

# PUBLIC HOLIDAY CALENDARS

20..... *Calendar of Holidays:* .....

|      | JAN | FEB | MAR | APRIL | MAY | JUN | JULY | AUG | SEPT | OCT | NOV | DEC |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-----|
| WK 1 |     |     |     |       |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |     |
| WK 2 |     |     |     |       |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |     |
| WK 3 |     |     |     |       |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |     |
| WK 4 |     |     |     |       |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |     |
| WK 5 |     |     |     |       |     |     |      |     |      |     |     |     |

In most countries, significant celebrations relevant to the majority of the population are declared public holidays. This allows many people to have time off to enjoy them.

Where possible, governments try to spread public holidays throughout the year so people get regular breaks from work. Sometimes the original reasons for a holiday are no longer valid but the holidays remain in place for this reason or for convenience eg the Queen's Birthday holiday.

*Choose a country other than Australia and research its public holidays on the internet. Transfer the dates to the calendar at left, filling in the relevant year and country name. Add an icon or symbol to each to show what kind of holiday it is. Are the dates spread throughout the year? Why are some not?*