

January- It's A New Year!

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National Spaghetti Day - Jan 4th

Activities:

[How To Build a Spaghetti Bridge](#) – School Aged

[Spaghetti Anyone? Building With Pasta \(NASA Learning\)](#) – K-8

[Build a Spaghetti Marshmallow Tower](#) – PreK

Books to Read:

[Shy Spaghetti and Excited Eggs: A Kid's Menu of Feelings](#) – Nemiroff, Marc A

[Stick Dog Slurps Spaghetti](#) – Watson, Tom

[Spaghetti in a Hot Dog Bun: Having the Courage to Be Who You Are](#) – Dismondy, Maria

National Spaghetti Day:

National Spaghetti Day is an annual celebration honouring one of the world's favourite and most versatile dishes, spaghetti. The Observance provides an opportunity for amateur cooks and professional chefs alike, to appreciate the culinary delight that spaghetti offers. Utilized in countless recipes across the globe, spaghetti ranges from simple comfort food to gourmet extravaganzas, linking it to a wide array of cultural cuisines.



Winnie the Pooh Day - Jan 18th

(Celebrated on author A. A. Milne's birthday, Winnie the Pooh Day celebrates the beloved honey-obsessed bear with readings and teddy bear's picnics.)

Activities:

PreK- [Bear More or Less Activity](#)

Elementary – [Science for Winnie the Pooh Day](#)

All Ages – [Polar Bear Science Experiment](#)

Books to Read:

[Winnie-the-Pooh](#) by Milne, A.A.

[365 Days With Winnie the Pooh](#) by Ferguson, Don

[The Natural World of Winnie-the-Pooh](#) by Aalto, Kathryn

Interesting Facts About Winnie the Pooh

- The story was inspired by A.A. Milne's son Christopher Robin
- The real Winnie the Pooh was a female bear
- Many of the characters in Winnie the Pooh were based on stuffed animals. The original stuffed animals can still be seen on display in New York Public Library's Stephen A. Schwarzman Building



National Pie Day - Jan 23rd

Activities:

[Peel to Stem Apple Pie – Middle School](#)

[The Science Behind Pies: How to Bake Any Kind of Pie – School Age](#)

[Ancient Cooking: Pi€ Day and the Science of Baking – Middle School](#)

Books to Read:

[I Know An Old Lady Who Swallowed A Pie – Jackson, Alison](#)

[Amelia Bedelia's First Apple Pie – Parish, Herman](#)

[How To Bake an Apple Pie – Reagan, Jean](#)

National Pie Day

National Pie Day is a celebration that pays tribute to one of the oldest and most popular forms of baked goods. Embracing the universality of pies and their rich diversity across the globe, this observance gives people an opportunity to savor their favourite pie variations and even explore new ones. This annual event commemorates the rich history, cultural significance, and culinary joy that pies bring, by fostering appreciation for this universally loved dish.



National Hot Chocolate Day - Jan 31st

Activities:

[Hot Chocolate Science Experiment](#) – School Aged

[Hot Chocolate Slime](#) - Ages 5 – 9

[Hot Chocolate Marshmallow Science Experiment](#) – Ages 7 - 11

Books to Read:

[Do Frogs Drink Hot Chocolate?: How Animals Keep Warm](#) – Kaner, Etta

[From Cocoa Beans to Chocolate](#), Heos, Bridget

[I Love Chocolate](#), Cali, Davide

National Hot Chocolate Day:

National Hot Chocolate Day is an annual celebration that takes place on January 31st in Canada. This day is dedicated to enjoying a warm and cozy cup of hot chocolate, a delicious treat that has been enjoyed for centuries. The purpose of National Hot Chocolate Day is to celebrate this beloved beverage and encourage people to savour its rich and indulgent flavour.

