



Dates of events and festivals change according to the calendar used to calculate them so it is essential that users do their own research to identify the particular date for the celebration for a particular year themselves.

See [this list](#) for 2018 events!

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Month	Event	Highdays & Holidays	National Days	Literary Birthdays	Awards
All Year	<a href="#">Readers Cup</a> (Qld) <a href="#">Premier's Reading Challenge</a> (NSW) <a href="#">It's Your Story Calendar</a>				
January		New Years Day Federation Day Australia Day Epiphany Maulid An Nabi	Burma Ukraine India	May Gibbs Morris Gleitzman J.R.R. Tolkien Hugh Lofting A.A. Milne	<a href="#">Caldecott Medal (USA)</a> <a href="#">Newbery Medal (USA)</a> <a href="#">Printz Award (USA)</a>
February	Back to School <a href="#">Safer Internet Day</a> <a href="#">International Book Giving Day</a> <a href="#">Library Lovers Day</a> <a href="#">World Read Aloud Day</a>	Chinese New Year St Valentine's Day Magha Puja Purim	Sri Lanka New Zealand Japan Lithuania Nepal Estonia	A.B. Paterson Willhelm Grimm Norman Lindsay Jules Verne Jeff Kinney	
March	<a href="#">Read Across America</a> <a href="#">World Book Day</a> <a href="#">World Storytelling Day</a> <a href="#">World Poetry Day</a>	International Women's Day Hino Matsuri Holi St Patricks Day <a href="#">Harmony Day</a> <a href="#">World Water Day</a> <a href="#">Earth Hour</a> <a href="#">National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence</a>	Wales Morocco Mauritius Ireland Greece Bangladesh	Dr Seuss Mem Fox Jeannie Baker	<a href="#">Scottish Children's Book Awards</a>

<p><b>April</b></p>	<p><a href="#">International Children's Book Day</a>  <a href="#">Drop Everything and Read Month</a>  <a href="#">Poem in Your Pocket Day</a></p>	<p>Easter  Ramanavami  Fo Dan  Song Kran  Passover  Baisakhi  <a href="#">Earth Day</a>  ANZAC Day</p>	<p>Syria  Zimbabwe  Netherlands</p>	<p>William Shakespeare  Graeme Base  Hans Christian Andersen  Paul Jennings  Emily Rodda</p>	<p>CBCA Notables</p>
<p><b>May</b></p>	<p><a href="#">Mother Goose Day</a>  <a href="#">National Simultaneous Storytime</a>  <a href="#">Library and Information Week</a></p>	<p>Wesak  Mothers Day  Star Wars Day  <a href="#">Hairy Nosed Wombat Day</a>  <a href="#">National Sorry Day</a>  <a href="#">National Reconciliation Week</a>  Kodomo no hi/Japanese Children's Day  <a href="#">International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia</a>  <a href="#">Towel Day</a>  <a href="#">Harvey Milk Day</a></p>	<p>Paraguay  Norway</p>	<p>Chris Cheng  Sir James Barrie  Edward Lear  L. Frank Baum  Sir Arthur Conan Doyle</p>	<p>CBCA Shortlists</p>
<p><b>June</b></p>		<p><a href="#">World Environment Day</a>  Queen's Birthday  <a href="#">World Oceans Day</a>  <a href="#">World Refugee Week</a>  Winter Solstice</p>	<p>Italy  Denmark  Sweden  Portugal  Philippines</p>	<p>Henry Lawson  Rick Riordan  Richard Scarry  Maurice Sendak  Isobelle Carmondy</p>	<p><a href="#">Miles Franklin Award</a>  <a href="#">Boston Globe–Horn Book Awards</a>  <a href="#">Canadian Library Association Book of the Year</a>  <a href="#">Carnegie Medal</a>  <a href="#">Kate Greenaway Medal</a></p>
<p><b>July</b></p>		<p>Ramadan</p>	<p>Canada</p>	<p>J. K. Rowling</p>	

		<a href="#">NAIDOC Week</a>	USA Tonga Venezuela Solomon Islands Colombia France Iraq Laos Belgium Poland Egypt Peru Vanuatu	Garth Nix	
<b>August</b>	<a href="#">The Reading Hour</a> <a href="#">Australian Children's Book Week</a>	Id ul Fitr (Eid) Janmashtami <a href="#">National Science Week</a> <a href="#">Wear it Purple</a>	Switzerland Hong Kong Bolivia Singapore Ecuador Thailand Pakistan South Korea Indonesia Hungary Romania Uruguay Malaysia		CBCA Book of the Year <a href="#">New Zealand Book Awards for Children and Young Adults</a>
<b>September</b>	<a href="#">Indigenous Literacy Day</a> <a href="#">The Great Book Swap</a> <a href="#">International Literacy Day</a> <a href="#">National Literacy &amp; Numeracy Week</a> <a href="#">Banned Books Week</a>	Rosh Hashanah Fathers Day <a href="#">National eSmart Week</a>	Brazil Bulgaria Papua New Guinea Mexico Chile Malta	Roald Dahl Gary Crew Andy Griffiths C. J. Dennis H.G. Wells Tomie dePaola Anthony Browne John Marsden	

				Libby Hathorn	
<b>October</b>	<a href="#">Global Read Aloud Day</a> <a href="#">Teen Read Week</a> <a href="#">International School Libraries Month</a>	Yom Kippur Universal Children's Day Halloween Día de Muertos/Day of the Dead	Cyprus Fiji Spain Austria Nauru Turkey Tanzania	Robert Ingpen Bob Graham	<a href="#">Inky Awards</a>
<b>November</b>	<a href="#">Picture Book Month</a> <a href="#">International Games Day</a>	Diwali Remembrance Day Thanksgiving	Latvia Lebanon	Jackie French R.L. Stevenson Alison Lester	<a href="#">KOALA Awards</a>
<b>December</b>	Christmas Countdown	<a href="#">Hour of Code</a> Christmas Boxing Day Hannukah	Finland Kenya	Jacqueline Wilson Roland Harvey	

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