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MUSCOOT MONTHLY

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SUMMER CAMP AT MUSCOOT FARM: FIVE WEEKS DOWN, TWO TO GO!

So far, we've completed five awesome weeks of summer camp at Muscoot Farm, and we've had nearly 300 fantastic campers join us so far! With two weeks left (camp ends August 15), things are still buzzing with energy. Our 12 counselors have been doing an amazing job keeping kids ages 4 to 12 engaged and learning all about farm life and nature.

We've had all kinds of weather – hot sunny days, thunderstorms, and everything in between – but nothing has stopped our campers or counselors from having a great time. Campers have been busy feeding animals, hiking on trails, exploring the ponds and creeks around the farm, and working in our garden. They have also been involved in fun activities like grooming our horse Haley, walking our pygmy goats on leashes, baking snickerdoodles, and going on history tours to learn about the farm's past.

Each year, the group of counselors we have exceeds our expectations. This year, the crew has brought so many new ideas and activities to camp, making it one of our most successful summers yet. "Being a counselor at Muscoot Farm is so rewarding; I love that I can leave a positive impact on a child's summer and build on their curiosity and appreciation of nature," says counselor Massimo. Coming from another counselor, John, he claims "I was excited for this season for campers to have a lot of fun, but campers were also able to develop essential values which will carry them for a lifetime."

It has been a great summer full of fun and learning for everyone. As camp wraps up in mid-August, the farm will get a bit quieter. But until then, we're making the most of every day with our campers and counselors.

-Jen Campbell, Educator/Camp Director

EXCITING NEWS: OUR FAMILY JUST GOT A LITTLE MORE... GOAT-TASTIC!

We are thrilled to introduce the newest (and most adorable) members of our farm family—four Nigerian Dwarf goats! Our new herd includes two proud moms and their two playful babies, and they've already captured the hearts of our summer campers and staff.

Originally from West Africa, Nigerian Dwarf goats are small but full of personality. These energetic little climbers have cloven (split) hooves and a natural curiosity that keeps them on the move. Since their pen doesn't have trees or rocks to scale, our team got creative and installed large wooden cable spools for them to climb, hop, and play on.

It didn't take long for our goats to feel right at home—or to become the stars of the farm. Next time you visit, come say hello to them in our lower dairy barn.

Muscoot Farm is turning 50 this year! Please consider making a donation towards The Friends of Muscoot Farm to contribute towards the care of our animals, historic preservation, and public programming as we celebrate this big year.

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