Preview: September, 2015





Take a minute or two to reflect on your daily reminders and flick through the pages to access a wealth of useful tips, guidance and recommendations. September material includes information on the 2015 common inspection framework:

- Overall judgements and the 'four-point' scale
- Inspection notification and planning
- · Seeking the views of stakeholders
- Online 'Learner View'
- Inspecting the quality of teaching, learning and assessment
- · Ofsted, inspection and the use of data

This is in addition to multi-faith, equality and health and wellbeing reminders.



-anguages European Day of

Saturday 26th September, 2015

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This day provides an opportunity to show people across Europe how important languages are and what fun can be had learning them.



Also this month:

International Day of Charity

World Suicide Prevention Day 10th

Blood Pressure Awareness Week Sexual Health Week **14**th

Jeans For Genes Day **18**th International Day of Peace World Alzheimer's Day

World Contraception Day 26th

World Heart Day 29th



Multifaith Dates – September, 2015

Guru Granth Sahib (Sikh)

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sikhs celebrate the installation of the Guru Granth Sahib Sikh Scripture) in the Golden Temple, 1604.

Janmashtami (Hindu) 2th

Hindus celebrate the birth of Lord Krishna. It takes place during the Hindu month of Shravan.

(-17th) Paryushan (Jain) 10[‡]

'he most important Jain festival of the year, celebrated in the Indian month of Bhadra.

(-15th) Rosh Hashanah (Jewish) <u>₩</u>

The Jewish New Year festival and commemorates the creation of the world.

Ganesh Charurthi (Hindu) **1**/

Celebrates the birth of Ganesh, god of wisdom and prosperity.

Eid-al-Adha (Islam) 23rd

commemorates Ibrahim's (Abraham's) willingness to One of the most important Islamic holidays and sacrifice his son to God

Yom Kippur (Jewish)

Iranslates as the Day of Atonement and is the holiest date in the Jewish calendar.

Autumn Equinox (Pagan)

Celebrated by Pagans when day and night are of equal ength, and is the final festival of the harvest season.

(-4th October) Sukkot (Jewish)

lews remember the Israelites' 40 years of exile in the desert, before they reached the promised land.

"Strength lies in differences, not in similarities"
Stephen Covey, Author (1932 -)

September

- Equality & Diversity Planner 2015 -

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Saturday	5th	12 th	19 th	26 th	
Friday	4 th	11th	18 th	25 th	
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- Driving diversity, embedding equality -

Tuesday, 1st September 2015

Multifaith today: Guru Granth Sahib (Sikh)

Sikhs celebrate the installation of the Guru Granth Sahib (Sikh Scripture)

Today is... The start of 'Blue September'

In one week (8/9) - International Literacy Day

Blue September is a fun way of delivering a serious message about 'facing up to cancer in men'. Why BLUE? Blue is for men and we lose too many of them to prostate, lung, skin, bowel and testicular cancer.

More information at: http://www.blueseptember.org.uk/

Also today... The start of 'Childhood Cancer Awareness Month' (see Wednesday) and 'Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) Awareness Month' (see Thursday)

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In one month (1/10) - UK Older People's Day and, Black History Month, Stoptober, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, National Cholesterol Month, Make a Difference Month.

This month 'Childhood Cancer Awareness Month'
Awareness raising events across the UK. During Childhood Cancer Awareness Month (CCAM) CLIC Sargent is highlighting the impact of cancer and treatment on children, young people and their families, and the benefits of helping them spend more time at home. More information at:
http://www.clicsargent.org.uk/content/childhood-cancer-awareness-month
Reminder - In one week:
Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders National/International Awareness Day (9/9)

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This month 'Charcot-Marie-Tooth (CMT) Awareness Month'
CMT is a genetic condition that damages peripheral nerves. These nerves are responsible for passing on commands from the brain to the muscles (motor nerves) and for passing information to the brain about sensations, such as pain, heat, cold, touch, importantly for balance – where your joints are in space (sensory nerves). In the UK, around 25,000 people are thought to have CMT, making it the most common inherited neurological condition.
More information at: http://www.cmt.org.uk
Reminder – In one week: World Suicide Prevention Day (10/3)

