

SEPTEMBER

OCTOBER

NOVEMBER



Suggested Theme Days:

- Roald Dahl Day (13th)
- British Food Fortnight (w/c 26th)

Other Events

BNF Snack-tember

Seasonal Food Hero

- Broccoli
- Butternut Squash





Suggested Theme Days:

- National Pasta Day (17th)
- National Heroes Day (Jamaica) (21st)
- Halloween (31st)
- Diwali (20th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Pumpkin
- Beetroot
- Courgette





Suggested Theme Days:

- Bonfire Night (5th)
- National School Meals Week (11th - 15th)
- World Kindness Day (13th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Apple
- Leek



DECEMBER

JANUARY



Suggested Theme Days:

- Christmas (25th)
- Christmas Jumper Day (12th)
- Gingerbread Day

Seasonal Food Hero

- Sprouts
- Cranberries





Suggested Theme Days:

- Winnie the Pooh Day (18th)
- Burns Night (25th)
- Chocolate Cake Day (27th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Pears
- Swede





FEBRUARY



Suggested Theme Days:

- National Pizza Day (9th)
- Chinese New Year (w/c 17th)
- Valentine's Day (14th)
- Pancake Day (17th)
- Winter Olympics (6th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Cauliflower
- Parsnips



MARCH



Suggested Theme Days:

- St Patricks Day (17th)
- World Book Day (5th)

Other Events

 Global Recycling Day (18th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Orange
- Rhubarb



APRIL



Suggested Theme Days:

- National Make Lunch Count Day (13th)
- Earth Day (22nd)
- Easter (5th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Cabbage
- New Potatoes



MAY JUNE JULY



Suggested Theme Days:

- International Harry Potter Day (2nd)
- National BBQ Week (25th)
- National Biscuit Day (29th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Peas
- Peppers





Suggested Theme Days:

- Fish & Chip Day (5th)
- FIFA Football World Cup (w/c 11th)

Other Events

- World Environment Day (5th)
- World Oceans Day (8th)

Seasonal Food Hero

- Carrots
- Cucumber



Suggested Theme Days:

- Wimbledon (w/c 26th)
- American Independence Day (4th July)
- National Macaroni Day (7th)
- Teddy Bears Picnic
 - Seasonal Food Hero
- Peach
- Tomatoes





See below calendar of alternative theme days & awareness months (please note these may not be available on Sharepoint unless we are specifically asked for them as many schools do not do these theme days. You are welcome to make your own or request a menu template from the Nutrition Team.

Month	Date	Theme Day
		2025
September 2025	1 st - 7 th	Zero Waste Week
	15 th Sept - 15 th Oct	Hispanic Heritage Month
	w/c 26 th Sept	British Food Fortnight
	21 st	International Day of Peace
	25 th	National Cooking Day
	Whole of October	Black History Month
	5 th	World Teacher's Day
October 2025	10 th	World Mental Health Day
	14 th - 20 th	National Baking Week
	11 th	Remembrance Day
November	13 th	World Kindness Day
2025	27 th	Thanksgiving
	30 th	St Andrew's Day
December 2025	2 nd	English Breakfast Day
	8 th	National Brownie Day (brownie cookies)
		2026
January 2026	Whole of January	Veganuary
	First Week Feb	World Interfaith Harmony Week (first week February every
		year)
	2 nd - 8 th	Children's Mental Health Week
February 2026	9 th	National Pizza Day
	18 th	Ash Wednesday (Christian)
	15 th	Parinirvana (Nirvana) Day (Buddhist)
	17 ^{th -} 18 th March	Ramadan
March 2026	1 st	St David's Day
	8 th	International Women's Day
	4 th	Holi - Festival of Colours (Hindu)
	17 th	St Patrick's Day
	22 nd	World Water Day
	20 th	Eid al-Fitr
April 2026	March - April	Spring Picnic Menu
	23 rd	St George's Day & Shakespeare Day
May 2026	Whole of May	National Walking Month
	5 th	Cinco de Mayo (Mexican celebration)
	1 st	Wesak Day (Buddhist)



	12 th	International Falafel Day
June 2026	16 th	Islamic New Year
	18 th	International Picnic Day
	Whole of July	Plastic Free July NEW
July 2026	19 th	National Ice Cream Day
	20 th	Moon Landing Anniversary

Other educational resources: these can be sent out to schools at any time of the year.

Food Fact Posters:

The food fact posters can be used throughout the year in line with what is on your menu -

these do not have to be used for a certain month.

Lentils
Rice
Chicken
Eggs
Bread
Fish & Oily Fish
Milk
Potatoes
Pasta
Beans
Cocoa





Nutrition Curriculum Worksheets and Factsheets:

These can be sent out to schools to be printed, and either sent home with pupils, used as classroom activities, or sent out via email to parents.

Each pack will come with a factsheet on one of the topics to the left and at least one worksheet:

- **Balanced Diets**
- Wholemeal Foods
- Sustainability
- Global Foods
- Fruit and Vegetables
- Food Waste
- Where Food Comes From
- Carbohydrates, Fat and Protein





Nutrition and Cookery Lesson Plans:

All presentations can be used in lessons or assemblies.

Our nutrition and development chef team can deliver these, or otherwise all come with teacher notes so that teachers can deliver them to their classes!

The below brochures can be found on Sharepoint and lists out all of the topics that the nutrition and cookery lessons cover. It also details the suitable length, age group and class size for each lesson, as well as any additional requirements.



Additional Marketing for Schools:

We have a wide range of additional marketing for schools such as:

- promoting the benefits of a school meal
- comparing school meals and packed lunches
- sustainable eating tips for at home

