

Newcomen Primary School Global Awareness

March 2024

2nd March- World Book Day

World Book Day is an annual charity event that began in 1995 and is celebrated in the UK and Ireland on the first Thursday in March. On World Book Day, every child in full-time education is given a voucher to spend on whatever book they want, with the hopes of encouraging kids to read more. Reading more will help to improve their vocabulary while learning new information, and enhancing their creativity in the process!

How to celebrate?

- www.worldbookday.com (10 minutes story sharing videos available.)
- [Whole School Assembly on World Book Day PowerPoint \(twinkl.co.uk\)](https://www.twinkl.co.uk)

Tuesday 8th March 2024- International Woman's Day

What is International Women's Day? International Women's Day is an annual event that celebrates all the amazing things women have achieved. It is a way to show how women have and continue to influence the world. As well as celebrating brilliant women, it's also used as a day to highlight and raise awareness about issues that women still face.

How to celebrate?

- [IWD: International Women's Day 2024 campaign theme: #EmbraceEquity \(internationalwomensday.com\)](https://www.internationalwomensday.com)
- Share a book about an inspirational women (Little people Big Dreams collection)
- Twinkl assembly available

10th – 19th March 2024 – British Science Week

In 2024, British Science Week will take place from the 10th to the 19th March, running with the theme of 'Connections'.

How to celebrate?

- www.britishscienceweek.org
- [British Science Week - Teaching Resources - BBC Teach](https://www.bbc.com/teach/resources)

17th March – Comic Relief/ Red Nose Day.

Comic Relief is a British charity and organisation originally founded by comedy scriptwriter Richard Curtis and comedian Lenny Henry in 1985! The main aim of Comic Relief is to help the poorest people in the world and those whose lives have been affected by war and other hardships.

The concept of Comic Relief was to make people laugh and raise money to help people around the world!

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How to celebrate?

- Red Nose Day | Comic Relief
- Assembly and Reading available on Twinkl
- BBC and Newsround

21st March 2024 World Poetry Day

In 1999, World Poetry Day was introduced, with the aim of promoting the reading, writing, publishing and teaching of poetry around the world. It is an opportunity to appreciate the power of poetry and how it can capture the creative spirit of the human mind.

How to celebrate?

- Use curriculum poems for shared reading throughout the week.
- Poetry Teaching Resources - BBC Teach
- Twinkl assembly pack