Finding Your Village

Parent calendar

PHASE 1: SHARING MY WORLD

September 15 - December 29, 2026 | Tuesdays

SEPTEMBER + OCTOBER

DUE BEFORE THE FIRST GROUP: Complete and bring the Minecraft Club Introduction worksheet, page 5.

HOW GROUP WORKS: The Minecraft Realm remains open play. Victoria provides in-the-moment coaching as natural social situations arise - similar to a lunchroom, playground, or birthday party. Conversation prompts are always optional and support life skills such as public speaking, listening, perspective-taking, and discussing compromise and self-advocacy outside of play. They also create "me too" moments by helping children discover that peers may share experiences with bullying, remembering names, sensory needs, or other challenges. Prompts are shared with parents so families can continue the conversation at home.

DATE	COACHING FOCUS + OPTIONAL CONVERSATION PROMPT	WORKBOOK ASSIGNMENT DUE
Tue Sep 15	Coaching focus: Joining the Realm, asking for help, communicating boundaries, and learning group expectations. Conversation prompt: "What helps you feel comfortable when you join a new group?"	No additional workbook assignment is due.
Tue Sep 22	Coaching focus: Sharing space, listening to peers' ideas, and making a collaborative Realm plan. Conversation prompt: "What is one friendship or group skill you want to practice?"	Phase 1 Goals and Skills, page 6.
Tue Sep 29	Coaching focus: Greeting peers, using names, taking conversational turns, and managing mute and unmute. Conversation prompt: "Do names ever feel hard to remember? What helps you remember them?"	Begin thinking about Show & Tell on October 13. The Executive Function Planning Worksheet, page 7, is due October 13.
Tue Oct 6	Coaching focus: Communicating and respecting boundaries, then repairing small mistakes during play. Conversation prompt: "How can you tell someone to stop? What can you do after a small mistake?"	Reminder: The Executive Function Planning Worksheet for Show & Tell, page 7, is due October 13.
Tue Oct 13	Coaching focus: Speaking to a group, listening while others share, waiting, and asking follow-up questions. Conversation prompt: "What is something important to you, and what would you like others to understand about it?"	Executive Function Planning Worksheet for Show & Tell, page 7, and chosen item.
Tue Oct 20	Coaching focus: Noticing progress, sharing positive feedback, and recognizing peers' strengths. Conversation prompt: "What is one win from your week - big or small?"	No workbook assignment is due. Optional: Children may come to group in costume on October 27.
Tue Oct 27	Coaching focus: Sharing positive experiences while respecting different comfort levels during optional costume play. Conversation prompt: "What is something you are grateful for, proud of, or happy about?"	Daily Gratitude, page 9.

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Tue Nov 3	Coaching focus: Recognizing big emotions and using coping strategies or support during play. Conversation prompt: "Have you ever felt bullied, teased, or left out? What feelings came up, and what helped you feel supported?"	Daily Gratitude, page 9.
Tue Nov 10	Coaching focus: Supporting authentic participation and reducing pressure to mask during social interactions. Conversation prompt: "When do you feel most like yourself? What helps you feel safe enough to be yourself?"	Mid-Phase Reflection, page 8.
Tue Nov 17	Coaching focus: Noticing when support is needed and asking a peer, the group, or Victoria for help. Conversation prompt: "What can make asking for help difficult? What words or signals make it easier?"	No workbook assignment is due.
Tue Nov 24	**Thanksgiving Week: Open Play Day** **No live group.**	Google Meet link is available through the calendar for open play.
Tue Dec 1	Coaching focus: Offering solutions, considering another person's idea, and finding workable compromises. Conversation prompt: "Tell us about a time someone wanted something different. What solutions could work for both people?"	No workbook assignment is due.
Tue Dec 8	Coaching focus: Joining shared play and replacing discouraging self-talk with a more balanced thought. Conversation prompt: "What might your brain say when you worry you will not fit in? What is a fairer thought?"	Challenge Negative Thoughts, page 11. The Holiday Sing-Along will be held December 15.
Tue Dec 15	Coaching focus: Collaborative play, communicating boundaries, and compromising during a group celebration. Conversation prompt: "What helps a group celebration feel comfortable and fun for you?"	Optional: Holiday Sing-Along.
Tue Dec 22	**Christmas Week: Open Play Day** **No live group.**	Google Meet link is available through the calendar for open play.
Tue Dec 29	Coaching focus: Participating in a group decision, expressing a preference, and accepting the final Realm plan. Conversation prompt: "What are you good at, getting better at, and looking forward to next?"	End-of-Phase Reflection, page 12.

Two weeks until the next live group. No group January 5. Group resumes Tuesday, January 12, 2027.