

A few words about babies and Sun signs. The Sun sign describes the qualities and attributes we carry as potential that we **grow into**, rather than how we necessarily are when we are small. A baby responds more from their Moon sign for the first 7 years, and these are the qualities of the Mother. The Sun sign tells us of Father's qualities, and it is his 'messages' and behaviours that will condition the potential of your child as their Sun Sign. So what you read below offers you the chance to support your special new family member toward their adult potential. It is great to find out their Moon and Ascendant signs to add further insight to their potential.

CAPRICORN January 1 to 20 & December 22 to 30

Our 2013 pod of little Caps are loaded with all the best features of this sign, supporting their destiny to leave their mark on the world as the 'builders' who run countries and corporations, or literally build physical structures and communities. They are deep little characters and may need your gentle support to open and reveal their feelings, especially if they feel out of their comfort zone. The January bubs **Jan 1st to 20th** have a strong 'air' component in their makeup so will be highly independent, love new and original ideas and techno gizmos, and don't be surprised over the years as they bring home stray dogs and people as they are also very humanitarian. They will be the generation who bring in a new wave of invention and change into the corporate world. The December **Dec 22nd to 30th** bubs carry a deep sensitivity and connection to home/family as their source of strength, along with a highly charged sense of justice. 'That's not fair' will be a familiar refrain, so careers in law and social justice will be perfect options. All Caps tend to be rather serious little people so connect with your own sense of play and adventure to show them life can be fun along the way.

AQUARIUS January 20 to February 18

Little 'water carriers' march to the beat of a different drum right from the beginning...have you noticed? They are not just contrary for the sake of being tricky, but rather this characteristic is central to their nature, as they are the 'agents of change and reform' of the Zodiac. Their purpose is all about being different, bringing in new ideas, styles and inventions into our world. So get set for some quirky offbeat times as they grow up...the family will never be boring with these little ones coming and going. Little ones born late January are particularly Aquarian with a number of planets in the sign, so need freedom in bucket loads and an unconventional educational environment. The early February treasures come with a softer more sensitive and highly developed intuitive nature. Options to encourage here include directing their natural compassion to the helping healing professions, or some may show early artistic flare and love film and photography. You will love life with an Aquarian child...never a dull moment!

PISCES February 18 to March 20

Fish people are the 'sensitives' of the Zodiac system so their job is to show the world the true spirit of loving compassion in our not so caring material world. But don't assume this means your little fish is a wimp. In fact quite the opposite with this year's baby fish, as with Mars also in Pisces they have a strong will and determination so should be encouraged to independence whenever possible. These are little 'spiritual warriors' who will take action to help and defend less fortunate folks during their lives. Their active imagination should be nurtured as they are artistic dreamers, so support this with art or photography classes and they will love the movies. Their challenge may be to find clear purpose and direction for their inspiration. Get set for an imaginary friend at meal times and they will easily tune in on people and feelings in the 'atmosphere'. These are busy bright little fish who will bring a whole new dimension to your world.

ARIES Mar 21 to Apr 19

Well I hope you're ready for a very busy dynamic next 20 years because your 2013 baby sheep is destined to grow up to be quite a formidable ram! It has been 80+ years since such an alignment of planets in Aries has occurred. Think late 1920s when the spirit of exploration and new technologies changed the world. This is happening again now as this new pod arrives, courtesy of revolutionary Uranus, energiser Mars and sociable Venus also in Aries in 2013. Thus as they become adults in another 30 years it is also their destiny to be pioneers, entrepreneurs and trail blazers who literally change the world. Helping them learn to temper their impulsiveness as you also enjoy sharing their adventures will make for a very interesting life ahead. Their natural charm will be an asset and help them learn that other people matter as much as they do! A quick mind and mouth completes the picture...whoosh it's going to be noisy at your house.

TAURUS Apr 20 to May 20

Your delicious little Taurus person is a creative soul who will bring much beauty and pleasure to your family. Earthy practical Taureans are the artists, singers and musicians who enrich our world, so yes the family taxi service will be in full swing to after school classes. Introduce them to music and singing, brushes and paint, and play-dough and clay as this is also the sign of the artist and sculptor. They need lots of cuddles and to be 'validated' and told they are beautiful and valuable, as they may be a little reticent to believe in themselves easily. They will love nature and green places, so planting their own garden will nurture another potential life path as gardeners and environmentalists...remember they are little cow people! Also like cows they are typically peaceful placid people who need calm spaces, but the 2013 bubs have Mars offering another ingredient in their makeup that energises and activates them more than usual. So their will is strong and supports them to become pioneers in their chosen areas.

GEMINI May 21 to June 20

Communication, networking, and learning are primary Gemini activities, so get set for lots of 'but why?' and 'let's go what's next?' and handing you the keys to the car when they need to go out in the world. Funny little people they are, with a natural inquisitiveness that will make you laugh often as you also wish they would just go to sleep now please! Our 2013 pod also carries another active ingredient that amps these features up via Jupiter in Gemini, which only happens every 12 years. Abundance, luck and good fortune are Jupiter's gift to their potential, and his energy will take them travelling and exploring both mentally and physically. Needless to say education is very important as this is an amazing little group who will be the IT gurus of future times. They will be very busy and stimulated so be aware they need interesting variety in their day and won't take to sitting still for too long. This is not a short coming...just who they are.

