MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA — Melody House is proud to present a groovy new children’s album by...
1. Welcome To School
by Stephen Fite

Welcome to school
I’m glad to see you here
We’ll sing everyday
And we’ll learn throughout the year
Singin’...
La-la-la-la
La-la-la-la-la
La-la-la-la-la
La-la-la-la-la
Come on, come on, come on
And tap your feet with me
Now do them both together
It’s easy as can be
When you do them both together
You’ll do them just like me

Chorus

Activity Suggestions
Use this activity song to start each classroom day on a great note. The chorus is repetitive and the movements are simple and contained within the lyrics. Try playing along during the chorus with different instruments or allow the children to create some rhythmic hand play patterns alone or with partners. Use the song as a springboard for discussion about the exciting things you will be doing together each day.

2. Seven Days A Week
By John Lennon & Paul McCartney
Adapted by Stephen Fite

The week has seven days, yeah
Guess you know it’s true
Hope you know their names, yeah
Just the way I do

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday
Then there’s Saturday
The week has seven days, yeah
Seven days a week

I love every day, yeah
Each one is so fine
One thing I can say, yeah
They always stay in line

Chorus

Activity Suggestions
This is a new “old classic” that you will hopefully enjoy as much as your kids. During the song have the kids say the days with Stephen. Make signs for each day of the week. Have children hold the signs during the song and instruct them to raise their day as it is sung. After the song, scramble the children holding the signs and allow the class to put them back in sequential order. Graph the children’s favorite days.

Just the way I do

Chorus

Seven days a week
I love you
Seven days a week
It’s so much time for us to share
The week has seven days, yeah
Guess you know it’s true
Hope you know their names, yeah
Just the way I do

Chorus

Seven days a week
Seven days a week
3. You Are My Sunshine
Traditional
You are my sunshine
My only sunshine
You make me happy
When skies are gray
You'll never know dear
How much I love you
Please don't take my sunshine away

Activity Suggestions
Use this tune as an opportunity to discuss friendship and love. Have the children write/dictate a letter or story that starts with the words, “You Are My Sunshine because...” During the instrumental section, have the kids play their favorite “air dixieland instruments.” They can choose between piano, drums, banjo, trumpet, trombone, clarinet or tuba.

4. Blues On Kazoo
by Stephen Fite
Hey, boys and girls
All over the world
Let me tell you 'bout
The coolest sound
That I've ever heard
It's called kazoo
And here's what we're gonna do
Now I'll play a line
Then you play it, too
Together we'll play the blues on kazoo
Here we go
You're learnin' how to play the blues on kazoo
Repeat verse
You know how to play the blues on kazoo
You know how to play the blues on kazoo
You know how to play the blues

Activity Suggestions
You will need kazoos for this unique activity. If you don't have kazoos, you can fold wax paper or plain paper around a comb and hum on the paper. After you hear Stephen say, “Here We Go,” have the children copy/repeat every kazoo melody line that Stephen plays. Space has been left after each solo line so that the children can copy it exactly. It may take a few times to get the hang of this activity, but when you do, you'll know how to play the blues on kazoo!

5. The Countdown
by Stephen Fite
It’s the countdown
The number countdown
From one hundred to one
It’s the countdown
The number countdown
We’ll count until we’re done
Everybody’s on the floor
Everybody wants some more
Let’s keep on countin’ them down
Everybody’s havin’ fun
All the way to number one
Let’s keep on countin’ them down

Activity Suggestions
We’re countin’ them down from 100 to 1 and never thought numbers could be such fun! This will be a great supplement for your 100th Day Of School curriculum. The count is divided in half - from 100 to 51 and 50 to 1. During the song, allow the kids to do some disco dancing when they’re not counting.
6. Twelve Months In A Year  
by Stephen Fite

There are twelve months in the year  
Yes indeed, twelve months every year  
Can you say them with me now  
If you can't then let me show you how  
Do you think you know them all by heart  
If you don't then I know where to start  
Now listen one and all  
As we travel through Winter, Spring, Summer, Fall  
We'll say the names in English first  
Then in Espanol  

