

2024 Events Calendar

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
National Celebrations	1 Jan New Years Day	10 Feb Chinese New Year 14 Feb Valentine's Day 21 Feb Shrove Tuesday	8 March Intl Women's Day 17 March St Patrick's Day 10 March Mothering Sunday 10 March- 9 April Ramadan 29 March Good Friday 31 March Easter Sunday	1 April April Fool's Day & Easter Monday 22-30 April Passover 23 April St George's Day	6 May Bank Holiday 8 May Bank Holiday 27 May Spring Bank Holiday	6 June National Commemoration 80th Anniversary of D-Day  18 June Father's Day		26 August Bank Holiday	451st Anniversary Queen Elizabeth I's visit to Canterbury (7 Sept)  End Sept: Student Welcome Event Comedy? Shopping? Exploring?	31 October Halloween	1 November All Saints Day 10 November Remembrance Sunday 29 November Black Friday	2 December Cyber Monday 25 December-2 January Hanukkah 24-26 December Christmas Eve/Day & Boxing Day 31 December New Years Eve
National awareness campaigns / <a href="#">Key Spending Days (according to 2023 UK customer spending report)</a>	15 Jan Blue Monday	17 Feb Random Acts of Kindness 20 Feb Love Your Pet Day 22 Feb National Margarita Day	18 March Global Recycling Day 20 March National Proposal Day 17 March Comic Relief	29 April - 5 May National Gardening Week	4 May Star Wars Day 20 May World Bee Day 29 May National Biscuit Day	5 June World Environment Day 8-16 June The Great Big Green Week 15-23 June English Wine Week	1 - 31 July Plastic Free July 7 July World Chocolate Day 16 July World Ice Cream Day 25 July National Wine & Cheese Day 28 Jul - 6 Aug Love Your Parks Week	3 August Cycle to work day 4 August National Chocolate Chip Cookie Day 4 August National Beer Day 12-18 August Afternoon Tea Week 13 August National Prosecco Day 17 August National Cupcake Day 24 August National Hamburger Day	20 September <a href="#">Key Spending Day</a>	1 October International Coffee Day 21-27 October Recycle week		8 December Christmas Jumper Day 22 December <a href="#">Key Spending Day</a>
University Events	10 Jan UKC Open Day 13 Jan CCCU Postgrad Answers Evening 26 Jan CCCU Graduation		13 March CCCU Answers day 21 March CCCU Graduation 21-22 March CCCU Award Ceremonies	20 April UKC Open Day		22 June UKC Open Day	6 July UKC Open Day TBC July UKC Graduation				TBC November UKC Graduation	
School Term Dates (KCC)	2 Jan Schools Return	12-16 Feb Half term Break	29 March- 12 April Easter Break		27-31 May Half term Break		24 July-30 August Summer Break		2 September Back to school	28-31 October Half Term		23 Dec - 3 Jan Christmas Break
Canterbury Events	21 Jan Canterbury 10 Mile Race	6-11 Feb Wizard of Oz, Marlowe 20-21 Feb Sao Paulo Dance, Marlowe 22 Feb Spring Shop & Craft at Happy & Glorious	29 March Walk of Witness 29 March - 5 April Shrek, Marlowe	5 - 30 April New Beginnings @ Happy & Glorious. 