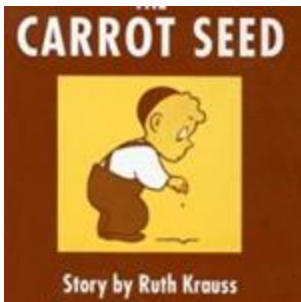


Early Learning Express: August 2017

August on the Early Learning Express is a celebration of garden bounty. Sueño will select from the following group of books to best match the needs and interests of individual groups.

A Closer Look by Mary McCarthy – This book asks young readers to open their eyes and imaginations to guess what we see on the page. The first image is up close and REALLY big, but as pages are turned, we zoom out and discover what one might find in a flower garden.



The Carrot Seed by Ruth Krauss – This classic title tells the story of a little boy who plants a carrot seed, and while everyone tells him it won't come up, he believes it will. With proper care and tending, the boy reaps the rewards of his work.

A Fruit is a Suitcase for Seeds by Jean Richards – Readers learn about how the fruits we love to eat are actually designed to help plants move their seeds around.

Tops and Bottoms by Janet Stevens – Here's a funny tale about a lazy bear and a clever rabbit who become business partners – bear provides the land while hare provides the labor to grow a vegetables. Before planting, hare asks bear if he would like to keep to tops or bottoms of the future crop. Hare plants crops that fill his pantry with food, but robs bear of any nutritional content, based on bear's response.

We finish our story by singing Aiken Drum and creating a unique drawing of a man made up entirely of fruits and vegetables! Each group challenges Sueño's drawing skills with suggestions like broccoli hair, pickle legs, watermelon arms and eggplant arms.

The Early Learning Express will take a break from visits until children have settled into the new school year. We look forward to starting up our new rounds on September 11th! See you then!