

Significant days for planning member events

There are many national and international dates that are significant for women and that you may be able to incorporate into your annual event planning in your branch.

**FEBRUARY
- MARCH**

Red Bag Day/ (Un)Equal Pay Day

(Women have been 'in the red' up until this date due to the gender pay gap - check date each year for NZ).

**11th
FEBRUARY**

International Day of Women and Girls in Science

www.un.org/en/observances/women-and-girls-in-science-day

**8th
MARCH**

International Women's Day

www.worldenvironmentday.global/
(See guide in toolkit)

**22nd
APRIL**

World Earth Day

www.earthday.org/

**28th
APRIL**

World Day for Safety and Health at Work, promoted by the ILO

wellplace.nz/event-calendar/world-day-of-health-and-safety-at-work/

MAY

Pink Shirt Day

To progress the elimination of bullying. The specific date varies year to year, see website: pinkshirtday.org.nz/

**24th
MAY**

International Women's day for Peace and Disarmament

www.peacewomen.org/

**5th
JUNE**

World Environment Day

www.worldenvironmentday.global/

**19th
JUNE
- 21st
JULY**

Matariki celebrations occur over a different week each year (check dates each year)

www.twoa.ac.nz/hononga-stay-connected/te-iwa-o-matariki?sc_lang=en#when-to-observe-matariki

**9th
AUGUST**

International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples

www.un.org/en/observances/indigenous-day

**19th
SEPTEMBER**

Suffrage day in Aotearoa

(See guide in toolkit)

**OCTOBER
- NOVEMBER**

(Un)equal Pay Day

Each year women work for free from a date during these months until the end of the year due to the gender pay gap - check date each year.

**5th
OCTOBER**

World Teacher's Day

en.unesco.org/commemorations/worldteachersday

**11th
OCTOBER**

International Day of the Girl Child

www.un.org/en/events/girlchild/

**15th
OCTOBER**

International Day of Rural Women

www.un.org/en/events/ruralwomenday/

**25th
NOVEMBER**

International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women

www.un.org/en/events/endviolenceday/

**1st
- 30th
NOVEMBER**

White Ribbon events are often held in November

whiteribbon.org.nz/

**10th
DECEMBER**

Human Rights Day

www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day