

This summer, Lachat Town Farm is introducing a program for children entering a 4's program through 2nd grade. Our knowledgeable and well-trained staff will safely guide a group of children through exploration, education and fun. Children will have opportunities to interact with nature, express themselves through creative craft projects and play games outside. We will emphasize educational concepts within every activity. Concepts such as; nutrition, sustainable farming techniques, natural resources, agriculture, ecology, purposeful artistic expression, scientific method, weather, cultural awareness, music theory, cooperation, and mindfulness.

All of our activities are age appropriate and will be simplified for the younger group who may be experiencing some of these things for the first time. The younger group is for children ages 3 to 5, and must be 4 by December 1st, 2017 and fully toilet trained. We welcome children entering a 4's program through 2nd grade and they will be grouped by age. This is an all weather and allergy aware program. Please pack an allergy aware snack and lunch for your child to enjoy during the day.

Cost of each weekly session is **\$275**. If the cost of the program deters you from registering, please contact Anastasia Leigh at info@LachatTownFarm.org. We are happy to work with your family to develop a plan. Once the child is registered and payment is made there is no refund given. Donations to Lachat Town Farm are encouraged and welcomed.

Week 1 is "Explore Galore" it will run **July 17th – 21st**. Drop off is **9am** and pick up is **1pm**. Explore Galore opens the gates to discovery and invention. We will explore everything we can at the farm including nature trails, soil composition, animal behavior and so on. Highlights include: hiking, shadow shapes, animal tracks, navigation using stars and meditation.

Week 2 is "Natural Creatures" it will run **July 24th – 28th**. Drop off is **9am** and pick up is **1pm**. Natural Creatures is a theme that focuses on the living organisms that share our ecosystem. Learn how to identify animals and what makes them different: goats, squirrels, jays, chickens, cows, skunk, cats and dogs. We will include entomology: honeybees, lightening bugs, ladybugs, butterflies, ants and worms. We will improve our understanding of plants as well. Highlights include; animal interaction, food chain project, totem pole, bird feeder and insect model building.

Week 3 is Sow and Grow, running from **July 31st – August 4th**. Drop off is **9am** and pick up is **1pm**. During this week children will begin to experience the fruits of the farm. Observation and hands on learning will underscore the process of harvesting ripe

items out of the garden and greenhouse. All stages of plant development will be available to study. Highlights include; pressing flowers, germination station, carrot top, potato battery, roots, leaf morphology and sprout house.

Please drop off registration material to the Lachat Town Farm located at 106 Godfrey Road West, Weston CT or email it to **info@LachatTownFarm.org**. All are welcome.