



Turtle Class August 2016 Calendar

Head Teacher: Mayu

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Special Notes
My First Signs Sign of the Week: Happy	1 Hugs, Please (SE) Car Tracks (ART)	2 Show Me Where It Hurts (COG) Our favorite Signs (LAN)	3 Manners Song (LIT) Silly Mirror Faces (SE)	4 Copy Cat Dancing (PH) Hearing Aids and Ear Protectors (ST)	5 Mommies and Daddies (SS) Ball Rolling 1, 2, 3 (MA)	Carnival at Plum Street August 10th 10:00 am Feel Free to Join US Splash Party Thursday, August 18th City Park Pool 6 – 8 pm Pot Luck and Pool Time!
Baby Signs for Meal Time Sign of the Week: Eat	8 Books with Food (LIT) The Food On My Plate (ST)	9 Shake Your Sillies Out (SE) Sharing with My Friends (MA)	10 Walk to Plum Street School Carnival! 10 am Tactile Table: Spoon Practice (PH)	11 Sign with Me (LAN) Kitchen Sharing (SS)	12 "It's Time to Eat" (COG) Fruit Colors (ART)	
Animal Signs Sign of the Week: Turtle	15 How Many Eyes? (MA) I Can Move Like a ... (PH)	16 Simple Pet Flashcards (LIT) Animal Tracks (ART)	17 "Old MacDonald" (LAN) Gentle Touches with Our Pets (ST)	18 Animal Touch Books (SS) Where Do Pets Live? (COG)	19 I Can Calm My Body (SE) "These are the Pets I Love" (LAN)	
Goodnight Moon Sign of the Week: Sleep	22 Are You Grumpy when You Get Sleepy? (SS) Color Mixing: What Makes Green?	23 Goodnight Hugs (SE) Don't Wake the Teacher (LAN)	24 Music Makers: Loud and Quiet (COG) Hanging Our Socks (ART)	25 Star Stamps (MA) Flashlight Story Time (LIT)	26 Matching Sock Colors (COG) Jump, Jump, Jump! (PH)	
Grandma and Grandpa Smith Sign of the Week: Grandma	29 Gardens in our Neighborhood (ST) The Wheels on the Bus (PH)	30 Mom has a Mom (COG) Sunflower Petals (MA)	31 What Makes Us Happy? (SE) My Movie Poster (ART)	1 The Home I Live in (SS) Cards to Make You Smile (LIT)	2 Shape Blocks (COG) Saying Goodbye (LAN)	

Learning Objective Key: Social-Emotional (SE), Physical (PH), Language (LAN), Cognitive (COG), Literacy (LIT), Mathematics (MA), Science and Technology (ST), Social Studies (SS), Arts (ART)

TURTLE CLASS NEWS

August will be our sign language month in the Turtle classroom. One of our biggest goals is to encourage the children to find ways to communicate with the grownups in their lives as well as the other children. Each child views the signs differently, and it is fun to see what signals they come up with to let us know what it is they want. We also encourage use of sound, saying the words with the hand signs to let the child learn both ways.

Some things we will learn about are favorite foods, table manners, animal sounds, homes, and how to treat our friends and our family members. Please provide a family picture for us to include on our family board so your child can enjoy looking at his or her own family. You can email us a picture (karen@youngpeopleslc.com or yplcturtlelcass@youngpeopleslc.com) or bring one in for us to make a copy of, or we can take a quick picture of you all at pick-up or drop off if this is easier for you.

When the weather is so hot, we will try to include a lot of water play activities and plenty of drink breaks. We also enjoy taking trips to the water fountains at Oak Street with the older classes when we can. Extra clothes and a pair of sandals would be a big help because we know how much the children love to wear their water! Speaking of water, we hope you can join us for the YPLC Family Splash Party on August 17. There is always yummy food and plenty of fun in the cool water.

~Mayu

Developmental Goals

- **Fine Motor** - we will be doing a lot of art projects, finger play songs, sign language, and other fun activities to encourage children to use their fingers and strengthen those muscles.
- **Indoor Voices** - manners are best learned by observing our favorite role models. This month we will be using the turn “indoor voices” to encourage speaking in softer tones when inside with our friends.
- **Screaming Hurts** - I like to explain that screaming scares me because it tells me that you are hurt or in trouble and that screaming hurts our ears, our friends’ ears, etc. We encourage clapping our hands our saying “yay” when we are excited instead of screaming.

Sign Words:

Happy



Eat



Turtle



Sleep

