

# Today in Math History...



***-8 November 1656***

**Edmund Halley born.** He is best known for his accurate prediction that the comet of 1682 would return in 1758.

*Halley computed in 1705 that a bright comet was periodic and would make another appearance in 1758. The comet appeared as predicted and is now known as Halley's Comet. Unfortunately, Halley died in 1742 and never saw his prediction come true. He was a supporter of **Newton**.*

