



Oblong Jr. High

What's Happening?

March 2021



Mustache March is an annual event where members in the US Air Force and US Space Force grow mustaches to honor Air Force legend Robin Olds. The idea stems from an early Air Force tradition in which members of the US Air Force would grow mustaches in good-natured protest against facial hair regulations during the month of March. Robin Olds grew an extravagantly waxed handlebar mustache  which did not comply with U.S. Air Force regulations. He was an American fighter pilot and general officer in the US Air Force. He was a "triple ace", with a combined total of 17 victories in World War II and the Vietnam War. He retired in 1973 as a brigadier general, after 30 years of service.

Women's History Month, is an annual declared month that highlights the contributions of women to events in history and contemporary society. The commemoration began in 1978 as "Women's History Week" in Sonoma County, California, and was championed by Gerda Lerner and the National Women's History Alliance to be recognized as a national week (1980) and then month (1987) in the US, spreading international after that. If your child can tell me who that is in the upper left corner, I will add \$1,000 to their bank account.

Youth Art Month is a month of promoting art and art education in the United States. It is observed in March, with thousands of American schools participating, often with the involvement of local art museums and civic organizations.



Reference: Wikipedia. (2021, March 06). *List of Month-Long Observances*. https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_month-long_observances#March

“Only surround yourself with people who will lift you higher.” Oprah Winfrey. *Do you have the courage to get rid of the toxic people in your life? We all have them. One of the most important things we can do is surround ourselves with people who believe in us, support us and love us unconditionally. If your friends don't meet that criterion, then it might be time to find some new friends.*

Reference: Juma, N. (2020, July 13). *Everyday Power*. <https://everydaypower.com/motivational-quotes-for-kids/>

NO SCHOOL

April 2 & 5

Easter Weekend



Fun Facts

Samuel L. Jackson requested a purple Lightsaber in *Star Wars* in order for him to accept the part as Mace Windu. Jackson wanted to be able to find himself on screen in big fight scenes, so he managed to get George Lucas to approve his request and grant him with a purple lightsaber.



Paraskavedekatriaphobia is a fear of Friday the 13th. A few famous people are stricken with this absurd phobia such as Franklin Roosevelt, and surprisingly enough, Stephen King.

FRIDAY THE 13TH

Reference: Ward, L. (n.d.). *200 Fun Facts That'll Actually Make Your Life Better*. <https://www.thefactsite.com/top-100-random-funny-facts/>

Our Class Mantra

“Honesty is the Best Policy!”