DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION CALENDAR 2023

STUDENT FOCUSED INCLUSIVE COURAGEOUS COMMUNITY









INTRODUCTION

This calendar has been developed as a resource for LJMU Staff and Students. It underscores our commitment to celebrating and respecting the diverse cultures, faith and communities within our university. Moreover, the calendar displays key diversity dates and events celebrated nationally and world-wide.

THIS CALENDAR CAN BE USED:

- + To promote an inclusive study and work environment
- To ensure key University dates do not clash with major diversity celebrations and festivals
- + To consult this calendar when scheduling appointments
- + To assist the planning of our local diversity and inclusion events and activities

Moni Akinsanya, LJMU Head of Diversity and Inclusion said:

"This Diversity Calendar is useful as it features diverse equality dates, holidays and keep cultural events in focus. It also helps to highlight the importance of Diversity and Inclusion in the University."

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION WORKSHOPS:

Attend the Diversity and Inclusivity Workshops scheduled for 2023 Academic year. To register your attendance at any of these workshops please visit the following links:

- ► Let's Talk about Disability
- ► From Strengths to Transformations: Career Development Programme
- ► Religion and Belief: Inclusive Approaches for Staff and Students
- ► 'Courageous Conversations'
- 'Mentoring +1'
- ► Session One: How to support students and colleagues with ADHD and/or Autism
- ► Session Two: How to support students and colleagues with Dyslexia, Dysgraphia & Dyspraxia

CAREER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES FOR STAFF FROM UNDER-REPRESENTED GROUPS STAFF NETWORKS:

- + Ethnically Diverse Staff Network
- + Staff Disability Network
- + Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender (LGBT) Staff Network
- + Women Academics Network
- + Women in Professional Services Network

If you would like to receive further information on the Diversity and Inclusion workshops, events, staff development opportunities or on how to join any of the staff networks, please email equality@ljmu.ac.uk.



"We all should know that diversity makes for a rich tapestry, and we must understand that all the threads of the tapestry are equal in value no matter what their colour"



JANUARY

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wk 52 5 6 wk 1 13 14 wk 2 **16** 18 19 wk3 28 24 **29** wk 4



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1st New Year's Day

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

- Catholic Christian

Feast Day of St Basil – Orthodox Christian Shogatsu/Gantan-sai (New Years) – Shinto Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus – Orthodox Global Family Day

2nd Bank Holiday – England, Wales, Scotland, Northern Ireland and ROI

4th World Braille Day

5th Twelfth Night – ChristianGuru Gobindh Singh birthday – Sikh

6th Epiphany – Christian
Feast of the Theophany – Orthodox Christian
Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings Day) – Christian

7th Feast of the Nativity – Orthodox Christian Mahayana New Year – Buddhist

9th Coming of Age Day (成人の日, Seijin no Hi)

13th Maghi - Lohri - Hindus, Sikhs

14th Orthodox New Year – Orthodox Christian
Makar Sankranti – Hindu

15th Pongal - Hindu World Religion Day

16th Martin Luther King Jnr. Day,

18th (18th – 25th) Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Christian

19th Timket (Ge'ez: ጥምቀት T'imk'et)

- Ethiopian Orthodox

22nd Lunar New Year - Year of the Rabbit

24th International Day of Education

25th Burns Night

Conversion of Saint Paul - Christian Vasant Panchami - Hindu, Sikhs

27th Holocaust Memorial Day

28th Data Privacy Day

29th Zacchaeus Sunday (Slavic Tradition)

- Orthodox Christian



FEBRUARY

2023

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HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

LGBT HISTORY MONTH

- 1st World Hijab Day

 (1st 2nd) Imbolc (Candlemas) / St Brigid's
 Day Celtic Neopagans and Wiccans
 (1st 7th) World Interfaith Harmony Week

 2nd Saint Brighid of Kildare Christian
 3rd Setsubun-sai Shinto
- Feast Day of St. Blaise Christian
 Birthday of Guru Har Rai Sikh
 World Cancer Day
- 5th (5th 6th) Tu BiShvat Judaism
 Thaipusam Hindu
 6th (6th 12th) UK Race Equality Week
- 7th Safer Internet Day
 11th International Day of Women and Girls
 in Science
- World Day of the Sick

 12th Red Hand Day International Day Against
 the Use of Child Soldiers
 Sunday of the Prodigal Son
 - Orthodox ChristianAutism Sunday
- 14th Saint Valentine's Day
 15th International Childhood Cance
- 15th International Childhood Cancer Day
 Parinirvana Day/Nirvana Day Buddhist
- 17th World Human Spirit Day18th Maha Shivaratri Hindu
- (17th 18th) Lailat al Miraj Muslim
- 19th Orthodox Meatfare Sunday

