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CALENDAR

Alia, a 13-year-old fourth-grade student, with her friends, happy to receive clean, safe water at Want High School, Nuristan Province, Afghanistan. 13/04/2026



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5 Int. Day of Charity
6	7 Int. Day of Clean Air for Blue Skies	8 Int. Literacy Day	9	10	11 Rosh Hashanah Begins	12
13	14	15 Int. Day of Democracy	16	17	18 Culture Night Int. Equal Pay Day	19
20 World Cleanup Day Yom Kippur Begins	21 International Day of Peace	22	23 Int. Day of Sign Languages	24	25 Sukkot begins	26 European Day of Languages
27	28 Int. Day of Universal Access to Information	29	30			

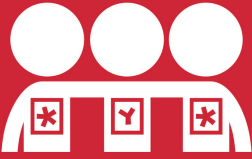
SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

Culture Night



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AIMS OF EDUCATION



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MINORITY CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND RELIGION



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REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS

Int. Day of Peace



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REFUGEE CHILDREN



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PROTECTION IN WAR

Int. day of universal access to information



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RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS



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SHARING THOUGHTS FREELY



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ACCESS TO INFORMATION



31 October 2025, Kyiv region, Ukraine. Brothers Mykyta, 11, and his older brother Tymofii play together among fallen autumn leaves near their home on the outskirts of Kyiv after being displaced from the city of Dnipro due to the war. Spending time outdoors and playing together is part of their daily routine as the family adjusts to a new environment following relocation.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Black History Month Ireland Begins	2	3
4	5 World Teachers Day	6 World Habitat Day	7	8	9 Int. Migratory Bird Day	10 World Mental Health Day
11 Int. Day of the Girl	12	13	14	15	16 World Food Day	17
18	19	20 Diwali	21	22	23	24 United Nations Day
25	26 Global Media and Information Literacy Week	27	28	29 Int. Day of Care and Support	30	31 Samhain

SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

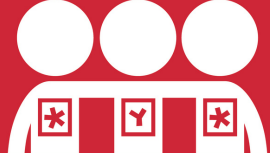
Black History Month

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MINORITY CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND RELIGION

World Teachers Day

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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World Food Day

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HEALTH, WATER, FOOD, ENVIRONMENT

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FOOD, CLOTHING, A SAFE HOME

OCTOBER

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Berlin, 10 September: Children's rights workshop for this year's World Children's Day (September 20) under the motto "Children's Rights - Building Blocks for Democracy!" ("Kinderrechte - Bausteine für Demokratie!") with Deutsches Kinderhilfswerk and UNICEF Germany.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 All Saints' Day	Día de Los Muertos/Day of the Dead 2 All Souls' Day	3	4	5 World Tsunami Awareness Day	6	7
8	World Science Day for Peace and Development 9 COP 31 Begins	10	11	12	13	14 World Diabetes Day
15	16	17	18	19	20 WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY!	21
22	23	24	25	26 World Sustainable Transport Day US Thanksgiving	27 Native American Heritage Day	28
Int. Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People 29	30					



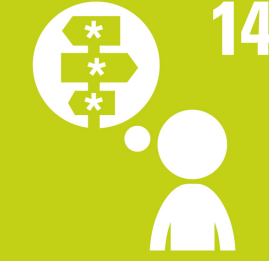
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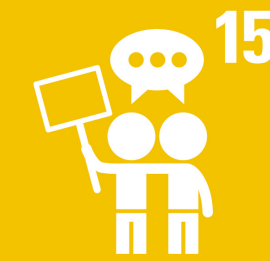


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FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION

WORLD CHILDREN'S DAY!



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SETTING UP OR JOINING GROUPS



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PROTECTION OF PRIVACY



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ACCESS TO INFORMATION



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EVERYONE MUST KNOW CHILDREN'S RIGHTS



5 December 2024, Kharkiv, Ukraine. A young passenger and his mother explore a busy board inside the children's carriage at the Kharkiv train station

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 Int. Day For People with Disabilities	4 Hanukkah Begins	5 World Soil Day The Late Late Toy Show
6 St Nicholas Day	7	8 Bodhi Day	9	10 Human Rights Day	11 Int. Mountain Day	12 Last night of Hanukkah
13	14	15	16	17	18 Int. Migrants Day	19
20 Int. Human Solidarity Day	21 World Basketball Day	22	23	24	25 Christmas	26 Saint Stephen's Day
27	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve		

SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

Int. Day For People with Disabilities



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Int. Migrants Day



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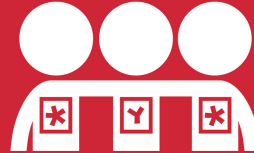
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18 January 2026, Mykolaivka, Kyiv region, Ukraine. Four-year-old Alika walks hand in hand with her mother along a snow-covered path near a house in the Kyiv region, Ukraine, during a period of severe winter weather.

