



HOWELL'S SCHOOL  
Llandaff

GDST  
GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST

# Inclusion Calendar

Our Year Together  
2021 – 2022

## KEY DATES IN JANUARY

### LET'S CELEBRATE OUR DIVERSITY



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 color.

— *Maya Angelou* —

AZ QUOTES

At Howell's our students come from over 20 different countries and represent a wide range of ethnic groups bringing a wealth of knowledge, experiences, diversity and cultures. This month we celebrate our diversity and encourage our community to share their personal experiences on themes such as food, dance and music.

#### DO SOMETHING

- Meet the historian David Olusoga

From the Roman times to the present day Black Britons have been a part of UK history, however this particular history has previously not been an explicit, compulsory focus of the UK school curriculum. Historian David Olusoga, has written a children's book telling the stories of Roman, Victorian and 20th century Black British.

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=68zpVIABu-g>

- 01 January – Gantan–sai (New Year Shinto)
- 01 January – Global Family Day
- 04 January – World Braille Day
- 05 January – Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh (Sikh)
- 06 January – Epiphany (Christian)
- 13 January – Lohri / Maghi (Sikh)
- 14 January – Makar Sankranti (Hindu)
- 16 January – Tu B'Shvat (Jewish)
- 17 January – World Religion Day
- 18 January – Mahayana - New Year (Buddhist)
- 18 January – Martin Luther King Jnr Day
- 18 to 26 January – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Christian)
- 25 January – Dydd Santes Dwynwen (Saint Dwynwen's Day, Wales)
- 25 January – Robert Burns Night (Burns Night)
- 27 January – Holocaust Memorial Day
- 31 January – Birthday of Guru Har Rai (Sikh)

## KEY DATES IN FEBRUARY

### EDUCATE OUT PREJUDICE

LGBT+ History Month focuses on the celebration and recognition of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people (LGBT+) and culture.

The theme this year is: "The Arc is Long".

This is inspired by the Martin Luther King quote:

***The arc of the moral universe is long, but it  
bends towards justice.***

By raising awareness and challenging prejudice we can ensure our School is a welcoming space for LGBT+ students.

**DO SOMETHING:** WATCH LGBT+ Ted Talks



01 to 28 February – LGBT+ History Month - "The Arc is Long"

01 to 07 February– World Interfaith Harmony Week & UK Race Equality Week

01 February– Chinese New Year

01 February– World Hijab Day

02 February– Candlemas (Christian)

03 February– Time to Talk Day

04 February– World Cancer Day

07 to 13 February – Children’s Mental Health Week - "Growing Together"

08 February– Safer Internet Day

11 February– International Day of Women and Girls in Science

14 February– Saint Valentine's Day

15 February– Parinirvana Day / Nirvana Day (Buddhist)

16 February– Vasant Panchami (Hindu)

20 February– World Day of Social Justice

26 February– International STAND UP to Bullying Day

27 February – Lailat al Miraj (Islam)

## KEY DATES IN MARCH

### BUILD A GENDER EQUAL WORLD

International Women's Day is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women. This year the theme is #Break the Bias. At Howell's we have been empowering students since 1860 and our aim is that you will leave school with the expectation that you will experience gender equality in your lives but that you will have the courage to challenge gender stereotypes and gender inequality if you encounter them.

**DO SOMETHING** - pledge your commitment to challenge inequality, call out bias and question stereotypes.



- 01 to 31 March – Women's History Month
- 01 to 31 March – UK National Inclusion Month
- 01 March – Zero Discrimination Day
- 01 March – International Wheelchair Day
- 01 March – Saint David's Day (Christian)
- 01 March – Nineteen Day Fast (Baha'i)
- 01 March – Shrove Tuesday (Christian)
- 02 March - Ash Wednesday (Christian)
- 03 March – World Hearing Day
- 08 March – International Women's Day
- 11 to 20 March – British Science Week - "Growth"
- 14 March – Nanakshahi - New Year (Sikh)
- 16 March – Young Carers Action Day
- 16 March – Purim (Jewish)
- 17 March – Saint Patrick's Day (Christian)
- 18 March – Lailat al Bara'ah (Islam)
- 18 March – Hola Mohalla (Sikh)
- 18 March – Holi (Hindu)
- 20 March – Naw –Rúz (New Year – Baha'i)
- 21 March – International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
- 27 March – Mothering Sunday
- 31 March – International Transgender Day of Visibility

## KEY DATES IN APRIL THINK ACCESSIBILITY



Hidden disabilities don't have physical signs and they include learning difficulties; mental health problems; mobility, speech, visual or hearing impairments, as well as some chronic illnesses which can significantly impact day-to-day life but aren't always visible. The month of April is World Autism Awareness Month and also includes MS Awareness Week. Whilst other awareness days appear throughout the calendar, in School, we have chosen to designate April as a time to consider tackling barriers such as inaccessibility, marginalisation and discrimination.

**DO SOMETHING** - Find out more about autism by visiting the National Autistic Society website – this is a superb site with some really engaging features. Be aware – don't make assumptions about others and the challenges they may face.

29 March to 04 April – World Autism Awareness Week

02 April – Ramadan begins (Islam)

02 April – World Autism Awareness Day

07 April – World Health Day

08 April – International Romani Day

10 April – Hanuman Jayanti (Hindu)

13 April – Ugadi (New Year - Hindu)

14 April – Mahavir Jayanti (Jain)

14 April – Maundy Thursday (Christian)

15 April – Good Friday (Christian)

15 April – Passover (Jewish)

17 April – Easter Sunday (Christian)

18 April – Easter Monday (Christian)

18 April – Ramayana begins (Hindu)

18 April – Birthday of Guru Angad Dev (Sikh)

18 April – Birthday of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Sikh)

20 to 26 April – MS Awareness Week

20 April – First Day of Ridvan (Baha'i)

22 April – Earth Day

22 April – Stephen Lawrence Day

23 April – Saint George's Day (Christian)

27 April – Yom HaShoah (Jewish)

29 April – Ninth Day of Ridvan (Baha'i)