Friday, 4 th September 2015
Ofsted and the inspection of further education and skills 2015
From September, 2015 inspectors will make overall judgements on:
 Effectiveness of leadership and management The quality of teaching, learning and assessment Personal development, behaviour and welfare of learners (new in 2015) Outcomes for learners
For further details search for the 'Further education and skills inspection hand-book 2015'. Please note the handbook remains in draft form until September.

Saturday, 5th September 2015

Multifaith today: **Janmashtami (Hindu)** Hindus celebrate the birth of Lord Krishna

Today is 'International Day of Charity'
Poverty persists in all countries of the world, regardless of their economic, social and cultural situation, particularly in developing countries. In recognition of the role of charity in alleviating humanitarian crises and human suffering within and among nations, as well as of the efforts of charitable organisations and individuals, including the work of Mother Teresa, the General Assembly of the United Nations designated the 5th of September, the anniversary of the death of Mother Teresa, as the International Day of Charity.
More information at: http://www.un.org/en/events/charityday/
Sunday, 6 th September 2015
Sunday, 6 th September 2015 Today is Start of 'Migraine Awareness Week' (see Monday, 7 th - 12 th)

Monday, 7 th September 2015
This week 'Migraine Awareness Week 2015' (-12th)
Migraine is the most common neurological condition. It affects people of all ages, social classes, races and cultures. Two thirds of sufferers are women, and all migraineurs are more likely to experience migraine between the ages of 20 - 50 years. A migraine attack can last from 4 to 72 hours, with most migraineurs keeping well between attacks. Visit the website to discover five ways you can support Migraine Action Week 2015:
http://www.migraine.org.uk/get-involved/migraine-awareness-week
Reminders – next week (starting 14/9): Sexual Health Week, Know Your Numbers – Blood Pressure Awareness Week, Balance Awareness Week
In approximately one month: Dyslexia Awareness Week (5 th – 11 th Oct), World Sight Day (8/10)

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Today is 'International Literacy Day'
Let's show our communities the importance of literacy by joining us in a global celebration of International Literacy Day. Help us bring communities around the world together to act as a united voice to raise awareness for those who cannot read or write. This day gives children and communities a chance to rediscover the joy of reading all while battling illiteracy.
More information at: http://internationalliteracyday.org/
Reminders:
In one week - World Lymphoma Day (15/9) In one month - World Sight Day (8/10)

Wednesday, 9 th September 2015
Today is 'Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders Awareness Day'
Alcohol in pregnancy can cause a lifetime of problems for you and your child. No matter how small the amount of alcohol consumed, there is a great risk of harming your unborn baby. Stay aware. Stay away from alcohol.
More information at: http://www.fasaware.co.uk

Thursday, 10th September 2015

Multifaith today: (-17th) Paryushan (Jain)

The most important Jain festival of the year

Today is 'World Suicide Prevention Day'
Join with the International Association for Suicide Prevention and the World Health Organisation to focus public attention on the unacceptable burden and costs of suicidal behaviours with diverse activities to promote understanding about suicide and highlight effective prevention activities.
More information at: https://www.iasp.info/wspd/index.php
Reminder – in one month: World Mental Health Day (10/10)

Ofsted and inspection notification
Notification for all types of further education and skills inspections will normally take place up to two working days before the inspection unless the inspection is unannounced. Ofsted reserves the right to carry out unannounced inspections or visits.
Reminders:
In one week - Jeans For Genes Day (18/9) Next month:
Start of Face Your Fears Week (12/10) and Dyspraxia Awareness Week (11/10)