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JANUARY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 New Years Day	2
3	4 World Braille Day	5	6 Epiphany Nollaig na mBan	7 Orthodox Christmas Day	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19 Martin Luther King Day	20	21	22	23
24 Int. Day of Education	25	26 Int. Day of Clean Energy	27 Holocaust Memorial Day	28 Int. Day of Peaceful Coexistence	29	30
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SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

Martin Luther King Day	 ² NO DISCRIMINATION	 ¹⁴ FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION	 ¹⁵ SETTING UP OR JOINING GROUPS	 ¹⁹ PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE	Int. Day of Education	 ¹² RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS	 ²⁸ ACCESS TO EDUCATION	 ²⁹ AIMS OF EDUCATION	 ³¹ REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS
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19 November 2025, Kyiv, Ukraine. Children with intellectual disabilities attend a group lesson at the WeCan day care centre. Sitting at their desks, they listen attentively and participate in a structured classroom activity designed to support learning and social interaction.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	St. Brigid's Day 1 LGBT+ History Month Begins Fairbruary (fair trade February) Begins	2 Interfaith Harmony Week	3	4	5	6 Chinese/Lunar New Year
7	8 First Night of Ramadan	9 Pancake Tuesday	10 Ash Wednesday Safer Internet Day	11 Int. Day of Women and Girls in Science	12	13 World Radio Day
14 St. Valentine's Day	15	16	17	18	19	20 World Day of Social Justice
21 Mother Languages Day	28 22	23	24	25	26	27

SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

Safer Internet Day

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RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION

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PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE

Int. Mother Languages Day

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FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION

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MINORITY CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND RELIGION



27 January 2025 - Students from the Marie Auxiliatrice school smile during a visit by UNICEF spokesperson James Elder to their school located in Delmas 45, Haiti.

MARCH2027

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 Seachtain na Gaeilge Begins Zero Discrimination Day	2	3 World Wildlife Day	4	5	6 Maha Shivratri
7 Mother's Day	8 Int. Women's Day	9 Eid al-Fitr	10 Int. Day of Women Judges	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 St. Patrick's Day	18	19	20 Int. Day of Happiness
21 Int. Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination	22 World Water Day	23	24 Holi	25	26 Good Friday	27
28 Easter Sunday	29	30 Int. Day of Zero Waste	31			

SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

International Women's Day

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RESPECT FOR CHILDREN'S VIEWS

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ACCESS TO EDUCATION

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AIMS OF EDUCATION

International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination

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MINORITY CULTURE, LANGUAGE AND RELIGION



UNICEF Armenia was deeply honored to welcome Her Majesty, the Queen of the Belgians, to the UNICEF-supported alternative preschool in Tsaghkuntz village, Gegharkunik region, celebrating the importance of early childhood education and joyful learning. 15/11/2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 April Fools' Day	2 World Autism Day	3
4	5	6 Int. Day of Sport for Development and Peace	7 World Health Day	8 Int. Romani Day	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
20	21 World Creativity and Innovation Day	22 Passover Begins Mother Earth Day	23 World Book Day	24	25	26
27	28 Passover Ends	29	30			

SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

World Autism Day



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BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD



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CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES



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Mother Earth Day



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HEALTH, WATER, FOOD, ENVIRONMENT



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AIMS OF EDUCATION



5 year old Ettien, reading a book provided by UNICEF and their partner The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with his mother, Jessica, observing. Pango ECCE Center, Efate, SHEFA, Vanuatu. 08/10/2025

MAY

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY			
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2 Orthodox Easter	3 May Day	4	5	6	7	8			
9 Int. Migratory Bird Day	10	11	12	13	14 Int. Day of Families	15 Int. Day of Living Together in Peace			
16 Eid al-Adha	17	18	19 World Fair Play Day	20 World Bee Day Bealtaine	21 World Day for Cultural Diversity	22 Int. Day for Biological Diversity			
23 30	24 31	25 World Football Day	26	27	28	29			
SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES									
3 BEST INTERESTS OF THE CHILD	5 FAMILY GUIDANCE AS CHILDREN DEVELOP	7 NAME AND NATIONALITY	9 KEEPING FAMILIES TOGETHER	10 CONTACT WITH PARENTS ACROSS COUNTRIES	International Day of Families	14 FREEDOM OF THOUGHT AND RELIGION	18 RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS	20 CHILDREN WITHOUT FAMILIES	21 CHILDREN WHO ARE ADOPTED



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Global Day of Parents	2	3	4	5 World Environment Day
6 Islamic New Year	7	8 World Oceans Day	9	10	11 Int. Day of Play	12 World Day against Child Labour
13	14	15	16	17	18	19 World Refugee Day
20 Father's Day	21	22	23	24 Int. Day of Women in Diplomacy	25	26
27	28	29	30			

SIGNIFICANT CHILD RIGHTS DATES

International Day of Play

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LIFE, SURVIVAL AND DEVELOPMENT

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REST, PLAY, CULTURE, ARTS

World Day against Child Labour

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PROTECTION FROM HARMFUL WORK

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PROTECTION FROM EXPLOITATION

World Refugee Day

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REFUGEE CHILDREN

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PROTECTION IN WAR

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RECOVERY AND REINTEGRATION

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Somaya, 12 years old, a Grade 5 student at an Accelerated Learning centre in Tushkan Dostrict, Badakhshan in northeastern Afghanistan. She dreams of becoming a teacher one day so she can support the girls in her community to read and write. 31/08/2025



What is Child Rights Schools?

Child Rights Schools is a UNICEF Child Rights Education programme. Currently running in 19 countries worldwide, it began in Ireland with a pilot in 2019 and since then the community of Child Rights Schools has continued to grow around the country.

A Child Rights School is a school where:

- children and adults learn about child rights
- children participate in decisions that affect them (like how and what they learn) and
- children and adults create together a school environment where every child can enjoy their rights and champion the rights of others.

About the Child Rights Calendar

The Child Rights Calendar aims to support educators, children and parents throughout their child rights journey. By highlighting key dates which can be linked to various articles of the CRC this calendar hopes to help you plan a year which celebrates diversity, promotes inclusion, and encourages everyone in your school community to learn *about, through, and for* children's rights.

Further Information and Resources

To learn more about and Child Rights Schools and to find more resources including curriculum-linked activities on child rights please visit <https://www.unicef.ie/child-rights-education/>

CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

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HOW THE CONVENTION WORKS