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Women's History Month - Why do we Celebrate It?

"Women's history is women's right—an essential, indispensable heritage from which we can draw pride, comfort, courage, and long-range vision." - Dr. Gerda Lener

This celebratory month started in Santa Rosa, California, in 1978 and was originally known as "Women's History Week." The organizers scheduled the week of March 8th to correspond with this international holiday. The movement gained momentum and the following year, the first Women's History Week was celebrated. Two years later, President Jimmy Carter approved the holiday for national recognition. Seven years later, the holiday expanded to the month-long celebration we know now.

Women's History Month is a month dedicated to celebrating and acknowledging contributions to our society made by women which would otherwise be overlooked. Women such as Frida Kahlo - an influential Mexican artist-, Ruth Bader Ginsburg - a former judge on the supreme court who fought for equal rights for all, especially in marginalized groups -, and Harriet Tubman - an enslaved woman who risked her life to rescued approximately 70 people from the torture of enslavement.

Despite contrary belief, this month is not only important in the celebration of influential women of the past but also strives to celebrate and empower all women around the world. In fact, their 2022 theme is, "Women Providing Healing, Promoting Hope. [This theme is] both a tribute to the ceaseless work of caregivers and frontline workers during this ongoing pandemic and also a recognition of the thousands of ways that women of all cultures have provided both healing and hope throughout history." This explains that all women, regardless of their occupation, are entitled to celebrate their contributions to their families, themselves, and society.



Saint Patrick's Day!

By: Anika T

Every year on March 17, people eat their traditional meal of corned beef and cabbage, wear green, have musical gatherings, and decorate with symbols like shamrocks and leprechauns. Do you ever wonder where these traditions came from?

Origin-

St. Patrick's Day, is feast day (March 17) of St. Patrick, a patron saint of Ireland. Born in Roman Britain in the late 4th century, he was kidnapped at the age of 16 and taken to Ireland as a slave. He escaped but returned about 432 CE to convert the Irish to Christianity. By the time of his death on March 17, 461, he had established monasteries, churches, and schools. Many legends grew up around him—for example, that he drove the snakes out of Ireland and used the shamrock to explain the Trinity. Ireland came to celebrate his day with religious services and feasts. This is why Saint Patrick's Day is celebrated.

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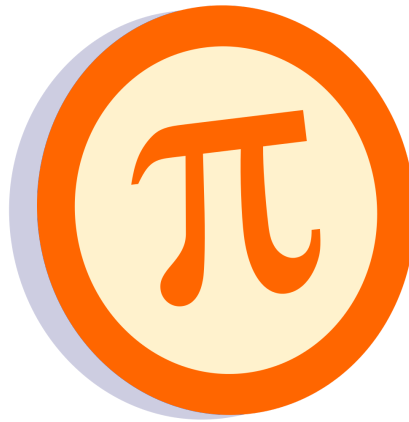
- Leprechauns are likely based on Celtic Fairies
- The Shamrock was considered a sacred plant and is the national flower/emblem of Ireland
- The first St. Patrick's Day parade was held in America
- The color of St. Patrick's Day was originally blue.
- Legend says that each leaf of the clover has a meaning: Hope, Faith, Love and Luck.
- There are 34.7 million U.S. residents with Irish ancestry. This number is more than seven times the population of Ireland itself.
- Your odds of finding a four-leaf clover are about 1 in 10,000.

March Riddles

1. When is an Irish potato not an Irish potato?
2. I'm hidden, but I'm not buried. I hold treasure, but no gems.
Leprechauns protect me, but I'm not Lucky Charms. What am I?
3. Where can you always find "gold," but there's no gold at all?
4. Yellow and blue combined you'll see; if you don't want a pinch, be sure to wear me! What am I?

Check out the answers on page

Fun Facts About Pi Day
By Reagan R.



The first thing that comes to mind when you think of March probably isn't Pi. You know, 3.14? Well, March 14 is National Pi Day, because it is 3/14. So, in honor of Pi Day, here are 10 fun facts that you may not have known about this famous never ending number.

