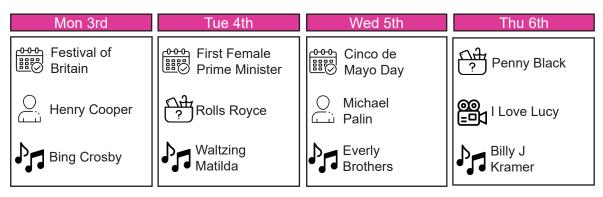
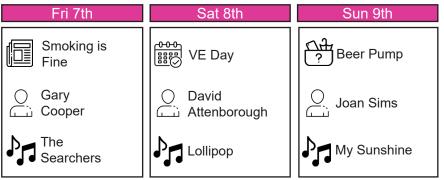
MAGIC MOMENTS

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8th May 1945 - VE Day

On 7 May 1945, the formal act of surrender was signed by Germany, ending the war in Europe. The next day, celebrations broke out all over the world to mark "Victory in Europe", or VE Day.

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In the morning, Winston Churchill gained assurances from the Ministry of Food that there were enough beer rations for the day. Later, in a radio address to the nation, Churchill said: "My dear friends, this is your hour. We may allow ourselves a brief period of rejoicing".

Many caught early trains into London to celebrate. Even the teenage princesses were able to join in the festivities, hiding in plain sight as they danced the conga through the Ritz and called at the gates of Buckingham Palace for the King to appear once more. "We stood outside and shouted, 'We want the King'... I think it was one of the most memorable nights of my life," the future Queen later said.

Monday 3rd May



1951 - Festival of Britain

The Festival of Britain was organised to mark the centenary of the Great Exhibition of 1851. It was intended to demonstrate Britain's contribution to civilisation, past, present, and future, in the arts, science and technology, and industrial design.

1934 - Henry Cooper Born

The British boxer, Henry Cooper held both the Commonwealth and British heavyweight titles for more than 12 years. He's remembered for his left hook, which became known as "Enry's Ammer" and for losing to Muhammad Ali.





Bing Crosby Born

The great crooner, Bing Crosby, released 1,600 records, had 40 No.1 hits and was a movie box. Bing peaked with his series of "Road to" films, partnering with Bob Hope and featuring Dorothy Lamour. Bing died on a golf course in 1977.

Tuesday 4th May



1979 - First Female PM

Britain elected its first female Prime Minister, seen here arriving at party HQ with her husband Dennis. Margaret Thatcher defeated James Callaghan to begin a period of cuts in social welfare, reduced trade union power and privatised industries.

1904 - Rolls Royce

Charles Rolls and Henry Royce signed a provisional agreement to build Rolls-Royce cars. Did you know that Hong Kong has the most Rolls Royce cars and that, to get back at the British, an Indian King used his Rolls Royce to collect the rubbish?





1895 - Waltzing Matilda

The Waltzing Matilda is often known as Australia's unofficial anthem. It is a well-known bush ballad and uses plenty of Australian slang! The original lyrics were written by Banjo Paterson, but many have performed it, such as Slim Dusty. It even has it's own Museum!

Wednesday 5th May



Cinco de Mayo Day

Cinco de Mayo Day is a Mexican celebration of the defeat of a French invasion in 1862. The day is celebrated around the world with margaritas, tacos and burritos. Interestingly, the day is not celebrated by all Mexicans.

1943 - Michael Palin

Member of the comedy team "Monty Python", Michael Palin was born on this day. He appeared in many of their famous sketches including "The Dead Parrot" and "The Lumberjack Song". Michael has an asteroid and two trains named after him.



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1960 - The Everly Brothers

The Everly Brothers entered the Top Ten on this day with "Cathy's Clown". The song was inspired by one of Don Everly's ex-girlfriends, who dumped him. He tried to be strong, but everyone knew him as "Cathy's Clown", as she treated him so badly.

Thursday 6th May



1840 - Penny Black

The Penny Black was the world's first adhesive postage stamp.

The little black stamp made post affordable for the average Victorian. Before 1840, letters were charged by the number of sheets written upon and the distance travelled to send them.

1957 - I Love Lucy

The last episode of the 1950's sitcom "I Love Lucy" aired on this day. The show featured a crazy lady, Lucille Ball, who strived to become a star along with her band leader husband, Ricky, played by Desi Arnaz. The TV series had up to 45 million viewers.



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1915 - Orson Welles

Born on this day, Orson Welles has two stars on the Hollywood Walk of Fame. One is for his radio work, including "War of the Worlds" and the other is for his film "Citizen Kane". His favourite (and typical) meal was two rare steaks and a pint of Scotch.

Friday 7th May



1956 - Smoking is Fine

On this day, the British
Government's Minister of Health
rejected calls to lead an antismoking campaign, saying no illeffects had actually been proven.
His statement went on to praise the
benefits of tobacco for millions of
people in this country!

1901 - Gary Cooper

Born on this day Gary Cooper's acting career spanned from silent films into the 1950s. He established himself as a hero in Western films and played Will Kane in the 1952 film "High Noon" which starred Grace Kelly as his young wife.





1964 - The Searchers

The Searchers were No.1 in the UK Singles Chart with "Don't Throw My Love Away" on this day. The Merseybeat band also had hits with "Sweets For My Sweet" and "Needles and Pins". The Searchers only stopped live shows and touring last year.

Saturday 8th May



1945 - **VE Day**

74 years ago, millions of people rejoiced in the news that Germany had surrendered. In the morning, Winston Churchill gained assurances and announced that people could buy red, white and blue bunting without using ration coupons.

1926 - David Attenborough

The broadcaster, David Attenborough, will be 95 years old on Saturday. He first got hooked on nature at the age of 8 when he found a great crested newt. During National Service in 1947 he joined the Navy, his first venture in world exploration.





1958 - Lollipop

The Chordettes entered the Top 10 on this day with the song "Lollipop". The song was based on a real story about one of the groups daughters who got a lollipop stuck in her hair. They had such trouble removing it that they were late to a rehearsal.

Sunday 9th May



1785 - Beer Pumps

Anyone who has visited a traditional British pub will have seen a landlord pull a pint. The first beer pump handle was patented on this day by Joseph Bramah. It allowed the kegs to be stored below the bar where it is cooler. Joseph also invented the flushing toilet.

1930 - Joan Sims

The English actress, Joan Sims, was popular for her big-hearted characters in Carry On and Doctor films.

She starred in 24 Carry On films. Joan was never married and claimed that men were put off by funny women.



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1944 - My Sunshine

Jimmie Davis, the Governor of Louisiana, wrote the song "You Are My Sunshine, My only sunshine, You make me happy when skies are grey". The song has been covered many times by artists such as Gene Autry, Doris Day and Bing Crosby

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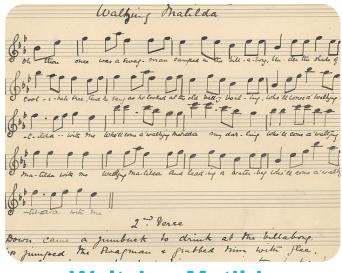
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