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JANUARY 2007

January 1...	New Year's Day
January 3...	Full Moon
January 6...	Epiphany
January 6...	Three Kings Day (Latin America)
January 15...	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

Other Interesting Dates

January 1... The Pure Food and Drug Act went into effect in 1907. The Act was the precursor to our Food, Drug & Cosmetic Act, which requires that the safety of food, drugs and consumer products we buy be proven.

January 1... In 1967, the first fluoridation law in the U.S. went into effect in Connecticut, requiring fluoridation of public water supplies serving 20,000 or more population, to prevent dental caries. The water fluoridation era began in 1945 when the cities of Newburgh, New York, and Grand Rapids, Michigan, began adding sodium fluoride to their public water systems.

January 3... The Human Genome Project began in 1989.

January 3... The March of Dimes was established in 1938.

January 4... Louis Braille was born in 1809. Braille was the inventor of the Braille alphabet for the blind.

January 7... The first U.S. presidential election was held in 1789.

January 10... On this day in 1946, the United Nations met for the first time in London.

January 11... Insulin was first used to treat diabetes in 1922.

January 18... Quinine was first used to treat malaria (1538).

January 20... In 1998, researchers at the University of Massachusetts and Advanced Cell Technology announced they had cloned calves that may produce medicinal milk. The researchers were the first to clone cows from fetal cells in which human genes were spliced into cattle DNA.

January 23... Elizabeth Blackwell, first woman doctor, was granted her medical degree in 1849.

January 28... On this day in 1949, Dr. John Enders reported the culturing of polio virus, Nobel prize-winning work that was critical to the development of a polio vaccine.

This listing is designed to accompany the MSMR *People & Animals: United for Health®* interactive health and science calendar for elementary classrooms. For further information:

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Fixed Dates

January 1...	Birthday of Paul Revere (1735)
January 3...	Birthday of J.R.R. Tolkien (1892)
January 4...	National Trivia Day
January 5...	National Bird Day
January 11...	International Thank-you Day
January 11...	Milk Day
January 13...	Poetry Break Day
January 17...	Birthday of Benjamin Franklin (1706)
January 19...	National Popcorn Day
January 20...	National Cheese Day
January 21...	National Hugging Day
January 23...	National Handwriting Day
January 26...	Australia Day
January 25...	School Nurse Day
January 25...	Opposite Day
January 28...	Christa Macauliffe Day
January 28...	National Kazoo Day
January 29...	National Puzzle Day
January 31...	Backwards Day

Weekly Observances

January 1-6...	Celebration of Life Week
January 7-13...	Universal Letter Writing Week
January 14-20...	International Thank-You Days - National Skating Week - Healthy Weight Week - Hunt for Happiness Week

Monthly Observances

Celebration of Life Month
Family Fit Lifestyle Month
International Creativity Month
Jump Out of Bed Month
Letter Writing Month
National Blood Donor Month
National Eye Health Care Month
National Get Organized Month
National Hobby Month
National Soup Month
National Thank-you Month
Oatmeal Month