Friday, 11th September 2015

Saturday, 12 th September 2015	5
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Sunday, 13 th September 2015 Multifaith today: (-15 th) Rosh Hashanah (Jewish) The Jewish New Year festival and commemorates the creation of the world)
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Monday, 14 th September 2015
This week
'Sexual Health Week': Sexual and reproductive health rights should be non-discriminatory and are integral to people's resilience to enjoy sexual health http://www.fpa.org.uk/campaigns/sexual-health-week
'Know Your Numbers – Blood Pressure Awareness Week': Each year, over 1,500 "Pressure Stations" offer free blood pressure checks across the UK, enabling over 100,000 people to get a free blood pressure check. http://www.bloodpressureuk.org/microsites/kyn/Home/AboutKYN/KYN2015
'Balance Awareness Week': The aim of the week is to raise awareness of vestibular disorders, help people find the support they need and encourage vital research into these conditions. http://www.menieres.org.uk/
Reminders – in one week (21/9): International Day of Peace, World Alzheimer's Day, National Eye Health Week

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Today is 'World Lymphoma Day'
Lymphoma is currently the fifth most common cancer diagnosed by clinicians in the UK (after breast, lung, colon and prostate cancers). It is the most common blood cancer. Lymphoma can occur at any age. It is the most common cancer affecting those under the age of 30 and around 1 in 10 cancers diagnosed in children are lymphomas.
More information at: http://www.lymphoma.org.uk/

Wednesday, 16 th September 2015	

Ofsted and inspection – the four-point scale Inspectors use the following four-point scale to make all judgements, including, where applicable, on the effectiveness of the different types of provision offered: Grade 1: Outstanding Grade 2: Good Grade 3: Requires improvement Grade 4: Inadequate Reminder - In one month: World Food Day (16/10)

Thursday, 17th September 2015

Multifaith today: Ganesh Charurthi (Hindu)

Celebrates the birth of Ganesh, god of wisdom and prosperity

Inspection planning Did you know?
The information the lead inspector will wish to see or discuss prior to inspection includes:
 The current numbers of disabled learners or those with special educational needs and the number of learners for whom high-needs funding is received
 Access to the logs that record complaints, incidents of poor behaviour, racist incidents and incidents of bullying or those relating to radicalisation or extremism

Friday, 18 th September 2015
Today is 'Jeans For Genes Day'
Raises money for Genetic Disorders UK and aims to change the world for children with genetic disorders. Individually, genetic disorders are rare but together they affect 1 in 25 children born in the UK - that's more than 30,000 babies each year. Their associated health problems mean that genetic disorders are the biggest cause of death of children aged 14 years and under.
More info at: http://www.jeansforgenesday.org/aboutjeansforgenesday/
Reminders – in approximately one week:
World's Biggest Coffee Morning (25/9) European Day of Languages, World Contraception Day (26/9)

Saturday, 19 th September 2015
Sunday, 20 th September 2015

Monday, 21st September 2015
Today is 'International Day of Peace'
Also known as the World Peace Day, this day is dedicated to peace, and specifically the absence of war. This was first celebrated in 1981. This day provides an opportunity for individuals, organisations and nations to create practical acts of peace on a shared date.
More information at: internationaldayofpeace.org
And 'World Alzheimer's Day'
The theme for World Alzheimer's Month 2015 is 'Remember Me'. We're encouraging people all around the world to learn to spot the signs of dementia, but also not to forget about loved ones who are living with dementia, or those who may have passed away. The impact of September's campaign is growing, but the stigmatisation and misinformation that surrounds dementia remains a global problem.
More information at: http://www.alz.co.uk/world-alzheimers-month
And The start of 'National Eye Health Week' (see Tuesday)

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This week 'National Eye Health Week' (21st – 27th)
Once again, eye care charities, organisations and health professionals from across the UK are joining together to promote the importance of eye health and the need for regular sight tests for all. Vision really matters. Sight is the sense people fear losing the most, yet many of us don't know the best way to look after our eyes.
More information at: http://www.visionmatters.org.uk
Reminder – In one week: World Heart Day (29/9)