 Orthodox Christian
- 20th World Day of Social Justice (20th - 24th) Half term
- 21st Shrove Tuesday Christian
- 22nd Ash Wednesday Catholic Christian (22nd Feb – 6th April) Lent – Christians
- 24th International Stand Up to Bullying Day
- 25th (25th Feb 1st Mar) Ayyám-i-Há (start of Intercalary Days) – Baha'i



MARCH 2023

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wk 12	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
wk 13	27	28	29	30	31		

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HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

- 1st Zero Discrimination Day Saint David's Day Self-Injury Awareness Day (SIAD) International Wheelchair Day (25th Feb - 1st Mar) Ayyám-i-Há (end of Intercalary Days) - Baha'i
- 3rd World Hearing Day
- Feast of Orthodoxy Orthodox Christian
- 6th Holika Daham Hindu Māgha Pūjā (Sangha Day) - Buddhist
- 7th Laylat al Bara'at Muslim Purim – Judaism
- 8th International Women's Day **Holi** – Hindu (8th - 10th) Hola Mohalla - Sikh
- 13th (13th 19th) Neurodiversity Celebration Week
- 17th Saint Patrick's Day Christian
- 18th Global Recycling Day
- 19th Saint Joseph's Day Christian **Mothering Sunday**
- 20th Spring Equinox
 - Ostara Mabon Wicca/Pagan Northern and

Southern hemispheres

International Day of Happiness 21st World Down Syndrome Day International Day for the Elimination

of Racial Discrimination Naw-Rúz (New Year) - Baha'i

- 22nd (22nd Mar 21st Apr) Ramadan Muslim
- 25th Annunciation to the Theotokos
 - Orthodox Christian

The Annunciation of the Virgin Mary

- Christian
- 26th Khordad Sal (Birth of Prophet Zarathushtra)

- Zoroastrian

Daylight Saving Time Begins

27th (27th Mar - 2nd Apr) World Autism Acceptance Week

30th Rama Navami - Hindu

World Bipolar Day

31st International Transgender Day of Visibility Local Spring term ends



APRIL 2023

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HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

STRESS AWARENESS MONTH

- 1st April Fool's Day
- 2nd World Autism Awareness Day Palm Sunday – Christian
- 4th Mahavir Janma Kalyanak Jainism
- 5th (5th 13th) Passover Judaism
- 6th Maundy Thursday Christian
 Hanuman Jayanti Hindu
 Theravada New Year Buddhist
- 7th World Health Day Bank Holiday
 - Good Friday Christian
- 8th International Romani Day
 Lazarus Saturday Orthodox Christian
- 9th Easter Sunday Christian
- 11th National Equal Pay Day
- 13th (13th 15th) Songkran (Thai New Year)
 Buddhist
 - Birth of the Khalsa (Vaisakhi) Sikh]
- 14th Dhunmuki (Tamil New Year)
 - Yom HaZikaron (Israeli Memorial Day)
 - Judaism
 - Nanakshahi (Sikh New Year)
- 17th (17th 18th) Yom HaShoah (Holocaust Remembrance Day)
- 18th Laylat al-Qadr Muslim

 Birthday of Guru Angad Dev Sikh
- 20th (20th 21st) First Day of Ridvan Baha'i
- 21st Eid al-Fitr (Ramadan ends) Muslim
- 22nd Earth Day
 - Stephen Lawrence Day
- 23rd Saint George's Day Christian Akshaya Tritiya (Hindu, Jain)
- 24th (24th 30th) Lesbian Visibility Week
- 25th World Malaria Day
 - Saint Mark, Apostle and Evangelist
 - Christian
- 28th World Day for Health & Safety at Work
- 29th Ninth Day of Ridvan Baha'i
- 30th Saint James the Great's Day
 - Orthodox Christian



MAY 2023





HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

- 1st (1st 7th) Deaf Awareness Week
 Beltane Wicca/Neo Pagan
 Bank holiday
- 2nd Birthday of Guru Arjan Dev Sikh Twelfth Day of Ridvan – Baha'i
- 3rd Bank Holiday England, Wales, Scotland,
 Northern Ireland and ROI
 World Press Freedom Day
- 4th International Firefighters Day
- 5th Wesak/Vesak, Buddha Day Buddhist
- 7th International Family Equality Day (IFED)

 celebrates the diversity of LGBTQ+ Families

 falls on the first Sunday in May every year
- 8th World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day (8th – 9th) Lag BaOmer – Judaism
- 12th International Nurses Day
- 15th (15th 21st) Mental Health Awareness Week International Day of Families
- 17th International Day Against Homophobia, Biphobia, Lesbophobia and Transphobia
- 18th Ascension of Jesus Christian
 Global Accessibility Awareness Day
 Yom Yerushalayim (Jerusalem Day)
 Judaism
 - Ascension Day Christian
- 21st Cultural Diversity Day
- 22nd International Day for Biological Diversity
 Akshaya Tritiya Hindu, Jain
- 23rd Birthday of Guru Amar Das Sikh
- 24th Declaration of the Báb Baha'i
- 25th (25th 27th) Shavuot Judaism George Floyd Anniversary
- 28th Pentecost Christian
- 29th International Day of United Nations
 - Peacekeepers
 - Local half term
 - Ascension of Baha'u'llah Baha'i
 - Bank holiday
- 30th World Multiple Sclerosis Day
- 31st Anti-Tobacco Day



