



Dear Parents and Carers,

Where has the year gone! We are now into the months of July and August, we may be finishing school in a few weeks' time for the Summer holiday but, there is still so much to do and share about Science. Here are some more dates for the calendar:



July 10th 2026 is 'Don't Step on a Bee Day'. Bees are essential to our survival and play a big role in balancing our ecosystem. Bees are great pollinators, produce honey and give us food. This day in The United Kingdom marks the important existence of these insects and the work they do. Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.awarenessdays.com/awareness-days-calendar/dont-step-on-a-bee-day-2024/#:~:text=Don't%20Step%20on%20a%20Bee%20Day%20is%20an%20annual,safe%20and%20bee%20friendly%20environments>



July 14th 2026 is 'Shark awareness day'. It is an opportunity to champion sharks and create positive change for some of the ocean's greatest wonders. For a long time, sharks were misunderstood and vilified. But, this outdated view is fading fast. Over the past 20 years we've seen a huge positive shift in attitudes towards sharks. Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.sharktrust.org/blog/shark-awareness-day>



July 29th 2026 is the 'Buck Moon'. Male deer, which shed their antlers every year, begin to regrow them in July, hence the Native American name for July's full moon. Some refer to this moon as the thunder moon, due to the summer storms in this month. Other names include the hay moon, after the July hay harvest. Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.space.com/16830-full-moon-calendar.html>



29th July 2026 is 'International Tiger Day'. International Tiger Day is celebrated every year to raise awareness about the conservation of tigers. Tigers, listed as an endangered species in many regions worldwide, face numerous threats to their survival, including habitat loss and poaching. Countries all over the world celebrate this day as a comprehensive effort to protect tigers and their natural habitat at a global level. International Tiger Day is celebrated so that humans and tigers can coexist harmoniously. Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.daysoftheyear.com/days/international-tiger-day/>



August 12th 2026 is 'World Elephant Day'. World Elephant Day is a rallying call for people to support organisations that are working to stop the illegal poaching and trade of elephant ivory and other wildlife products, protect wild elephant habitat, and provide sanctuaries and alternative habitats for domestic elephants to live freely. Please follow the link below for more information:

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Elephant_Day



August 19th 2026 is 'International Orangutan Day'. On this day we can learn and raise awareness about the smart, beautiful but endangered primates. Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.daysoftheyear.com/days/international-orangutan-day/>



August 28th 2026 is a 'Sturgeon Moon'. This is a full moon in August and the name comes from the fact it was easier to catch the sturgeon fish in the lakes during August. Please follow the link below for more information:

<https://www.space.com/39238-full-moon-names.html>



★ August 26th 2026 is 'National Dog Day'. This day celebrates all breeds of dog. It pays tribute
★ to the dogs that work selflessly to bring comfort, keep us safe and save lives. Please follow the link below for more
★ information:

★ <https://www.nationaldogday.com/>



★ August 29th-30th 2026 is 'International Bat Night'. This celebration of bats is held by bat
★ groups and the Bat Conservation Trust. Please follow the link below for more information:

★ <https://www.eurobats.org/international-bat-night>

★ Kind regards,

★ **The Science Team**