



Artist's idea of a solar sail for a spacecraft. Sunlight pushes on the sail the same way wind pushes on the sail of a boat. NASA's Space Technology 8 mission is developing and testing solar sail technology. See how toy slinky "technology" helps at spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/st8/sailmast.

## **MARCH 2009**

| SUNDAY  | MONDAY   | TUESDAY           | WEDNESDAY       | THURSDAY  | FRIDAY  | SATURDAY   |
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| Peace Corps<br>founded in 1961.<br>Volunteers learn<br>about Earth's<br>ecology, as will<br>you when you<br>play Earthy word<br>games.    | Dr. Seuss born<br>this day in 1904.<br>Like Green Eggs<br>and Ham? We think<br>you'll like Professor<br>Starr's Dream Trip<br>too.                     | FIRST QUARTER 3   | 4               | 5   | 6   | 7  |
| Daylight Saving<br>Time begins. How<br>can a telescope<br>look back in time?  | Girl Scout Week.<br>Girl Scouts can<br>earn badges at<br>The Space Place!  | FULL MOON 10      | 11              | 12  | 13  | International 14 Ask a Question Day. Maybe you've wondered about the same things others have asked Dr. Marc. Check out his clear, interesting answers. |
| National Quilting 15 Day. What does quilting have to do with being a space mission engineer? Listen to Linda Herrell on Space Place Live! | 16   | St. Patrick's Day | LAST QUARTER 18 | Absolutely 19 Incredible Kid Day. Adults write letters to kids telling them how incredible they are. Every kid who visits The Space Place should get one! | The first day of spring is a good time to learn why the sky is blue.  Vernal Equinox (first day of spring)                  | 21   |
| International<br>Goof-off Day. A<br>great day to make a<br>simple sound cone<br>and go outside to<br>eavesdrop on nature.                 | World Meteor-<br>ological Day. Meteorology is the<br>study of weather. Did<br>you know Earth<br>weather takes place<br>inside of the Sun's<br>weather? | 24                | 25              | NEW MOON 26   | Kite Flying Day. Space engineers are working on a kite for space! They call it a solar sail, but it works in a similar way. | 28   |
| 29  | Take a Walk in the Park Day. Or, if you can't get out, take a virtual walk through the "Land of Magic Windows."  | 31                |                 |   |   | International Listening Awareness Month. Listening makes the world a better place. Practice with our Podcasts.   |

Month of March: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/educators/podcast

Mar. 1: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/earth/wordfind

Mar. 2: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/nmp/starr

Mar. 9: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/girlscouts

Mar. 14: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/phonedrmarc Mar. 15: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/live#herrell Mar. 19: spaceplace.nasa.gov

Mar. 20: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/misrsky/misr\_sky.shtml

Mar. 22: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/tmodact.shtml

Mar. 23: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/goes/spaceweather

Mar. 27: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/st8/sailmast

Mar. 30: spaceplace.nasa.gov/en/kids/chandra.shtml