JUNE 2023

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
wk 22				1	2	3	4
wk 23	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
wk 24	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
wk 25	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
wk 26	26	27	28	29	30		



HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

LGBT PRIDE MONTH

1st Global Day of Parents
4th International Day of Innocent Children
Victims of Aggression

Trinity Sunday - Christian

5th World Environment Day

8th Corpus Christi Catholic Christian

9th St Columba of Iona - Celtic Christian

12th World Day against Child Labour

14th World Blood Donor Day

15th World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

16th Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev – Sikh
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

- Catholic Christian

17th World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

18th Father's Day
Neurodiversity Pride Day

19th New Church Day - Swedenborgian Christian

20th World Refugee Day

21st World Humanist Day 22nd UK Windrush Day

First Nations Day - Canadian Native People

Litha Summer Solstice – Wicca/Neo Pagan

24th Saint John the Baptist – Christian

26th International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

27th The Day of Arafah – Islam

28th (28th Jun - 2nd Jul)Eid al-Adha - Muslim

29th Feast of Saints Peter and Paul - Christian



JULY 2023

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
wk 26						1	2
wk 27	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
wk 28	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
wk 29	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
wk 30	24	25	26	27	28	29	30



HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

DISABILITY PRIDE MONTH

SOUTH ASIAN HERITAGE MONTH (18TH JUL – 17TH AUG)

3rd Saint Thomas the Apostle – Christian Asalha Puja (Dharma Day) – Buddhist

4th US Independence Day

5th Birthday of Guru Hargobind - Sikh

10th Martyrdom of the Báb - Baha'i

11th Saint Benedict Day – Catholic, ChristianWorld Population DayBirthday of Guru Har Krishan – Sikh

12th Orangemen's Day (The Twelfth or

Glorious Twelfth)

14th International Non-Binary People's Day

15th Saint Vladimir the Great Day

Orthodox Christian

World Youth Skills Day

17th World Day for International Justice

18th Nelson Mandela International Day

19th Al-Hijra (Islamic New Year) - Muslim

22nd Feast Day of Saint Mary Magdalene

- Christian

23rd Birthday of Emperor Haile Selassie

- Rastafari

24th Pioneer Day - Mormon Christian

25th Saint James the Great Day - Christian

26th (26th - 27th) Tish'a B'av - Judaism

27th (27th – 28th) Ashura – Muslim

28th World Hepatitis Day

30th World Day against Trafficking Persons International Day of Friendship



AUGUST 2023

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wk 32	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
wk 33	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
wk 34	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
wk 35	28	29	30	31			

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1st Lammas - Christian

CHIN

Fast in honour of Holy Mother of Lord Jesus

- Orthodox Christian

Lughnasadh - Wicca/Neo Pagan

6th Transfiguration of the Lord

- Orthodox Christian

9th International Day of the World's

Indigenous Peoples

12th International Youth Day

15th Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary

- Catholic Christian

Dormition of the Theotokos

- Orthodox Christian

19th World Humanitarian Day

29th Beheading of Saint John the Baptist

- Christian

30th Raksha Bandhan - Hindu





SEPTEMBER

2023





HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

EAST AND SOUTH-EAST ASIAN MONTH

SUKKOT (29TH SEP - 6TH OCT) - JUDAISM

- 1st Religious Year Begins Orthodox Christian
- 5th International Day of Charity
- 6th Colour Blind Awareness Day (6th – 7th) Krishna Janmashtami
 - Hindu Festival
- 8th Nativity of Virgin Mary Christian International Literacy Day
- 10th World Suicide Prevention Day
- 14th Elevation of the Life Giving Cross
 - (Holy Cross) Christian
- 15th International Day of Democracy (15th – 17th) Rosh Hashanah – Judaism (15th – 24th) Navaratri – Hindu
- 18th Fast of Gedaliah Judaism
- 21st International Day of Peace World Alzheimer's Day
- 23rd Fall Equinox Wicca/Neo Pagan
 Bi Visibility Day
 International Day of Sign Languages
- 24th World Day of the Deaf (24th - 25th) Yom Kippur - Judaism
- 25th (25th Sep 1st Oct) UK National Inclusion Week
- 27th Meskel Ethiopian Orthodox Christian Mawlid al-Nabi Muslim
- 28th Anant Chaturdashi Hindu, Jain International Day for Universal Access to Information
- 29th Michael and All Angels Christian World Heart Day



