

FESTIVALS & CELEBRATIONS · GRADES 4–6

Pride Month

Celebrating equality

Note for teachers

Use this resource in line with your school's policies on relationships education. The framing here is age-appropriate and centered on equality, inclusion, and treating people fairly — which are universal values most schools' policies endorse.

Quick facts

When	June (in most countries).
Where	Worldwide — Pride parades happen in 100+ countries.
Why June	Marks the Stonewall protests in New York in June 1969, which sparked the modern movement for LGBTQ+ rights.
Symbol	The rainbow flag — designed by Gilbert Baker in 1978. Each color represents something: red = life, orange = healing, yellow = sunlight, green = nature, blue = harmony, purple = spirit.

What Pride is about

Being yourself

Pride is about people being able to live and love openly without fear or discrimination. It celebrates being who you are, and respecting others for being who they are.

Equality

In many places, LGBTQ+ people have faced unfair laws and treatment. In the UK, until 1967 it was illegal for two men to be in a relationship. Pride remembers how far things have come — and that there's still work to do in many countries.



Family

Families come in many shapes — two mums, two dads, single parents, grandparents raising kids, foster families, blended families. Pride celebrates ALL families.

Discuss

1. Why might it be important to celebrate equality publicly?
2. What does 'being yourself' actually mean?
3. How can we make sure everyone in our class feels they belong?

