

NOA Festivals Calendar 2016-17

Term	Festival	Religion	Date	Assembly/Tutor Notice / Podcast	Whole school event
1 5/09 – 21/10	Eid al Adha	Islam	11-14 th Sept	Tutor notice, assembly	
	Harvest festival	Christian	October – half term.	Tutor notice	Food bank collection College competition.
	Yom Kippur	Judaism	12.10.16	Tutor notice Tutor activity: Reflect – what’s gone well so far? What do I need to change? Sorry cards?	
	All Hallows Eve		31.10.16	Tutor Notice	Pumpkin decorating competition (sign up – points for college)
	Diwali	Hindu	30.10.16	Assembly Tutor notice	Bridge Display Lights/mirror ball Art competition?
2 31/10 – 15/12	Remembrance day	All and none	11.11.16	Tutor notice	Rag tie – Peaceful garden. Remembrance poem?
	Hanukkah (Maccabees purified temple)	Jewish	25.12.16	Tutor notice	
	Bodhi Day (enlightenment)	Buddhist	8.12.16	Tutor notice	Y11 assembly
	Advent/Christmas	Christian	25.12.16	Tutor notice	Student advent calendar – Diversity Ambassadors

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3 4/01 – 10/02	World Religion Day (started by Ba’hai in 1950 – golden rule)	Ba’hai	17.01.17	Tutor notice and assembly Y7 Treat others as you would like to be treated	Random acts of kindness
	Interfaith week (celebration of all faiths and none)	All and none	Wk beg. 1.02.17	Podcast and tutor notice	Podcast on atheism and how it fits into a world based on different faiths
	Chinese New Year	Chinese/ Buddhism	8.02.17	Tutor notice	Tutor activity – what’s your animal and what does it mean? Chinese Lantern display?
4 20/02 – 6/04	International day of happiness	All and none	20.03.17	Tutor notice	Tutor activity in notices = what makes you happy?
	Holi	Hindu	Tues 13.03.17	Tutor notice	Colour run (at the end of school)
	Purim (remembrance of the story of Esther who saved the Jews)	Jewish	12-13.03.17	Tutor notice (standing up for what you believe in)	
	Easter	Christian	14-16.03.17	Tutor notice	Treasure hunt with Easter facts
	Vaisakhi (New Year - Harvest)	Sikh	13.04.17	Tutor notice	Paper flower making ?
5 24/04 – 26 /05	Wesak (Buddah’s birthday)	Buddhist	06.05.17	Tutor notice	Vegetarian food in restaurant
	Ramadan	Islam	Start around 27.05.17	Tutor notice	Alternative lunch room, Ramadan
6	World refugee day (different faith groups working together to	All faiths	20.06.17	Tutor notice	Non uniform fund raiser?

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5/06 - 21/07	support communities)				
	Summer solstice	Pagan	20.06.17	Assembly Y7	
	Eid	Islam	8.07.17	Tutor notice	Special lamb meal Happy Eid display - courtyard