

Health Campaigns Calendar 2024

This resource will help you find out about national health and wellbeing campaigns and awareness days which you can use to plan activities and help raise awareness in schools.





Campaign	Date	More Information
Dry January	January 2024	Challenging you to go alcohol free for 31 days and aims to raise awareness of the effects of alcohol.
World Religion Day	21 January 2024	Alcohol Change To promote inter-faith understanding and harmony.
		World Religion Day
LGBT+ History Month	February 2024	To promote equality and diversity for the benefit of the public.
		LGBT+ History Month
World Cancer Day	4 February 2024	Aims to save millions of preventable deaths each year by encouraging individuals to take action.
		World Cancer Day
Time to Talk Day	1 February 2024	Getting people to talk about mental health and by doing so help change lives.
		Time to Change
National Apprenticeship Week	5-11 February 2024	Annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships to shine a light on the amazing work being done by employers and apprentices across the country.
		Apprenticeships
Eating Disorder Awareness Week	26 February-3 March 2024	An international awareness event, fighting the myths and misunderstandings that surround eating disorders.
		Beat Eating Disorders
International Women's Day	8 March 2024	A global holiday celebrated annually to commemorate the cultural, political, and socioeconomic achievements of women.
		International Women's Day
No Smoking Day	13 March 2024	Help encourage as many smokers as possible to quit on No Smoking Day by organising your own event.
		British Heart Foundation
British Science Week	7 – 16 March 2024	A ten-day celebration of science, technology, engineering and maths. This year's theme is growth, with lots of free resources for schools to use!
		British Science Week



Nutrition & Hydration Week	11 – 17 March 2024	A shared objective to highlight, promote and celebrate improvements in the provision of nutrition and hydration locally, nationally and globally.
		Nutrition and Hydration Week
Red Nose Day, Comic Relief	15 March 2024	With the mission to end child poverty, this year's theme is about 'you', the people at home, in schools and on the ground, doing your bit.
		Red Nose Day
World Sleep Day	15 March 2024	A celebration of sleep and a call to action on important issues related to sleep, including medicine, education, social aspects and driving.
		World Sleep Day
World Oral Health Day	20 March 2024	Celebrated globally every year on 20 March. Organised by FDI World Dental Federation.
		World Oral Health Day
Stress Awareness Month	April 2024	Increasing public awareness about both the causes and cures for our modern stress epidemic.
		Stress Management Society
On Your Feet Britain	25 April 2024	Workers across Britain unite together and participate in a variety of fun and simple activities to #SitLess and #MoveMore at work.
		Living Streets
National Walking Month	May 2024	Encourages people to walk more throughout May.
		<u>Living Streets</u>
Sun Awareness Week	6-12May 2024	Get involved in raising awareness across the UK by ordering free posters and leaflets from the Sun Awareness range.
		British Association of Dermatologists
Deaf Awareness	6-12 May 2024	The aim of Deaf Awareness Week is to raise
Week		awareness of hearing loss in the UK and its impact on people's lives.
		Deaf Council
Mental Health Awareness Week	13- 19 May 2024	A UK event supported by the Mental Health Foundation. The aim is to educate the public about mental health issues and to promote better mental health.
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National Numeracy Day	22 May 2024	Led by National Numeracy, this day involves different activities and events to encourage everyone to build their confidence with numbers.
		National Numeracy
International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia	17 May 2024	International events raising awareness of LGBT rights violations and stimulating interest in LGBT rights work worldwide.
		May 17
Volunteers' Week	3-9 June 2024	Volunteers' Week is a time to say thanks for the contribution millions of people make across the UK through volunteering.
		<u>Volunteers' Week</u>
Bike Week	10-16 June 2024	Encouraging people to get out cycling and switch to cycling as the best way to get around.
		Cycling Week
National Carers Week	10-16 June 2024	Raising awareness of caring by highlighting the challenges that carers face and recognise the contribution they make.
		Carers Week
BNF Healthy Eating Week	10-14 June 2024	Have 5 A Day; Drink plenty; Get active; and try something new.
		British Nutrition Foundation
National Clean Air Day	20 June 2024	A chance for the whole country to come together and improve air quality through collective action.
		Clean Air Day
Learning Disability Week	17-23 June 2024	Raising awareness about the issues that are important to people with a learning disability and their families and carers. Mencap
Alcohol Awareness Week	1-7 July 2024	A chance for the UK to get thinking about drinking. It's a week of awareness-raising, campaigning for change, and more.
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Cycle to Work Day	1 August 2024	UK's biggest cycle commuting event. Cycle to Work Day
World Suicide Prevention Day	10 September 2024	Promoting worldwide commitment and action to prevent suicides.



		International Association of Suicide Prevention
National Eye Health Week	23-29 September 2023	Healthcare professionals joining forces to encourage more people to have regular sight tests and make lifestyle choices that benefit their vision and general wellbeing.
		<u>Vision Matters</u>
International Day of Sign Languages	23 September 2024	Celebrated annually across the world on 23 September every year along with International Week of the Deaf.
		The UN
World's Biggest Coffee Morning	27 September 2024	Support Macmillan by hosting your own coffee morning to raise awareness.
		<u>Macmillan</u>
National Fitness Day	18 September 2024	Make this the most active day of the year.
		National Fitness Day
Stoptober	October 2024	Encouraging the nation's smokers to make a quit
		attempt for the month of October and beyond.
		Public Health England
Sober October	October 2024	Get involved in Sober October by going alcohol-free
		in October to raise money for people with cancer.
		Macmillan Cancer Support
Black History Month	October 2024	A nationwide celebration of Black History, Arts and
		Culture throughout the UK.
		Black History Month
World Mental Health	10 October	An opportunity to raise awareness and advocacy
Day	2024	against mental health stigma.
		World Mental Health Day
Coming Out Day	11 October	An awareness day for LGBTQ+ people to celebrate
	2024	being their authentic selves.
		Coming Out Day
Restart a Heart Day	16 October	Increase public awareness of cardiac arrests and
	2024	increase the number of people trained in life saving
		CPR and defibrillator use.
		Restart a Heart Day
National Stress Awareness Day	6 November	Raise awareness, publicity and profile of stress and its
	2024	impact, and reduce stigma while promoting the
		importance of wellbeing and stress reduction.



		National Stress Awareness Day
Trans Awareness	13-19	This week helps raise the visibility of transgender
Week	November 2024	people and address issues members of the
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		community face.
		GLAAD
Anti-Bullying Week	11-15	Anti-Bullying Week is organised by the Anti Bullying
	November 2024	Alliance (ABA). The ABA is made up of anti-bullying
		organisations from all over the UK.
		Anti-bullying Alliance
		Tackling bullying in the NHS infographic
BBC Children in Need	15 November	Fundraising to help disadvantaged young people in
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		<u>Children in Need</u>
International Men's	19 November	Making a positive difference to the wellbeing and
Day	2024	lives of men and boys.
		UK Men's Day
Disability History	14 November-	A month of activity to raise awareness and support
Month	20 December	people with disabilities.
	2024	
		<u>Disability History Month</u>
National Grief	2-8 December	To raise awareness of the impact of grief.
Awareness Week	2024	
		The Good Grief Trust
International Day of	3 December	Since 1992, the United Nations IDPD has been
People with Disabilities	2024	annually celebrated around the world.
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