1. The first person who discovered Pi is Archimedes of Syracuse, who lived in the third century B.C.
2. The symbol we use for pi was created popular by a math teacher.
3. There are 22,459,157,718,361 known digits of pi.
4. The highest amount of digits ever memorized is 70,000.
5. There is an entire language made from the number pi, called Pi-lish.
6. Before the 1700's, people referred to pi as, "the quantity which when the diameter is multiplied by it, yields the circumference."
7. In the Exploratorium Science Museum, a circular parade happens every year on pi day.
8. In the 16th century, Ludolph van Ceulen spent most of his life calculating the first 36 digits of pi.
9. The number 123456 doesn't appear anywhere in the first million digits of pi.
10. Albert Einstein was born on pi day in 1879.

An Eye For An Eye

By Moxie



Chick-fil-a: You may want to reconsider your favorite fast food restaurant

By Aanya C.

A few years ago, I completely stopped eating at the popular fast food restaurant you may know and love: Chick-fil-a. While their menu might hold some of your favorite irresistible foods, there are some reasons why I decided against this restaurant, and you may want to as well.

Firstly, Chick-fil-a has been known for employee discrimination and they have been sued several times for it. In 2000, muslim employee Aziz Latif proclaimed that he was fired for not participating in a group prayer to Jesus Christ. It was reported that the term was never disclosed.

Chick-fil-a has also been charged by Brenda Honeycutt, a general manager at a restaurant in Georgia during 1997. She reported that her boss, Jeff Howard, often made comments and suggestions advising that since she was a mother, she should stay at home and take care of her kids instead of working. He eventually fired her for this reason, and five other female employees were fired around the same time.

Additionally, this fast food restaurant has had a long history of supporting and donating to anti-LGBTQ groups and organizations. This infuriated many LGBTQ individuals, as well as their allies. Many boycotts were held against the company, and they finally declared that they would no longer be bolstering such groups anymore in 2020.

Though Chick-fil-a has changed a bit for the better, they have had a long history of homophobia and racism and that still continues today. As for now, you may want to reconsider eating there and try other fast food restaurants; there are many with similar menus!

Shamrock Shakes at Home!

Kaley U.



INGREDIENTS

3 large scoops vanilla ice cream (about 1/4 c. each)

1/4 c. heavy cream

1/2 tsp. peppermint extract

6 drops green food coloring

Whipped cream, for topping

Maraschino cherry, for topping

DIRECTIONS

In a blender, mix vanilla ice cream, heavy cream, peppermint extract, and food coloring until completely smooth, then pour into a glass.

Top with whipped cream and a cherry before serving.

March - National Reading Month

By: Henry N.

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| 1. Fat Tuesday | 17. St. Patrick's Day |
| 2. National Old Stuff Day | 18. National Sloppy Joe Day |
| 3. National If Pets Had Thumbs Day | 19. National Poultry Day |
| 4. National Sons Day | 20. Poison Prevention Day |
| 5. Cinco de Marcho | 21. World Puppetry Day |
| 6. Ghana Independence Day | 22. National Goof Off Day |
| 7. Plant Power Day | 23. Never Miss Day |
| 8. Be Nasty Day | 24. National Cocktail Day |
| 9. National Get Over It Day | 25. Tolkien Reading Day |
| 10. International Day of Awesomeness | 26. Earth Hour |
| 11. Worship of Tools Day | 27. National Joe Day |
| 12. National Plant a Flower Day | 28. Something On A Stick Day |
| 13. National Good Samaritan Day | 29. World Piano Day |
| 14. National Pi Day | 30. National Penic Day |
| 15. Buzzards Day | 31. National Prom Day |
| 16. Everything You Do Is Right Day | |

Chapter 6- The Pressure

See the last edition of [Paw Prints](#) to catch up on *How to Use Superpowers 101!*

River's POV

After they had found out about their powers, River did some research. They searched for ways they could use their power. The best thing they could come by was comic books. In one of those books, the hero that had something similar to time manipulation, had done something where he froze time and then took somebody else into the frozen time. River had never tested this out, so the best they could do was to *hope* that their plan would work.

They closed their eyes tight, but when they opened them again, everything had a blue tint. River made their way through frozen time towards Mae. Normally, River would've gone for the innocent civilians first. But in this case, it was most logical to get Mae first so that they could help Birb distract the bear thing.

River eventually got to where Mae was frozen. They grabbed onto Mae and cleared their mind so that the only thing they thought was to pull Mae into frozen time. "What the-?" River heard Mae's voice come from beside them.

"I pulled you into frozen time," River explained. Mae looked around in awe. "We don't have much time...I'm not sure how long *you* can be in frozen time. So I'm just going to explain what's happening." Mae nodded.

