

# Preview: May, 2016



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. May material includes:

- What is 'deafness'?
- Where does 'freedom of speech' end and 'hate crime' potentially begin?
- What is 'homophobia'?
- Perceptions and experiences of sexual orientation and gender identity amongst learners in post-school education
- Tackling hate-crime
- What do we mean by 'inclusive learning'?

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



## World Day for Cultural Diversity and for Dialogue and Development

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2016

Launched in 2002, this day provides us with an opportunity to deepen our understanding of the values of cultural diversity and to learn to live together better. The 'Do One Thing For Diversity and Inclusion' campaign was launched to raise awareness about intercultural dialogue, build a world community and combat polarisation.

## International Day Against Homophobia

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May, 2016



IDAHO exists to provoke action to end homophobia.



Also this month:

1 <sup>st</sup>	Action on Stroke Month begins
3 <sup>rd</sup>	National Walking Month begins
9 <sup>th</sup>	World Press Freedom Day
11 <sup>th</sup>	World Asthma Day
31 <sup>st</sup>	Europe Day
	Mental Health Awareness Week
	World No Tobacco Day



## Multifaith Dates – May, 2016

1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Easter Day (Orthodox Church)</b> The most sacred time of year for the Orthodox Church, beginning with Great Lent.
	<b>Beltane (Pagan)</b> A fire festival which celebrates the arrival of summer and the fertility of the coming year.
3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>Lailat al Miraj (Islam)</b> Commemorates the Prophet Muhammad's nighttime journey from Mecca to Jerusalem.
5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Ascension Day (Christian)</b> Celebrates the day when Jesus Christ is said to have ascended bodily into heaven.
15 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Vesak / Buddha Day (Buddhist)</b> The major festival of the year for Buddhists from the Theravada tradition.
	<b>Pentecost (Christian)</b> Celebrate the day when the Holy Spirit is said to have descended on Jesus's Apostles.
21 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Lailat al Bara'a (Islam)</b> Takes place two weeks before Ramadan. Muslims pray and ask God for forgiveness for their sins.
22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>Trinity Sunday (Christian)</b> Christians celebrate the belief in three aspects of the one God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
24 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Declaration of the Báb (Bahá'í)</b> Bahá'ís remember the day in 1844, when the Báb foretold the coming of a new messenger from God.
26 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Corpus Christi (Christian)</b> 'Corpus Christi' is a Latin phrase that means 'body of Christ'.

“For to be free is not merely to cast off one’s chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others”

# May

Nelson Mandela, *Anti-Apartheid Revolutionary, Politician and Philanthropist (1918-2013)*

- Equality Planner 2016 -

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2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bank Holiday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup>	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>
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- Driving diversity, embedding equality -































































