Summer Solstice



The summer solstice is the longest day of the year - that is the day with the most hours of sunlight. This year in the UK it will fall on June 20th.

The summer solstice is celebrated by people all over the world.

In Britain, thousands of people visit Stonehenge in Wiltshire to watch the sunrise. It is one of the oldest and most famous monuments in the UK. Archaeologists believe it was an important religious site, built at least 4,000 years ago!

On the summer solstice a special thing happens here, the sun rises directly over the heel stone - the ancient entrance to the stone circle.

Many people all around the world celebrate the summer solstice - can you find out how people in different countries celebrate?