

Autumn Term 2025

Don't forget to check out Lancashire Library services for events, challenges and competitions throughout the year:
<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/libraries-and-archives/libraries/library-services/young-readers/>

Fantastic Book Awards (KS2) *info on Schools Portal September 2024 – May 2025 https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/school-library-service/services/fantastic-book-awards/	Roald Dahl Day 13 th September 2025 https://www.roalddahlcharity.org/get-involved/schools-fundraising/roald-dahl-story-day/	500 words 23 rd September – 7 th November 2025 https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/500-words?fbclid=IwAR28il6NQR0zLpzHg0TNEgiHwE651V7WL7hOgfcefbcgHir0IGVghxThzSk_aem_ARFCT9wHZ71FHdMhg-i1EnX1TPcmFbl390_EIOuLBI24PP-9CGP68gaB4vjyuOOhq1Y	Black History Month 1 st -31 st October 2025 https://www.blackhistorymonth.org.uk/
National Poetry Day 2 nd October 2025 Theme: Play https://nationalpoetryday.co.uk/#:~:text=Next%20year%2C%20National%20Poetry%20Day%20is%20on%20Thursday,your%20emotions%20and%20helping%20you%20to%20process%20them.%E2%80%99	Poetry by Heart competition launch 2 nd October 2025 https://www.poetrybyheart.org.uk/news/get-set-for-poetry-by-heart-2025	Dyslexia Awareness Week 6 th October – 13 th October 2025 https://www.bdadyslexia.org.uk/support-us/awareness-events	Harry Potter Book Day 9 th October 2025 https://www.bloomsbury.com/uk/discover/harry-potter/harry-potter-book-day/
World Mental Health Day 10 th October 2025 https://wmhdoofficial.com/home-2024-onepage/	Green Libraries Week 27 th October – 2 nd November 2025 Focus: Climate and Sustainability http://www.librariesweek.org.uk/	National Non-Fiction November 1 st - 30 th November 2025 Focus: Why Don't You https://fcbg.org.uk/nnfn/	World Nursery Rhyme Week 10 th -14 th November 2025 https://www.worldnurseryrhymeweek.com/
Anti-Bullying Week Theme: Power for Good 10 th – 14 th November 2025 https://anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/	NEW! Michael Rosen Day TBC November 2025 https://www.michaelrosen.co.uk/michaelroseday/	No Pens Day TBC November 2025 https://speechandlanguage.org.uk/get-involved/no-pens-day/	

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Brilliant Book Award (KS1) *info on Schools Portal Jan 2026 – May 2026 https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/school-library-service/services/brilliant-book-award/	Winnie The Pooh Day 18 th Jan 2026 https://nationaltoday.com/winnie-the-pooh-day/	Read Your World Day (formerly Multicultural Book Day) TBC Jan 2026 readyourworld.org?	National Storytelling Week TBC February 2026 https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/national-storytelling-week/
Children's Mental Health Week TBC February 2026 https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/	New! World Read Aloud Day TBC Feb 2026 (TBC) https://www.litworld.org/learn-more-about-wrad	International Book Giving Day 14 th February 2026 https://nationaltoday.com/international-book-giving-day/	National Tell a Fairy Tale Day 26 th Feb 2026 https://nationaldaycalendar.com/national-tell-a-fairy-tale-day-february-26/
World Book Day TBC 2026 https://www.worldbookday.com/	International Women's Day TBC March 2026 https://www.internationalwomensday.com/About	Neurodiversity Celebration Week TBC March 2026 https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/	World Storytelling Day 20 th March 2026 https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/fun/world-storytelling-day
Shakespeare Week TBC March 2026 https://www.shakespeareweek.org.uk	World Poetry Day TBC March 2026 https://www.unesco.org/en/days/poetry	Earth Hour 22 nd March 2026 https://www.earthhour.org/	
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Earth Day TBC April 2026 https://www.earthday.org/	Talk Like Shakespeare Day 23 rd April 2026 https://nationaltoday.com/talk-like-shakespeare-day/	National Share a Story Month May 2026 National Share-a-Story Month – The Federation of Children's Book Groups (fcbg.org.uk)	World Day for Cultural Diversity 21 st May 2026 https://www.thereisadayforthat.com/holidays/united-nations/cultural-diversity-day

Elmer's Birthday 24 th May 2026 https://www.elmer.co.uk/elmer-day/	Pyjamarama (Book Trust) TBC May 2026 https://secure.booktrust.org.uk/pyjamarama-register/	Refugee Week TBC June 2026 https://refugeeweek.org.uk/about/	The CILIP Carnegie Children's Book Award TBC June 2026 https://www.carnegiegreenaway.org.uk
School Diversity Week TBC June 2026 https://iustlikeus.org/home/get-involved/school-diversity-week/	National Writing Day TBC June 2025 https://firststory.org.uk/writeday/	CLiPPA Awards (Poetry) TBC Winner announced June 2026 https://clpe.org.uk/poetry/CLiPPA	Summer Holiday Challenges: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • National Summer Reading Challenge in Libraries https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk/ • Teachers Reading Challenge https://teachersreadingchallenge.org.uk/ • Summer Reading Bingo https://www.booksfortopics.com/bingo