



Events and Celebration Calendar

In the Early Years at Nettlesworth Primary School, we engage in events, festivals, and celebrations throughout the year. Outlined below are the planned for experiences we intend for our children. Other events and experiences will happen depending upon the children's interests and topic choices throughout each of the 6 terms, as well as those celebrated as a whole school; such as Wear a Hat Day or Fairtrade Fortnight.

Term	Event or Celebration	Date and Term	Enhancement
Autumn 1	Roald Dahl Story Day	September	Sharing stories/excerpts of stories/ poems by Roald Dahl.
	International Dot Day	September	A celebration of creativity, courage, and collaboration – collaborative art
	World Mental Health Day	October	'Mental health is a universal human right' - Sessions and provocations re. emotional literacy.
	Recycle Week	October	The Big Recycling Hunt – focus on items that can be recycled but are commonly missed in the home.
Autumn 2	Halloween	October	Pumpkin carving, links to maths. Instructions, recipe, work of Yayoi Kusama.
	Bonfire Night	November	Sessions and provocations re. fire safety, firework art – Jackson Pollock, roasting marshmallows
	Remembrance Day	November	Remembering the people and animals who have died in wars. Poppy crafts and stories.
	Diwali	November	Sikh and Hindu Festival. Invite parents/carers. Explore story of festival, rangoli patterns, create diva cups using clay, craft lanterns.
	World Nursery Rhyme Week	November	Celebration of nursery rhymes.
	Children in Need	November	Raising money for charity. Pudsey baking and spotty enhancements.
	Christmas Jumper Day	December	Children wear festive jumpers.
	Christmas	End of Autumn 2	Traditional Christmas performance
Spring 1	Children's Mental Health Week	February	<i>Theme announced in Autumn.</i>
	Lunar New Year	January	Follow Besee.n EY resource pack. Year of the Dragon
	Pancake Day (Shrove Tuesday)	February	Pancake making and tossing, maths links, recipes. (In half term)
	Valentine's Day	February	Celebration of someone you love – crafts and cards invitation to create. (In half term)
Spring 2	World Book Day	March	Dressing up as their favourite book characters and engage in activities to encourage reading, guest and secret story tellers.
	Mothering Sunday	March	Celebration of the people who love us.
	Ramadan	Starts March	Muslim celebration - Invite families partaking in Ramadan to share their own stories and traditions.
	British Science Week	March	Sessions and provocations celebrating science, technology, engineering, and maths. Theme: Time
	Red Nose Day	March	Raising money for UK based charities.
	Holi	March	Hindu Festival - Welcome of Spring "festival of colour" - history of festival, learn Holi dance and explore colour.
	Easter	April	Christian Celebration – Easter story, flower craft, egg hunt, hot cross bun tasting.
Summer 1	Eid	April	Party celebration role play enhancement.
	Earth Day	April	Theme – 'Invest in our planet'. Sharing stories exploring environmental issues.
	Children's Gardening Week	May-June	Celebrate the benefits and fun of gardening at home. (Half term week)
Summer 2	Father's Day	June	Celebration of the people who love us.