"Okay first off, whatever you do, *don't look at the...monster thing*," River said and looked sharply at Mae. "I have Birb distracting the monster (yeah that's what I'm going to call it) in bug form. I need you to help distract him. But don't look at the monster. Look at the ground while you put flames up into the air. Keep moving so that the monster can't catch up to you. It seems to be pretty slow. Then, once I've gotten all of the civilians away from the monster, I need you to surround the thing in flames. Try not to catch anything on fire and try not to hurt the monster. Got it?" River finished.

"Yeah, I got it." Mae said. River and Mae walked towards a further location, one out of the reach of the monster. Suddenly, time was un-frozen.

Mae's POV

Mae did exactly what River had said to do, making sure to look out for when all of the civilians were cleared away from the monster. Once they were safe, Mae surrounded the monster in flames. They quickly ran out of reach from the monster's reach. They heard River yelling to not look at the beast, to keep eyes on the ground. Mae looked back at the monster. It looked confused. Clearly whatever it is didn't have much intelligence.

Mae saw the police and animal control arrive. Animal control had a quick conversation with River and then handed them a massive muzzle. River didn't seem to move, but they didn't have the muzzle anymore. Instead, the muzzle was over the monster's mouth. Ambulances arrived to care for those injured. The press arrived as well. The news reporters managed to gather Mae, Birb, and River together to interview them. All three of them looked incredibly exhausted.

"What was going through your minds as you fought off that thing?"

"Where did that thing come from? Do you know?"

"How did you do what you did?"

Questions swarmed all three of them. Cameras and microphones were in their faces. "Okay, okay one question at a time," River said.

One reporter stepped up. “What was that *thing*?” She said, pointing the mic towards River, Mae, and Birb.

“We aren’t really sure ourselves what that monster was,” Mae was the first to speak.

“Do you think there’s more of those things?” Another reporter asked.

“I really hope that there’s not. That wouldn’t be great for the city if there was. But, just in case, we will keep doing our best to protect the city when it needs us the most.” River said.

The interview went on for what seemed like forever before it got dark. The scene was mostly cleared by around midnight. The incident was all over the news and it would be for the next couple of weeks.

Teacher Talk - March Edition

By Tessa S.

1. **For Pi Day, what is your favorite kind of pie?**

Mrs. Gallagher: “Peach :)”

Mr. Stiles: “Apple pie.”

Mr. Drob: “Warm apple pie.”

Señorita Ashman: “Apple pie is my favorite.”

2. **For Women's History Month, who is a woman that is influential to you, or a woman who should be more recognized?**

Mrs. Gallagher: “Hmm, I really admire all women who can have jobs & careers, and be moms!”

Mr. Stiles: “I admire Jeanette Rankin because she was the first woman to be elected into Federal Government.”

Mr. Drob: “My Mom. She is a single parent and has always influenced me.”

Señorita Ashman: “I think about this and email you.”

3. **Do you have any superstitions? If so, what are they?**

Mrs. Gallagher: “Never reveal your birthday wish!”

Mr. Stiles: “I used to have a lot, now I have none”

Mr. Drob: “Same morning routine.”

Señorita Ashman: “I always check to see if I locked the door (house, car, etc.) twice. I don’t know why!”

4. **If you have any, what are your St. Patrick's day traditions?**

Mrs. Gallagher: “I always wear green & love to go out with friends.”

Mr. Stiles: “I get together with family, play Irish music for my students, and eat corned beef & cabbage.”

Mr. Drob: “Wear a kelly green Eagles shirt.”

Señorita Ashman: “On St. Patrick's Day I always eat corned beef and cabbage. Yum!”

5. **If you were in the Olympics, what sport would you play?**

Mrs. Gallagher: “I think Aerial Skiing looks scary fun!”

Mr. Stiles: “Curling.”

Mr. Drob: “Basketball. (Since no football)”

Señorita Ashman: “I wish Axe Throwing was in the Olympics. If it was, sign me up!!!”

Mask Mandate Interview

By Lila T. and Kai D.

According to The New York Times, New Jersey Governor Phil Murphy has announced that on March 7th, masks will be considered optional until further notice in schools. To quote the article 'N.J. Governor to End School Mask Mandate in Move to "Normalcy" written by Tracey Tully, "Mr. Murphy's move follows a decision last month by the Democratic governor of Pennsylvania, Tom Wolf, to rescind his state's school mask mandate." Kai D, and Lila T. decided to ask teachers and students alike about the mandate. These are our responses.

