -
Educating for a Sustainable
Environment*

Nov 23 - 24

Antarctica Day

World Aids Day

Dec 1

International Day for the Abolition of Slavery

Dec 2

Hanukkah

Judaism

Dec 2 - 10

Advent

Christianity

Dec 2 - 24

International Day of Persons with Disabilities

Dec 3

World Soil Day

Dec 5

Bodhi Day

Buddhism

Dec 8

World Human Rights Day

Dec 10

International Mountain Day

Dec 11

International Migrants Day
Dec 18

Winter Solstice
Dec 21

Christmas
Christianity
Dec 25

**Young Scientist & Technology
Exhibition**
Jan 9 - 12

Birth of Guru Gobind Singh
Sikhism
Jan 13

Martin Luther King Day
Jan 21

Holocaust Memorial Day
Jan 27

St Brigid's Day
Christianity

Imbolc
Irish Festival

*Traditionally seen as the first day of
Spring with links to ancient rites and
ceremonies*

Feb 1

Chinese New Year
Year of the Pig

Safer Internet Day Feb 5

**International Day of Zero Tolerance
to Female Genital Mutilation**

Feb 6

International Epilepsy Day
Feb 11

Darwin Day
Feb 12

Nirvana Day
Buddhism
Feb 15

World Day of Social Justice
Feb 20

International Mother Language Day
Feb 21

Fairtrade Fortnight
Feb 25 - March 10

Seachtain na Gaeilge
March 1 - 17

Engineers' Week
March 2 - 8

World Wildlife Day
March 3

Tree Week
March 3 - 10

Lent
Christianity
March 6 - April 18

World Book Day
March 7

International Women's Day
March 8

St Patrick's Day
Christianity / National Holiday
March 17

International Day of Happiness
Spring Equinox
Northern Hemisphere
March 20

• **International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination**
• **World Down Syndrome Day**
• **International Day of Forests**
• **World Poetry Day**
• **Holi - Hinduism**
March 21

World Water Day
March 22

World Meteorological Day
March 23

International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade
March 25

World Autism Awareness Day
April 2

World Health Day
April 7

Vaisakhi / Baisakhi
Sikhism
April 14

Passover / Pesach
Judaism
April 19 - 27

Easter Sunday
Christianity
April 21

Earth Day
April 22

Tech Week
World Immunisation Week
April 22 - 26

World Malaria Day
April 25

International Jazz Day
Highlighting the roots and influence of jazz
April 30

Bealtaine
Celebration of creativity as we age
May - whole month

World Tuna Day
Highlighting the need for sustainable fisheries
May 2

World Press Freedom Day
International Space Day
May 3

Ramadan
Islam
May 6 - June 4

Europe Day
May 9

World Migratory Bird Day
There are now two official WMB Days - in Oct and May
Some of the world's most amazing athletes are migratory birds
May 11

International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia
May 17

Wesak / Vesak
Buddhism
May 19

World Bee Day
May 20

International Day for Biological Diversity
May 22

Family Day
Celebrating the diversity of family units
TBC

World Bicycle Day
June 3

Eid al-Fitr
Islam
World Environment Day
June 5

World Oceans Day
June 8

World Day Against Child Labour
June 12

World Refugee Day
June 20

Summer Solstice
World Humanist Day
Humanism
June 21

Contact the Irish Traveller Movement to find out about the dates for Traveller Pride Week

