

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 - subscription) September 2025 – 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_ae_m_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: Counting 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://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/world-mental-health-day	Green Libraries Week 27 th October - 2 nd November 2025 Focus: Climate and Sustainability https://www.cilip.org.uk/page/GreenLibrariesWeek	National Non-Fiction November 1 st - 30 th November 2024 Focus: Past Puzzles and Timeless Treasures 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 13 th November 2025 https://www.michaelrosen.co.uk/michaelrosenday/	No Pens Day 29 th November 2025 https://speechandlanguage.org.uk/get-involved/no-pens-day/	

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Brilliant Book Award (KS1 - subscription) Jan 2025 – May 2025 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/	National Storytelling Week 31 st Jan – 8 th Feb 2026 https://literacytrust.org.uk/resources/national-storytelling-week/	
Children's Mental Health Week 9 th – 15 th February 2026 https://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/	World Read Aloud Day 5 th 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 5 th March 2026 https://www.worldbookday.com/	International Women's Day 8 th March 2026 https://www.internationalwomensday.com/About	Neurodiversity Celebration Week 16 th – 20 th March 2026 (TBC) https://www.neurodiversityweek.com/	World Storytelling Day 20 th March 2026 https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/fun/world-storytelling-day
Shakespeare Week 23 rd – 29 th March 2026 https://www.shakespeareweek.org.uk	World Poetry Day 21 st March 2026 https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/world-poetry-day/	Earth Hour 28 th March 2026 https://www.earthhour.org/	

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Earth Day ??? April 2026 (TBC) 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) ??? May 2026 (TBC) https://secure.booktrust.org.uk/pyjarama-register/	Refugee Week 15 th – 21 st June 2026 https://refugeeweek.org.uk/about/	The CILIP Carnegie Children's Book Award ??? June 2026 (TBC) https://www.carnegiegreenaway.org.uk
School Diversity Week ??? June 2025 (TBC) https://justlikeus.org/home/get-involved/school-diversity-week/	National Writing Day 24 th June 2026 https://firststory.org.uk/writeday/	CLiPPA Awards (Poetry) Winner announced 2026 (TBC) https://clpe.org.uk/poetry/CLiPPA	Summer Holiday Challenges: • 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