"In general, what do you think about face masks?"

Aiden C: "They're somewhat annoying but you can get used to them after a while."

Finn W: "I like that they protect me. I don't have a problem with them, they're comfortable for me."

Aurora H: "I love them. They're okay but sometimes they're uncomfortable."

Liam R: "I don't like them. They fog up my glasses and they're uncomfortable."

Mrs. Bramhall: "In general, I think the face masks were a great idea to slow the spread of Covid in the beginning of the pandemic. I think as more and more information becomes available, the type of face mask that is used is becoming more important. The most recent news being that N-95 masks are the only useful type of mask to reduce the risk of getting Covid, but not everyone has one."

"Do you think that face masks should be required in public places such as in schools and workplaces?"

Aiden C: "I don't think so, but then again, masks keep us safe."

Mrs. Bramhall: "I think it should depend on the current cases and trends being reported in our counties. If the case/outbreak numbers are lower, then we shouldn't have to wear masks in public places. If the case/outbreak numbers begin to skyrocket again, then we should begin wearing masks again in public places. Ultimately, I do believe it is up to the individual to make the choice for themselves."

Finn W: "Yes, covid isn't stopping and lifting mask mandates is definitely not going to help."

"What do you think is an appropriate response for schools to move forward after the pandemic?"

Aurora H: "I think they shouldn't go right back into face masks immediately and take it slower."

Anika V: "It would be good for schools to start opening up to more things. We can't do shows"

Aiden C: "Stay safe, make good decisions."

Finn W: "I think once things get better than they are now, face masks should be allowed, but not mandatory."

“What is a struggle as a teacher when it comes to teaching in a pandemic?”

Mr. Wagner: “Different stages of the pandemic presented different challenges to teaching. Teaching virtually during the early part of the pandemic was hard because your students are at home. Helping to support them was much more difficult and each student was working under a different set of circumstances. In the more recent part of the pandemic, students coming back to school was a big adjustment because they had been out of school for so long. So you were trying to instruct and develop students that were having a variety of issues from being overwhelmed, to anxiety, to a lack of stamina to do the whole school day.”

Ms. Bramhall: “I think the biggest struggle of teaching in a pandemic is the constant changing of expectations and learning platforms. I think it was more difficult in the beginning (March 2020) and last school year (2020-2021), when we were just getting used to online learning and everything was still uncertain. This year has proven to be slightly better because we are back in person and there's not much threat of going full remote anytime soon. It's too difficult to form relationships with students when everything is being conducted through a screen, and sometimes you never get to see that student.”

“What is a struggle as a student when it comes to learning in a pandemic?”

Finn W: “Having to rely on technology can make things difficult.”

Liam R: “I feel like when it was online it was really hard to learn.”

Sophia S: “Computers are kind of bad and break.”

Page 2 Riddle Answers: 1. When it's a french fry 2. A pot of gold 3. In the dictionary 4. The color green

What Do You Think?

The Son of Gods:PART 2

By Aiden C.

This is a continuation of the story. So read if you finish that one and come back alright. Sorry for the short story. Due to scheduling, I had to make April's story in March. That did give me a lot of time to make two long stories.

In his LA class, Max waited for Jane. When she came in, he noticed that she was still rubbing her head, and her eyes were still showing a purple tint.

Mrs. Miller, the La teacher, looking concerned, "Jane, are you alright? You should go to the nurse."

Jane nodded and left the room with her "headache." Mrs. Miller continued to scan the room of 7th graders.

Max saw this as an opportunity to find out more about what other powers demigods have. He put his head down knowing that Mrs. Miller would not notice.

"Max, get your head up!" Mrs. Miller said in a harsh tone. Max groaned. She sighed, "Fine, just go." Max rubbed his head, hoping Mrs. Miller didn't see he was faking.

At the nurse's office, he saw Jane. The nurse asked, "Let me guess, a headache." Max nodded. "These kids always trying to skip class" She muttered under her breath. "Go lie down over there, for thirty minutes."

Max walked quickly to the cot near where Jane was. "Hey, Jane, what's that all about?"

"Oh, it's my power. I just hear voices, lots of them, but I do know what they are."

"Then what is mine?" Max asked.