January - Enero  
February - Febrero  
March - Marzo  
April - Abril  
May - Mayo  
June - Junio  
July - Julio  
August - Agosto  
September - Septiembre  
October - Octubre  
November - Noviembre  
December - Deciembre

Activity Suggestions  
A fun tune that will aid your kids in learning their months in English and Spanish. During the song have the kids repeat the months with Stephen and friends. Adapt and apply curriculum suggestions from Seven Days A Week. Break out the rhythm instruments - shakers, cabasa, etc., and play along.

7. Have Some Fun Today  
by Stephen Fite

Our friends are here  
We're gonna have a good time  
Everywhere  
We're gonna spread some sunshine  
Happy faces  
Time to chase the clouds away  
We work together  
Just the way it should be  
Our voices singing  
Each one in harmony  
Here we go  
We've got a lot to learn today  

Ooh, everyday  
When we sing together  
Everything will be okay  
Ooh, in every way  
We're gonna have some fun today

Activity Suggestions  
This upbeat song can be used as background music during free time, art activities or as a rhythm activity or even during circle time as a jumping off point for a discussion on fun, friendship and togetherness. Have the kids join hands in a circle or clap and sway to the music. Make the line, “We’re Gonna Have Some Fun And Learn Today,” your classroom slogan.

8. Say The Number  
by Stephen Fite

Shoes are tapping  
Everyone's got happy feet

Activity Suggestions  
When I say the word fun  
You say the number one
When I say the word shoe
You say the number two
When I say the word tree
You say the number three
When I say the word door
You say the number four
When I say the word live
You say the number five
When I say the word fix
You say the number six
When I say the word heaven
You say the number seven
When I say the word line
You say the number eight
When I say the word phrase
You say the number ten

Let's do it again
When I say the word pen
You say the number ten
When I say the word line
You say the number nine
When I say the word phrase
You say the number twelve
When I say the word phrase
You say the number thirteen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number fourteen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number fifteen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number sixteen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number seventeen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number eighteen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number nineteen
When I say the word phrase
You say the number twenty

Activity Suggestions
A rockin’ “phonemic awareness” tune that will have your kids bouncin’ in their seats to count from 1 to 10 and back again. After they have learned the song, find and chart other words that rhyme with the numbers in the song.

9. Feelin’ Groovy
by Paul Simon

Slow down
You move to fast
You’ve got to make the morning last
Just skippin’ down the cobblestones
Lookin’ for fun and feelin’ groovy
Feelin’ groovy

Hello lamp post
What you knowin’
I’ve come to watch your flowers growin’

Ain’t you got no rhymes for me
Do-do-do-do
Feelin’ groovy

I’ve got no deeds to do
No promises to keep
I’m dappled and drowsy and ready for sleep
Let the morning time drop all its petals on me
Life I love you
All is groovy
La, la, la, la, la, la, la
La, la, la, la, la, la, la
La, la, la, la, la, la, la
La, la, la, la, la
Feelin’ groovy

Activity Suggestions
This is just one of those songs that is fun to sing. Talk with your children about the meaning of “groovy.” Just in case you are too young to remember: cool, fun, great, exciting, etc. Have a “groovy day” in your class and allow the kids to dress up like the ’60s. Tie Dye Shirts, Cool Glasses, Bell Bottom Jeans, etc.
What’s the weather outside
Can you tell me
What’s it doing outside
Is it sunny, is it cloudy
Is it rainy or dry

What's the weather outside
Can you tell me
What's it doing outside
Sunny, cloudy, rainy, dry
Just look up into the sky
Cold, snow, ice, sleet
Please don't drive on the streets

Activity Suggestions
This funky tune will make your morning circle time weather forecast fun and exciting. Simply plug in the answers when Windy Day, the weather lady, asks you for help. During the weather report, have everybody wear sunglasses when it's sunny outside and leave them off when it's not. Have everybody wipe the imaginary sweat off their forehead when it's hot and wrap their arms around themselves when it's cold. Hold umbrellas when it's raining and hold onto your hair when it's windy. You can think of all sorts of ways to help your kids visualize the weather.

