# THE MONTHLY HOOT

## Because We Give a Hoot!

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## Women's History Month

Greeting HTES students, March is Women's History Month, so I am going to be discussing why this celebration is so important. This shaped America, especially women, women from all walks of life, no matter their skin color or background.

This wonderful celebration of all women began March 8, 1857, in New York City. Women who were working in factories participated in a protest. They were protesting the conditions in the workplace. Once all those women's voices were heard the state established a day called Women's Day in 1909. Since then, congress has expanded this day into a month, making March officially Women's History Month.
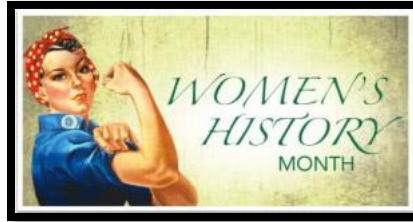
**Written By: Angela Scott**

## Teacher Interview with Ms. Doris

This month Charlie and I interviewed Ms. Doris, she said that when she was little everyone told her mom that she was going to be a teacher and now she is. Ms. Doris has been teaching for 33 years and she does not regret it at all. One of her students from NYC told her that Florida is the best continent and Ms. Doris laughed and told them that Florida was in the U.S., and they had a little disagreement. Ms. Doris also told Charlie and I that she was at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church and one afternoon she realized that she knew nothing about the school, and she wanted to know more. She said that she is so happy that she chose to get to know the kids at the school and the staff and she loves all of us.

Stay tuned for next month's teacher!

By: Krystina Bosques & Charlie Redding

## Upcoming Events

- March 8th – 3rd 9 weeks Report Cards
- March 11th – 15th – Spring Break
- March 23rd – Fruitland Park Day
- March 29th & April 1st – No School

## St. Patrick's Day

St. Patrick's Day, also known as feast day of St. Patrick, the **patron saint** of Ireland. St. Patrick was born in **Roman Britain** in the late 4th century. When he was 16 years old, he was kidnapped and taken to Ireland as a slave. Thankfully he escaped, but in 432 CE he returned to **convert** the Irish to Christianity. By the time he died on March 17, 461, he had established **monasteries**, churches, and schools. Some legends about him are that he drove snakes out of Ireland and used the **shamrock** to explain Trinity.

St. Patrick's Day was originally celebrated in Ireland with religious services and feasts to honor St. Patrick. When the Irish **immigrants** brought St. Patrick's Day in the U.S. the day evolved into a **secular** celebration of Irish culture. St. Patrick's Day is celebrated annually on March 17, this is the anniversary of St. Patrick's death in 461.

**Vocabulary**

Patron Saint- *noun*; the protecting or guiding saint of a person or place

Roman Britain – *noun*; area of the island of Great Britain that was under Roman rule from the conquest of Claudius in 43 CE to the withdrawal of imperial authority by Honorius in 410 CE

Convert – *verb*; change one's religious faith or other beliefs.

Shamrock – *noun*; a low-growing clover-like plant with three-lobed leaves, used as the national emblem of Ireland.

Monasteries – *noun*; a building(s) occupied by a community of monks living under religious vows.

Trinity – *noun*; the Christian Godhead as one God in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

Immigrants – *noun*; a person who comes to live permanently in a foreign country.

Secular – *adjective*; denoting attitudes, activities, or other things that have no religious or spiritual basis.

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## Women in the Workplace

8% of young women between the ages of 16-18 have been actively working since the 70s. Did you know that as of 2022, more than 168 million women live in the US? Many degreed professionals are women. It is important to recognize how today's women are breaking stereotypical assumptions.

Finally, after everything that women have encountered, I want to share this message; "There is something so special about women who dominate in a man's world. It takes a certain grace, strength, intelligence, fearlessness, and never taking no for an answer." - Rihanna

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"A cloud comes over the sunlit arch, a wind comes off a frozen peak, and you're two months back in the middle of March" - Robert Frost

March Quote of the Month By: Colby Mixon

**MARCH 11ᵀᴴ – 15ᵀᴴ**

## Easter Sunday

Easter is the principle holiday or feasts of Christianity. It marks the resurrection of Jesus three days after his death. For many Christian churches, Easter is celebrated as a holiday as it represents the fulfillment of the prophecies of the Old Testament. Easter also celebrates the defeat of death and the hope of salvation. Christian traditions hold that sins of humans were paid for by the death of Jesus.

But when is Easter? Well in 325 the Council of Nicaea decreed that Easter should be on the first Sunday following the full moon after the spring equinox, which is on March 21. Therefore, Easter would fall on any Sunday between March 22nd and April 25th. On the other hand, Easter Orthodox churches use a different calculation based on the Julian calendar. As a result, they celebrate Easter celebrations later than Roman Catholics and Protestants.

Though where does the word Easter come from? The English word *Easter*, which is like the German word *Ostern,* is of unknown origin. Most likely it comes from the Christian designation of Easter week as in *albis. Albis* is a Latin phrase that is the plural of *alba*, which means "dawn". This becomes *eostarum* in Old High German. The Latin and Greek Pascha, which means "Passover", provides the root for Pâques, this is the French word for Easter.

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## Happy Birthday!

### March Birthdays

- March 7th – Teagan Wiggins & Ms. Haire
- March 10th – Paul Hall
- March 28th – Mrs. Tara