

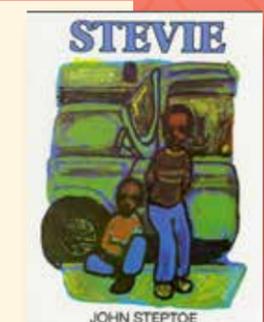
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September 2019

Children's Activity Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Happy Book Birthday to <i>My Footprints</i> by Bao Phi, illustrated by Basia Tran	2 Labor Day: Time to get to work and make a difference. Get inspired by <i>She Spoke: 14 Women Who Raised Their Voices and Changed the World</i> by Kathy MacMillan and Manuela Bernardi, illustrated by Kathrin Honesta.	3 Library Card Sign-Up Month: Your school library might not always have what the students want. Help support the school-home connection by promoting library card sign-up throughout your community.	4 Syd Hoff's Birthday: Ask students where they would take a pet dinosaur if given the opportunity, like Danny experiences in Hoff's classic <i>Danny and the Dinosaur</i> .	5 National Cheese Pizza Day: In honor of this favorite cheesy meal, share fun facts about pizza .	6 Piano Month: While there are many great things you can do with a piano, bringing it to the beach is not one of them. Magnolia may tell you otherwise in <i>If You Ever Want to Bring a Piano to the Beach, Don't!</i> by Elise Parsley.	7 National Salami Day: Maybe it's better not to see how the sausage is made? But this is salami, so here's a video from How to Make Everything in case you're curious.
8 Alison Formento's Birthday: Share one of Formento's <i>These Things Count!</i> books as a springboard for an investigation of nature outside your classroom or school.	9 Classical Music Month: Play classical music while reading <i>Bach to the Rescue!!! How a Rich Dude Who Couldn't Sleep Inspired the Greatest Music Ever</i> by Tom Angleberger, illustrated by Elio.	10 Happy Book Birthday to <i>The End of Something Wonderful: A Practical Guide to a Backyard Funeral</i> by Stephanie V. W. Lucianovic, illustrated by George Ermos	11 National Day of Service and Remembrance: Share one of these beautiful children's books about 9/11 from Book Riot.	12 National Chocolate Milkshake Day: Who makes the best chocolate shakes in your area? Go treat yourself—you deserve it!	13 Positive Thinking Day: Give yourself some TLC today with these 20 Gentle Quotations from Mr. Rogers.	14 John Steptoe's Birthday: Listen to <i>Sesame Street's</i> Gordon read aloud <i>Stevie</i> by John Steptoe in this classic episode .
15 National Hispanic Heritage Month (Sept. 15—Oct. 15): Make a display of #ownvoices picture books and novels by and about Hispanic individuals.	16 National Play-Doh Day: It's easy to make and versatile to play with, and it's something that people of all ages can enjoy. Use the Best Homemade Playdough Recipe to make a batch!	17 Happy Book Birthday to <i>Who Wet My Pants?</i> by Bob Shea, illustrated by Zachariah OHora	18 National Cheeseburger Day: For an extra tasty (or extra stomach-turning) treat, share <i>Sam's Hamburger</i> by David Pelham with your students.	19 International Talk Like a Pirate Day: The folks at We Are Teachers have 7 Ways to Celebrate International Talk Like a Pirate Day that can make celebrating extra fun!	20 Arthur Geisert's Birthday: Learn about Geisert's fascinating use of copper plate etchings to create his picture books in this conversation video from Enchanted Lion.	21 World Gratitude Day: It's not difficult to find things for which you are thankful, if you just take time to consider it. While you and students ponder, share <i>Gracias/Thanks</i> by Pat Mora, illustrated by John Parra.
22 Elephant Appreciation Day: Pair today's celebrating with Mo Williams' <i>Happy Pig Day!</i> from the Elephant and Piggie series, and you've got quite a literary celebration of friends!	23 First Day of Autumn: In your makerspace, provide materials for students to make fall crafts .	24 Happy Book Birthday to <i>Explorers</i> by Matthew Cordell	25 National Comic Book Day: You probably have many graphic novel readers in your library or classroom, but have your students ever read a comic book? What about a webcomic? A comic strip? Share comics of all types today!	26 National Pancake Day: Share the fun picture book <i>Hey, Pancakes!</i> by Tamson Weston, illustrated by Stephen Gammell. Then, take a poll of students' favorite kinds of pancakes or other breakfast treats.	27 G. Brian Karas' Birthday: Share a collection of G. Brian Karas' works including <i>Clever Jack Takes the Cake, Muncha! Muncha! Muncha!</i> , and <i>Ivan: The Remarkable True Story of the Shopping Mall Gorilla</i> .	28 National Good Neighbor Day: Bring some color and joy to your neighborhood with these Random Acts of Art: Crafts to Add Fun to Your Neighborhood from <i>Parents</i> magazine.
29 National Coffee Day: How do you take yours? Enjoy these 38 ways to make perfect coffee .	30 Safety Pin Day: Make friendship pins with your students to share and wear, care of these simple directions from Kinder Art.					



"Music does not have a race or a disposition! Every instrument has a voice that contributes."
 — Pam Muñoz Ryan, *Echo*

