

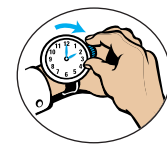


Best of The Reader 2012 Calendar

Special days

January 1 New Year's Day ♦
27 Family Literacy Day 

February 2 Groundhog Day
14 Valentine's Day 

March 8 International Women's Day
11 Daylight Saving Time begins 
17 St. Patrick's Day
20 Spring begins


Spring break for schools (no school)


Most schoolchildren in B.C. have a holiday in March.


Check the dates at your child's school. Some schools have different breaks.




April 1 April Fool's Day
22 Earth Day 


May 13 Mother's Day
21 Victoria Day ♦ 


June 17 Father's Day
20 Summer begins
21 National Aboriginal Day 


July 1 Canada Day ♦ 

August 6 B.C. Day ♦ 








September 3 Labour Day ♦
8 International Literacy Day
9 Grandparent's Day
22 Fall begins 

October 8 Thanksgiving Day ♦
16 World Food Day
31 Halloween 

November 4 Daylight Saving Time ends
11 Remembrance Day ♦ 

December 21 Winter begins
26 Boxing Day 

Holy days and festivals

World religions	Followers	Symbol
Baha'i Faith	Baha'is	
Buddhism	Buddhists	
Christianity	Christians	
Hinduism	Hindus	
Islam	Muslims	
Judaism	Jews	
Sikhism	Sikhs	

January 7 ✚ Christmas (EO)*
23 ☉ Chinese, Vietnamese, and Korean Lunar New Year (Year of the Dragon)

March 7 🕍 Purim begins
8 🌺 Holi

April 6 🕍 Pesah or Passover begins
6 ✚ Good Friday ♦ (W)
8 ✚ Easter (W)
13 ✚ Holy Friday (E)
14 🕉 Vaisakhi
14 🌺 Vaisakhi
15 ✚ Pascha (E)
21 🌸 Ridvan begins

May 6 ☉ Wesak
23 🌸 Declaration of the Bab
27 ✚ Pentecost (W)

June 3 ✚ Pentecost (E)
16 🕉 Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Ji
16 ☾ Mi'raj al-Nabiy begins

July 4 ☾ Nisf Shaban
9 🌸 Martyrdom of the Bab
20 ☾ Ramadan begins

August 14 ☾ Laylat al-Qadr begins
19 ☾ Eid al-Fitr

September 1 🕉 First Parkash
16 🕍 Rosh Hashanah begins
25 🕍 Yom Kippur begins
30 🕍 Sukkot begins

October 8 🕍 Simhat Torah begins
20 🌸 Birth of the Bab
25 ☾ Day of Hajj
26 ☾ Eid al-Adha

November 13 🌺 Diwali
15 ☾ First of Muharram
24 🕉 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur Ji
24 ☾ Ashura
28 🕉 Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Ji

December 8 🕍 Hanukkah begins
25 ✚ Christmas ♦ (W) (EN)

♦ **statutory holiday in BC**

Adapted from *Multifaith Calendar 2012* (Multifaith Action Society) • Religious symbols courtesy *Multifaith Calendar* • Art: Guy Parsons

Christian calendars
EO means Eastern Old Calendar, EN means Eastern New Calendar, W means Western Calendar

Note: There are many other religions and holy days. We are sorry we do not have space for all of them.