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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		<p>1 New Year's Day</p> <p>Latin – Who was the Roman God Janus? The Myth of Janus: God of Beginnings and Time - Roman Mythology</p>	<p>2 Psychology/ learning</p> <p>Why do we not improve when we are trying really hard?</p> <p>When performing gets in the way of improving Eduardo Briceño TEDxManhattanBeach</p>	<p>3 Reading Challenge 2026 The National Year of Reading: Watch this video: National Year of Reading 2026 Go All In Then complete the Challenge – write a review of something you have read and loved.</p> <p>Send your review to Mrs Lindsay</p>	<p>4 World Braille Day</p> <p>Originally devised for the French Army but a revolution for the blind: what is braille and who invented it? The History of Braille [Your Braille Resource] - Braille Works</p>	<p>5 Twelfth Night</p> <p>Traditionally a topsy turvey day of change and mischief:</p> <p>Information on the current production at the RSC which ends its run this month Twelfth Night Royal Shakespeare Company</p>
<p>6 Epiphany</p> <p>What is Epiphany and why do we celebrate it?</p>	<p>7 Computer Science</p> <p>AI – a revolution Royal Institution Christmas Lectures - 2023: Professor Mike Wooldridge - The Truth about AI: 1. How to Build an Intelligent Machine - Signed - BBC iPlayer</p>	<p>8 Politics - USA Politics</p> <p>After the American Revolution, this is the anniversary of the first State of the Union Address – but what is it? President Washington's FIRST State of the Union Address</p>	<p>9 Maths</p> <p>Choose your level of challenge on these activities provided by Cambridge University Transformations NRICH</p>	<p>10 Geography</p> <p>Did you make any New Year's Resolutions. Here are the top 5 sustainable resolutions TOP 5 Sustainable New Year's Resolutions for 2025 - YouTube</p>	<p>11 Science</p> <p>Sir David Attenborough Presents: Breaking Boundaries: The Science of Our Planet Doc Preview</p>	<p>12 Food</p> <p>What to eat in January? Traditional and seasonal recipes:</p> <p>The seasonal recipes we're cooking in January</p>
<p>13 Maths</p> <p>Extend your mathematical thinking with these problems: Thinking Mathematically - Short Problems NRICH</p>	<p>14 Science</p> <p>Fun experiments to do at home with your parents on changes of states</p> <p>8 Hands-On Experiments to Teach Kids About Chemical Reactions - Owlcation</p>	<p>15 PE</p> <p>Watch this video on the theory of marginal gains- tiny changes in performance with big results: Sir Dave Brailsford - CORE Principle and Marginal Gains</p>	<p>16 Ted Youth Talk</p> <p>Outgrowing the fear of change Outgrowing the Fear of Change Patricia Ulina TEDxYouth@SVP</p>	<p>17 Politics – Gresham Short Lecture</p> <p>This is a key question in the A Level – but it affects our everyday lives Considering the last decade, has the UK Constitution worked or does it need reform? Gresham College</p>	<p>18 French - Culture</p> <p>Today begins the truffle festival – but what is it? Why Sarlat France is the most visited medieval town in January</p>	<p>19 Find out about the world's major religions</p> <p>The 10 Largest Religions in the World - WorldAtlas</p> 
<p>20 History</p> <p>Martin Luther King, Jr: Crash Course Black American History #36</p>  <p>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</p>	<p>21 English</p> <p>Revolutionary women writers – a selection of important authors who have left a lasting impact: Revolutionary Women Writers</p>	<p>22 Spanish - Culture</p> <p>January is a month with many festivals – find out about some of them here: January Festivals in Spain - The Best Fiesta Guide</p>	<p>23 Music</p> <p>Stephen Schwartz explains his compositions for the new film</p> <p>Wicked soundtrack: who composed it and what are the famous songs? - Classic FM</p>	<p>24 International Day of Education</p> <p>Psychology Try watching this video about learning: Peggy Andover: The difference between classical and operant conditioning TED Talk</p>	<p>25 Burns Night - Dance</p> <p>Burns Night has traditional dances – Burns Night - Scottish Country Dancing Videos</p>	<p>26 Your Opinion: Should Schools be phone free zones?</p> <p>Fight begins to make mobile-free schools law - BBC News</p> <p>Have your say – submit your point of view to Mrs Lindsay by 31 January</p>
<p>27 Holocaust memorial day</p> <p>Watch this episode to see Judge Rinder's family history</p> <p>Who Do You Think You Are? - Series 15: 7. Robert Rinder - BBC iPlayer</p> 	<p>28 Biology/ food</p> <p>Royal Institution Christmas Lectures - 2024: Chris van Tulleken - The Truth About Food: 1. From Taste Buds to Toilet - BBC iPlayer</p>	<p>29 Physics</p> <p>What are stars made of? the answer that changed Physics forever What are stars made of? A century ago, this woman found out—and changed physics forever</p>	<p>30 History - Find out more about one of the important event sand their consequences on this day in History – send any work to Mrs Fretwell</p> <p>King Charles I executed 1649; Adolf Hitler appointed Chancellor in Germany 1933; Ghandi assassinated in India, 1943, The Tet Offensive began in Vietnam 1968; Bloody Sunday 1972; Watergate 1973.</p>	<p>31 Maths</p> <p>Solving the Ancient Camel Puzzle: A 3,500-Year-Old Mathematical Trick Gresham College</p>		