

# Quimby Oak Middle School Library Newsletter

March 2021 By Mrs. Marsh mmarsh@eesd.org

## March

**March** is the third month of the year and named after Mars. It is the second of seven months to have a length of 31 days. In the Northern Hemisphere,

the meteorological beginning of spring occurs on the first day of March. March begins on the same day of the week as November and ends on the same day of the week as June every year. March is known for one thing above all others: brackets. March Madness, as the NBA calls it, runs from March 15 to April 6 this year.

Daylight saving time begins, freeing American city-dwellers from the constant refrain of "it's dark before I even leave work."

## Author Highlight

Marissa Meyer



Marissa Meyer was born
February 19, 1984 in Tacoma
Washington. She is the author
of the Lunar Chronicles.
The Lunar Chronicles is a four
book series with volumes
based on the stories
of Cinderella, Little Red Riding
Hood, Rapunzel, and Snow
White.

Her debut novel, *Cinder*, was released on January 3, 2012.

Before writing *Cinder*, Meyer worked as a book editor for five years

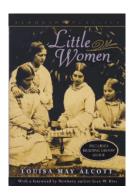
### **Happy Spring**

"In March winter is holding back and spring is pulling forward.

Something holds and something pulls inside of us too." — Jean Hersey

#### **Featured Titles**

#### Little Women by Louisa May Alcott



The four **March** sisters experience joys and sorrows as they grow into young women in nineteenth century New England.

#### The Crossover and Booked by Kwame Alexander

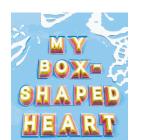
Fourteen-year-old twin basketball stars Josh and Jordan wrestle with highs and lows on and off the court as their father ignores his declining health.

Twelve-year-old Nick loves soccer and hates books, but soon learns the power of words as he wrestles with problems at home, stands up to a bully, and tries to impress the girl of his dreams.





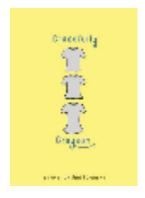
#### **New Titles**



#### My Box-Shaped Heart by Rachael Lucas

"Holly's mom is a hoarder, and Holly is fed up with being picked on at school for being weird ... and having the wrong clothes ... and sticking out. All she wants is to be invisible. She loves swimming, because in the water everyone is the same. Ed goes to the swimming pool because everything else in his life has changed. In his old life he had money, was on the swim team, and knew who he was and what wanted. In his old his dad hit his mom"

### Gracefully Grayson by Ami Polonsky



"Grayson, a transgender twelve-yearold, learns to accept her true identity and share it with the world"



# The Not-So-Spangled Life of Sunita Sen by Mitali Perkins



When her grandparents come for a visit from India to California, thirteen-year-old Sunita finds herself resenting her Indian heritage and embarrassed by the differences she feels between herself and her friends