



KEY EVENTS CALENDAR 2024

JANUARY

- 24:** International Day of Education
- 26:** Australia Day / Survival Day

FEBRUARY

- 7:** Blessed Rosalie Rendu Feast Day
- 14:** Ash Wednesday
- 20:** World Day of Social Justice

MARCH

- 1:** Zero Discrimination Day
- 8:** International Women's Day
- 21:** Harmony Day
- 29:** Good Friday
- 31:** Easter Sunday

APRIL

- 11-21:** NSW Youth Week
- 25:** ANZAC Day

MAY

- 9:** St Louise de Marillac Feast Day
- 20-26:** National Volunteer Week
- 26:** National Sorry Day
- 27 May-3 June:** National Reconciliation Week

JUNE

- 27 May-3 June:** National Reconciliation Week
- 5:** World Environment Day
- 16-22:** Refugee Week
- 20:** World Refugee Day

JULY

- 7-14:** NAIDOC Week
- 30:** International Day of Friendship

AUGUST

- 4:** National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day
- 5-11:** Homelessness Week
- 9:** International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples
- 12:** International Youth Day
- 16:** National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence
- 25:** Social Justice Sunday

SEPTEMBER

- 9:** Blessed Frederic Ozanam Feast Day
- 12:** R U OK? Day
- 21:** International Day of Peace
- 27:** St Vincent de Paul Feast Day

OCTOBER

- 10:** World Mental Health Day
- 13-19:** Anti-Poverty Week
- 17:** International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

NOVEMBER

- 13:** World Kindness Day

DECEMBER

- 3:** International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 5:** International Volunteer Day
- 10:** Human Rights Day
- 25:** Christmas Day

KEY EVENT ACTION PLANNER

Whether you are raising awareness, fundraising or taking direct action, it is always good to think things through from beginning to end.

Below are some questions to help guide you in the process. Once you have answered these questions, you will be ready to make a step by step plan and take action for the key event you have chosen to support!

| STEP | CONSIDER |
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| 1 WHAT KIND OF ACTION SHOULD YOU TAKE? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What needs to happen to create change or raise awareness for the issue you care about? • What is the purpose of your action? |
| 2 HOW ARE YOU GOING TO TAKE ACTION? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Writing an article in the school newsletter or creating a video for the school's social media page(s) • Performing a dramatization at a school assembly • Starting a petition or writing to your local MP • Planning a fundraiser e.g. bake sale, sausage sizzle, mufti day, auction, trivia etc. For fundraising events, you may like to visit: www.fundraise.vinniesnsw.org.au/fundraise-your-way |
| 3 WHAT IS YOUR GOAL? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How many people do you plan to have attend the event? • How much money do you plan on raising? • How many petition signatures do you plan on getting? • If you are raising awareness, perhaps measure your results through a feedback survey. |
| 4 WHAT IS YOUR TIMEFRAME? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When will you be able to do this? • What is your deadline? • Does your timeframe suit your audience? |
| 5 IS THE GOAL ACHIEVABLE? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do we have enough time? • What are our tasks and who will be in charge of each item? • Who do we need to get permissions, advice and/or assistance from and when do we need this by? |
| 6 WHAT DO YOU NEED? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What supplies do we need and when do we need them by? • Where can we source these from? |

OTHER THINGS TO CONSIDER:

- How are you going to record your action so that people know about it? (Photos, articles, social media).
- Who could review your plan to give advice and ensure you haven't missed something?
- Who will provide encouragement along the way? (And celebrate with you when you've reached your goal!)

To find out if Vinnies NSW is doing anything to support this Key Event, or to request resources, please contact your Vinnies Schools and Youth Engagement Officer:
www.youthnsw.vinnies.org.au/contactus

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