"I don't know. I just know that you are super speed."

The nurse asked, "What are you two doing over there?" They both stopped talking. The nurse said, "You look fine." You two should go back to class.

They both headed back to LA.

The next day, after school, at the library, Max saw Jane. "Oh, didn't think I'd see you here."

"I know. That's pretty convenient."

"I know, lucky as well. We wouldn't be able to talk that much at school."

"How do our powers work?" Max asked, continuing from yesterday,

"To my knowledge, they get triggered by something and then they happen. My powers are triggered by talking for a while, like right now, "and now voices are here."

"What are they saying?" Max asked.

She took a moment.

"Jane, I think that--"

"You know what my powers are?"

"Now, think about it, when did you find out?"

"Well, long story short, Athena came in a dream, and she was like, 'Jane, my daughter. Keep on thinking and spread your knowledge everywhere and to everyone who wants to listen. I give you the power of' and right before she told me, I woke up."

"Hey Jane, I wanted to tell you something," Max asked, wanting to tell Jane his feelings. She didn't hear him. *Man, I just want to tell you that I love you.*

"Wait you do!" Jane asked.

Max was shocked, "I, what?"

"Have a crush on me?"

"How do know? I never told you," Max ask in confusion

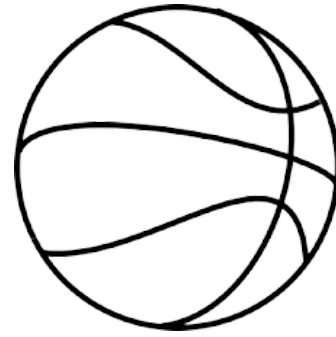
Jane giggles, "You just said out loud,"

"That's weird I didn't say that out loud, it was like--"

Max took a pause, "Like your read my mind!"

Your Monthly Puzzle

By: Olivia A.



basketball

chocolate

clover

flowers

gold

green

irish

kite

lamb

leprechaun

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march

march madness

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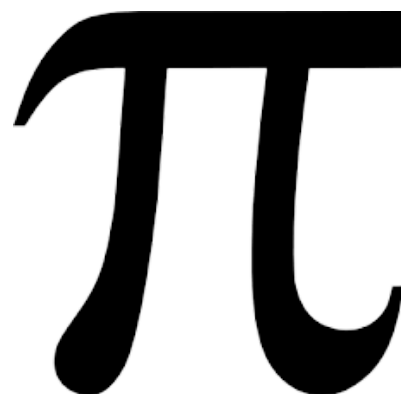
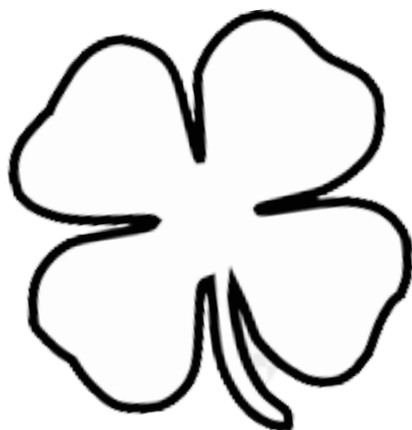
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March Minecraft Ideas

By Ethan L.

-One of the most classic things for this month is a rainbow with pots of gold. If you need ideas to do, this is definitely a large project that'll fill some time.

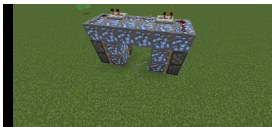


-If you know March, it is often represented by a 4 leaf clover, or luck. So if you are talking about luck, you could rely on luck to get enchanted golden apples. There is a really cool strategy that you can find on youtube to get them as well.



-Spring starts in March, so you could try some landscaping. It can be a large project but can look SUPER good.

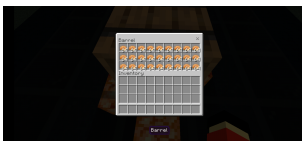
-Green is a March color, so you should try NOT being green and making machines with redstone.



-March has Groundhog Day, and it looks at the sun. The opposite of the Sun is the moon, so you could build a night sky using black blocks and lights. Yes I'm stretching it.



-Then, if you're low on food, you can get a chest full of Pumpkin Pie in celebration of Pi day.



-It stops snowing in March, so to keep that white stuff, you can make a base in the tundra. You have access to spruce, and it looks beautiful during the snow.