Wednesday, 23 rd September 2015
Multifaith today:
Eid-al-Adha (Islam) Commemorates Ibrahim's (Abraham's) willingness to sacrifice his son to God
Yom Kippur (Jewish) Translates as the Day of Atonement, the holiest date in the Jewish calendar
Autumn Equinox (Pagan) Day and night are of equal length, the final festival of the harvest season
Ofsted - Seeking the views of learners, parents and carers, and employers
Learners' views are central to inspection. It is therefore important that all learners have the opportunity to express their views to inspectors. This also applies to employers and any other key stakeholders. Inspectors will consider the views of learners, parents and carers, and employers as part of the risk assessment process.
Reminder - In one month: Wear it Pink (23/10)

Thursday, 24th September 2015

Learner View Did you know?
Ofsted use the online system 'Learner View' enabling them to get a quick and accurate feel of learners views. Some inspections provoke a huge response. Respondents to Ofsted's online surveys are able to complete these at any time during the year.
What would learners say about your provision in relation to equality, diversity and inclusion?
Reminders – in one week (1/10): UK Older People's Day, Black History Month, Stoptober, Breast Cancer Awareness Month, National Cholesterol Month, Make a Difference Month.

Friday, 25 th September 2015
Today is The 'World's Biggest Coffee Morning'
Across the country, and in several other parts of the world, thousands of people hold or attend coffee mornings to raise money for people affected by cancer. The money you raise at your Coffee Morning will help make sure no one has to face cancer alone. Sign up for your free Coffee Morning Kit, filled with everything you need to host a brilliant get together. More info at: http://coffee.macmillan.org.uk/Home.aspx#.U2IJXD9OWUk

Today is 'European Day of Languages'
There are over 6000 languages spoken in the world. And behind each and every one of them lies a rich and diverse culture. That's what the European Day of Languages (EDL) aims to celebrate - by showing people across Europe how important languages are, and what fun can be had learning them.
Today is 'World Contraception Day'
World Contraception Day (WCD) is a worldwide campaign with a vision for a world where every pregnancy is wanted. The aim is to improve awareness of contraception to enable young people to make informed decisions on sexual and reproductive health.
http://www.your-life.com/en/home/world contraception day/
Sunday, 27 th September 2015
Multifaith today: (-4th October) Sukkot (Jewish)
Remembers the Israelites' 40 years of exile in the desert, before reaching the promised land

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Inspecting the quality of teaching, learning and assessment
Ofsted has no preferred teaching style. Inspectors judge the quality of teaching by its impact on learning. Providers are not expected to use the Ofsted evaluation schedule to evaluate teaching or individual lessons, or to undertake a specified amount of lesson observations. Teaching staff should plan their lessons as usual. Ofsted does not specify how lesson plans should be set out or the amount of detail they should contain. Inspectors will not grade observations of learning sessions or assessments. Reminder - In one week: Dyslexia Awareness Week (5th – 11th Oct)
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Today is 'World Heart Day'
A chance for people across the globe to take part in the world's biggest intervention against cardiovascular disease (CVD). This World Heart Day, our focus is on creating heart-healthy environments. By ensuring that people are able to make heart-healthy choices wherever they live, work and play, World Heart Day encourages us all to reduce our cardiovascular risk, and promotes a heart-healthy planet for those around us. More information at:
http://www.world-heart-federation.org/what-we-do/awareness/world-heart-day-2015/

Wednesday, 30 th September 2015
Ofsted, inspection and the use of data
Inspectors will discuss the achievement of different groups of learners, such as those previously eligible for free school meals, young people in care, those eligible for high-needs funding and disabled learners or those with special educational needs.
Inspectors will evaluate learners' progress compared with their starting points, based on their rate of learning, acquisition of knowledge and skills and whether they have achieved their individualised, challenging targets.

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