Stand Up
by Gary Cassel & Pam Tims

Red, it's a pretty color
It's bright and red is fun
Is anybody wearing red today
If so stand up

I bet a lot of you are wearing white
You can see white even at night
Look and see if you're wearing white
If so stand up

Now here's a color that's new
Is anyone wearing blue
Now blue can be dark or the lightest you've seen
And how about all of you wearing blue jeans
Come on stand up

Next is the color green
The prettiest color I've seen
Are you the one who's wearing green
If so stand up

Yellow is the color of the sun
It brings a smile to everyone
If you're wearing yellow then you're so much fun
If so stand up

How about orange or brown

Activity Suggestions
This is a simple color reinforcement activity that invites the children to stand up when they hear a color they are wearing. For a little variation, instead of standing have the children call the name of someone wearing the color that is called or have the children point to something around the room that is the color called.

Count On
by Stephen Fite

Count on
When somebody says a number
Count on
Count on from there
Count on
Count two more from that number
**Activity Suggestions**

This participatory counting song was written to drill the children on the sequencing of numbers using a method widely known in the math community as “Counting On.” The first verse of the song gives you examples to follow. The next two verses include blank spots for you to insert numbers from which you and the kids will continue counting two more numerals. Ex: Say the number 3 and then count 3 - 4 - 5. Once the children become comfortable with the concept, try counting on 5 more places during the verses. Just double up on the beats. Ex: Say the number 3 and then count 3 - 4 - 5 - 6 - 7 - 8. Put the kids in groups of 3 or 6 and let the 1st child say the 1st number, the 2nd child say the 2nd number and so on.

**13. School’s Out, Let’s Shout**

by Gary Gassel & Pam Tims

School’s out, let’s shout
Let’s shout hooray
School’s out
Tell me all about today
We played learning games in our school today
Teacher says a job well done
And we all had so much fun, hooray

**Activity Suggestions**

A rockin’ tune that promotes fun and unity and can be used as an end of the day discussion tool to prompt your children to talk about the things you did and learned as a class. There is a long instrumental section during which the kids can give examples of the things they learned and most enjoyed about the day. You can play this song as a daily signal to your class that it’s time to clean up and prepare to leave.

**14. See Ya Later Alligator**

by Stephen Fite

We need some fun new words to say
Each time we go our separate ways
I’m gettin’ bored with goodbye
Hope to see you soon
I found a real cool phrase
We can sing to a rock ‘n roll tune

See ya later alligator
After while crocodile
Every time I hear those words
I’m gonna smile for awhile
See ya later alligator
After while crocodile
So long, farewell, bye-bye

See ya later alligator
After while crocodile
Every time I hear those words
I’m gonna smile for awhile
See ya later alligator
After while crocodile
So long, farewell, bye-bye
So long, farewell, bye-bye
So long, farewell, bye-bye
Bye-bye-bye
Bye-bye-bye-bye
Activity Suggestions
Looking for a cool new way to say goodbye? Then this is the song for you. And your kids will love it, too. Brainstorm with your kids and make up a dance for the solo section or movements for the chorus. Encourage your children to play some piano or guitar during the solo. Whatever you do, just have fun saying bye-bye. And, one more thing—wear some shades.

15. You’ve Got A Friend In Me
by Randy Newman

You’ve got a friend in me
You’ve got a friend in me
When the road looks rough ahead
And you’re miles and miles from your nice warm bed
You just remember what your old pal said
Cause you’ve got a friend in me
You’ve got a friend in me
You’ve got a friend in me

Activity Suggestions
Use this popular movie tune to springboard your class into a discussion on friendship. Sing the song together while holding hands or locking arms together. Have them dictate or write a story about their friends or friendship and what it means to be a friend.