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Dates for your diary...

World Health Day. Tuesday 7 April. Giving people access to healthcare without the prospect of financial hardship. Run by the World Health Organisation. [Click here](#)

World Book Night. Thursday 23 April. National celebration of reading and books with events up and down the country to celebrate the difference that reading makes to people's lives. Run by the Reading Agency. [Click here.](#)

International Workers Memorial Day. Tuesday 28 April. This year's theme is: Tackling psychosocial hazards at work – taking the stress out of the job. Run by ITUC and Hazards magazine. [Click here.](#)

How to get it right for Learning at Work Week

Learning at Work Week (LaWW) runs from Monday 18 to Sunday 24 May this year.

As ULRs who have run events during the week in previous years will know, it's a great opportunity to introduce colleagues to the benefits of union learning and to launch new learning programmes.

The theme this year is 'learning journeys,' which will enable ULRs to encourage people to think about how learning can help us progress from where we are to where we want to go.

Try our new guide to plan your week

LAOS has produced a short guide to help you plan and execute a winning week.

It includes a very useful planning tool with a set of questions to help you work out what to do and how to do it and includes examples of popular activities that often go down well, such as a reading for pleasure workshop or a quiz with a learning theme. Download the guide [here](#).

- Visit the Organising Space for more ideas and resources. [Click here.](#)
- There's more help on the Campaign for Learning website. [Click here.](#)

Apply for help with funding

You can apply for Kickstart and Moving On funding to help cover some of the costs of your LaWW activities. For more details and application forms [click here](#).

Top tips

East Midlands Ambulance Branch ran such a successful Learning at Work Week event in Nottingham last year that they recruited

almost one-third of the 60-plus staff they engaged on the day. Plus they encouraged another dozen or so to enrol on distance learning courses with Leicester College.

Branch Lifelong Learning Coordinator and ULR Callum Lamb offers these suggestions to help you this year.

- Start planning as soon as you can. "It probably took me the best part of 50 hours to organise everything."
- Involve other ULRs on site. "Engage with the other ULRs in your branch: it's all about good communication with the ULRs."
- Take part in your local ULR forum. "Attend your local ULR forum, where you'll meet other ULRs who will be able to provide additional information about running events."
- Engage with LAOS regional and national staff. "Regional and national staff can offer so much more than many branches are aware of."



Next month: we'll be looking at how you can take part in World Book Night



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