OCTOBER

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wk 39 5 6 wk 40 13 12 **10** wk 41 19 16 18 wk 42 28 **26** 29 wk 44



HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

GLOBAL DIVERSITY AWARENESS MONTH

ADHD AWARENESS MONTH

- 1st International Day of Older Persons
 2nd International Day of Non-Violence
 Memorial of the Holy Guardian Angels
 (2nd 8th) Dyslexia Awareness Week
- 4th Blessing of the Animals Christian Saint Francis' Day Christian
- 5th Dasara Hindu
- 6th World Cerebral Palsy Day
 Saint Thomas Day Christian
 (6th 8th) Shemini Atzeret Judaism
- 7th (7th 8th) Simchat Torah Judaism
- 8th (8th 16th) National Hate Crime Awareness Week
- 9th Birthday of Guru Ram Das Sikh
- 10th World Homeless Day World Mental Health Day
- 11th International Day of the Girl Child National Coming Out Day
- 12th World Sight Day
- 15th International Day of Rural Women,
- 16th World Food Day
- 17th International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
- 18th Feast of Saint Luke Christian World Menopause Day
- 19th International Pronouns Day
- 24th United Nations Day
- 26th Intersex Awareness Day Birth of the Báb – Baha'i
- 27th Birth of Baha'u'llah Baha'i
- 28th Milvian Bridge Day Christian
- 29th World Stroke Day
- British Summer Time end 31st All Hallows Eve – Christian
- Reformation Day Protestant Christian
 - Samhain Wicca/Neo Pagan
 - Deep Diwali Jain



NOVEMBER

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wk 44			1	2	3	4	5
wk 45	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
wk 46	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
wk 47	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
wk 48	27	28	29	30			



HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

MOVEMBER/MEN'S HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

ISLAMOPHOBIA AWARENESS MONTH

- 1st All Saints' Day Christian2nd All Souls' Day Christian
 - Haile Selassie's Coronation Day Rastafari
- 8th Intersex Day of Solidarity
- 11th Armistice Day
- 12th Diwali Deepavali Hindu, Sikh, Jain Remembrance Sunday (12th-18th) Inter Faith Week
- 13th World Kindness Day
- 14th World Diabetes day
- 15th Nativity Fast begins Orthodox Christian
- 16th International Day for Tolerance (16th Nov – 16th Dec) UK Disability History Month
- 17th International Students' Day
- 19th International Men's Day
- 20th Transgender Day of Remembrance World Children's Day
- 21st Presentation of the Theotokos Orthodox Christian
- 23rd US Thanksgiving
- 24th Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sikh
- 25th International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
- 26th Day of the Covenant Baha'i

 Feast of Christ the King Christian
- 27th Guru Nanak Gurpurab Sikh
- 28th (27th 28th) Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha
 - Baha'i
- 30th Saint Andrew's Day Christian Bank Holiday Scotland



DECEMBER

2023





HAPPENING THIS MONTH...

- 1st World AIDS Day
- 2nd International Day for the Abolition of Slavery
- 3rd Advent Sunday Christian International Day of Persons
 - with Disabilities
- 5th International Volunteer Day
- 6th Saint Nicholas Day Christian
- 7th (7th 15th) Hanukkah
- 8th Rohatsu (Bodhi Day) Buddhist Immaculate Conception of Mary
 - Catholic Christian
- 10th Human Rights Day
- 12th International Universal Health Coverage Day Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe
 - Catholic Christian
- 16th (16th -25th) Posadas Navidenas
 - Hispanic Christian
- 18th International Migrants Day
- 20th International Human Solidarity Day
- 21st Yule Christian
 - Saint Thomas the Apostle Christian
- 22nd Yule/Winter Solstice Wicca/Neo Pagan
- 24th Christmas Eve Christian
- 25th Christmas Day Christian
 - Bank Holiday England, Wales, Scotland,
 - Northern Ireland and ROI
 - Feast of the Nativity Orthodox Christian
- 26th Saint Stephen's Day Christian
 - Zarathosht Diso (Death of Prophet
 - **Zarathushtra)** Zoroastrian
 - Bank holiday
 - Boxing day
 - Kwanzaa Day
 - St Stephen's Day Christian
- 27th Bank Holiday
- 28th Holy Innocents Christian
- 30th Feast of the Holy Family Catholic Christian
- 31st New Year's Eve/Hogmanay
 - Watch Night Christian

AND INCLUSION CALENDAR 2023

