CANCER June 21 to July 22

This group of little crabs are born under a lucky star that will help them shine brightly throughout their lives. The star is Jupiter who bestows an optimistic and adventurous spirit and also a tendency to extremes, so help them learn tolerance and finding the middle ground. Introduce them to different cultures and belief systems so they can develop their 'philosophy for life', and indeed this may be an international family who enjoys different communities. Cancers love their home and family, are sensitive and caring and feel things big time, but don't assume this means their feelings are a sign of weakness. On the contrary Cancers are dynamic people who need firm nurturing foundations so they can build useful outcomes in the world. So keep home fires burning for joyful reunions when they fly in after their latest adventure. They are also very charismatic with a flair for drama and playfulness, so performance arts will be fun over the years, and they are natural leaders who will love to motivate others.

LEO July 23 to Aug 22

Your fascinating little lion has an interesting mix of different features that make for not quite the famous roaring lion...i.e. full of themselves and over the top. Yes Leo is the sign of 'the leader', and lead they will, but this is a quieter less ostentatious style of leadership underpinned by the love of serving. With a strong Virgo component we meet a practical analytical kid with a lovely sense of humility who may prefer to be behind the scenes rather than centre stage. They will like things to be clean and tidy, and to know what the plan is for the day, but take care they don't believe they 'have to be perfect' to gain your approval. These cubs are also highly original inventive souls, whose creative gifts need your support to help them believe in their 'right to be successful' and that life does not have to be hard. Leo rules the heart so you have a loving loyal kid who will lead by example and work hard to leave their legacy for a better world.

VIRGO Aug 23 to Sept 22

These little Virgos are loaded with the classic features that make this sign renowned as the 'precision people' whose practical nature loves to create useful contributions to the world. Your small person has a very analytical mind and will love learning how to build and make 'things', so meccano sets are an obvious call...yes even if yours is a she! Thus engineering fields may be excellent life paths, along with professions that allow their natural organisational skills to be front and centre. Help them learn to trust their feelings and instincts to balance their need to 'be perfect' and over think things. Virgo is also the sign of 'health' so fields like naturopathy and medicine fit the long term scheme for these helpful, considerate people. Mind you with a good blast of Leo in their makeup

they are also energetic and dynamic with a touch of the drama prince/princess on occasion, but this also supports the normally quieter Virgo to dare to shine.

LIBRA Sept 23 to Oct 22

Born into times of tremendous social change these little peace makers come equipped with a depth of character so they may really 'make a difference' in decades to come. The planets of power and purpose are strong in their story, so nurturing these qualities will help them find the balance between their innately passive nature, and their challenge to become highly individual and brave. Justice and fairness are Libran hallmarks so 'that's not fair' will become a familiar cry. No surprise then, fields of law and social welfare may be adult outcomes as they are also natural counsellors. Libra's planet is Venus, which we find in Scorpio at their birth bestowing sensitivity and the need for deep and intimate connections with others, so make sure you nurture their self-worth and never expose them to feeling ashamed...of anything. Lovely Librans always like to look good as they are the style people of the Zodiac, thus architecture and fashion design are also life options.

SCORPIO Oct 23 to Nov 21

Ah such a lot of power in one little 2013 package! These deep and sensitive treasures are also incredibly strong courtesy of Saturn, the planet of authority, focus and discipline. So when you look in those 'old Soul' eyes in your tiny person be aware they have a few things to teach you! This small eagle comes from a line of earthy men who are meant to achieve success, to whom reputation is everything, and have the potential for executive-style power all the way to the top. Hey Dad are you listening? The thing is none of us like being bossed around or compelled to do anything, so step lightly with discipline. In fact you may need to help this potentially serious little character learn to lighten up and make mischief. When we add some Virgo to the equation a practical, analytical mind will keep you on your toes, plus a love of serving and helping others...very nice. Ultimately these are water people with a fab dose of intuition and an innate need for spiritual and emotional closeness so they feel safe enough to achieve great things.

SAGITTARIUS Nov 22 to Dec 21

No doubt your world has already turned on its' axis since this splendid little archer arrived, with a blast of fresh energy that will keep you on your toes for the rest of your life! Saggies are the 'seekers of truth and wisdom' in the human experience so they may become the teachers and philosophers who light the way for others. Adventurous and optimistic these free ranging travellers need to expand their horizons both physical and mentally so obviously a good education holds the key to their happiness and success. They will love maps and geography as they are big thinking global beings, and stories of heroes to inspire their courage. What fun you can all have as they become who they are meant to be! Typically this sign is famous for having no boundaries and being a bit extreme, so you'll be pleased to hear they have some Capricorn in their nature that helps them understand that goals are achieved by hard work, focus and commitment.

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