15 April Vaisakhi @ Westgate Hall 21 April St Georges Day Parade	4-5 May City Sound Project 17-18 May Canterbury Wine Festival	6 June (TBC) Beacon Lighting as part of 80th Anniversary of D-Day 8-9 June Pride Canterbury, City Centre 16-22 July 101 Damlations, Marlowe 17-22 June Jesus Christ Superstar, Marlowe	6 July Medieval Pageant and Trail, City Centre 20-21 July City Show 16-22 July 101 Damlations, Marlowe	24-25 August bOing! Family Festival University of Kent	6-15 September Heritage Open Days 20-22 September Food and Drink Festival 20 Sept - 4 Oct (tbc) Green Hop Fortnight 14-22 Sept River Fest 24-25 Sept The Qdance, Marlowe	4-5 Oct Oktoberfest 21 Oct - 4 Nov Canterbury Festival City Centre venues October TBC Fright at the Museum Beaney	12-16 Nov Come From Away, Marlowe 15 Nov Christmas Light Parade 15 Nov-24 Dec Christmas Market 18 November Diwali A Festival of Lights 22 Nov - 5 Jan Beauty and the Beast, Marlowe	8 or 15 Nov-24 Dec Christmas Market 22 Nov - 5 Jan Beauty and the Beast, Marlowe December Christmas Services at Canterbury Cathedral 24 December Lord Mayor's Open Air Carol Concert (TBC)
Exhibitions	Dec - 25 Feb Storytellers @ Beaney 13 Jan - 10 Mar Sensing Culture @Front Room	Dec - 25 Feb Storytellers @ Beaney 13 Jan - 10 Mar Sensing Culture @Front Room 10 Feb - 14 April Family Trail: 50 years of Bagpuss	9 Mar - 12 May Living with Art @ Beaney 13 Jan - 10 Mar Sensing Culture @Front Room 10 Feb - 14 April Family Trail: 50 years of Bagpuss	9 Mar - 12 May Living with Art @ Beaney 10 Feb - 14 April Family Trail: 50 years of Bagpuss	9 Mar - 12 May Living with Art @ Beaney	8 June - 18 Aug Canterbury's Aphra Behn	8 June - 18 Aug Canterbury's Aphra Behn	8 June - 18 Aug Canterbury's Aphra Behn		5 Oct - 10 Nov Family Trail Fright at the Museum Halloween	5 Oct - 10 Nov Family Trail Fright at the Museum Halloween	
Markets												
B2C Business Events							3-16 July Wimbledon Screen in Whitefriars (TBC)	August Summer in Whitefriars (music, crafts, kids activities)		26 October (TBC) Kings Mile Trick or Treat 26 October (TBC) Halloween Activities in Whitefriars		
Sports Events	21 Jan Canterbury 10 mile road race	2 Feb - 25 March Rugby Union – Six Nations	9-16 March Rugby Union – Six Nations	11-13 April Grand National 21 April London Marathon	7-11 May Eurovision 12 May FA Women's FA Cup Final	18-22 June Royal Ascot 21-26 June 172nd Cricket Week	1-14 July Wimbledon 5-7 July Formula 1 – Silverstone 26 July - 11Aug Paris Olympics	August TBC Canterbury Cricket Week 26 July - 11Aug Paris Olympics 28 Aug - 8 Sept Paralympics	28 Aug - 8 Sept Paralympics September TBC Women's One Day International, Kent Cricket			
Canterbury Business Anniversaries	10 Years - Pybus Optician											10 Years - The Pound
MyCanterbury Campaigns	Valentines Day	Valentines Day / Mothers Day / 17 Feb-29 March Night Out Campaign	Mothers Day/ Easter Campaign/ 17 Feb-29 March Night Out Campaign	Easter Campaign			Summer of Experineces / Staycations / MyCanterbury card discounts		Queen Elizabeth I's 40th Birthday Party / Student Welcome / Local Produce	Halloween Campaign	Christmas Campaign	
Gift Card Campaigns		ENTE Gift Card Launch	Mother's Day - film campaign interviewing mums		Teacher Gifts	Teacher / Father's Day		Student Gift (Unis)			Christmas Campaign	
BID Campaigns	Training/networking launch	ENTE Awareness Campaign (BBN Awards) / Sustainability and energy savings workshops		Bloom - community activities including litter picks		Medieval Pageant	Summer of Experineces - MyCanterbury card discounts		Student Shopping Event / Local Food / Sustainability	Halloween Monsters / Christmas Lights	Christmas Campaign	
Visit Kent themes												
BID Print			Spring Map (5k)		Summer Guide (20k / 9k door2door)				Autumn Map (5k)		Christmas Guide (20k / 12k door2door)	