

Newcomen Primary School Global Awareness

January 2024

21st January - World Religion Day

World Religion Day is celebrated every January on the third Sunday of the month. Its aim is to promote understanding and peace between all religions, encouraging people to learn about other faiths and their followers. The first such day was observed in 1950.

How to celebrate?

- [World Religion Day Assembly KS1 - RE Resources - Twinkl](#) assembly PowerPoint available for KS1 and KS2

17th January - 23rd January - Energy Saving Week

Energy Saving Week is a national campaign with the aim to help and encourage people to save energy while cutting down on fuel costs at the same time.

How to celebrate?

- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/energy-saving-week-t-tp-2660771>
- Discuss with the children what energy is and how it is made? Generate ideas to save energy and become An Energy Expert!
- Link to global warming and climate change for KS2, quiz and discussion cards available online.
- Introduce Greta Thunberg as an inspirational person and discuss her life and campaigns.

25th January - Burns Night

The 25th January marks the birthday of one of Scotland's important cultural icons, Robert Burns. Burns Night is celebrated by relatives and friends coming together to have a Burns Supper in honour of this national treasure.

How to celebrate?

- <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/primary-school-assemblies-collective-worship-ks1-burns-night/znxhtrd> collective worship audio and music
- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/cfe-t-2567195-cfe-whole-school-assembly-on-burns-night-powerpoint>

27th January - Holocaust Memorial Day

Holocaust Memorial Day, or International Holocaust Remembrance Day, is the day that the UK, as with many other countries worldwide, has designated as a day of remembrance for those who lost their lives during the Holocaust. From 2005, Holocaust Memorial Day has been observed each year on January 27th. This is the same day that the Auschwitz concentration camp was liberated in 1945.

How to celebrate?

- <https://www.hmd.org.uk/take-part-in-holocaust-memorial-day/schools/> resources available online for schools.
- <https://www.twinkl.co.uk/resource/t2-t-146-holocaust-memorial-day-ks2-assembly-script-and-presentation-pack>
- Holocaust Memorial day assembly and video <https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/school-radio/assemblies-ks2-holocaust-memorial-day-steven-frank/zdngf82>