**Pint-Sized Farmers Camp 2016 – Itinerary**

Bonner Heritage Farm, Lake County Forest Preserves

Monday – Friday, 9 am – 12 pm

**Monday**

*Down on the Farm*

* Campers start out the day getting to know each other, and learning more about the history of Bonner Farm. They’ll learn about historical farming, as well as what it was like to be a child living on a farm in the 1800s. A reading of the story *Ox-Cart Man* and a hands-on presentation will teach campers more about historic farm families and the items they produced. Farm-themed games and snack time round out this morning, and every morning throughout the week.

**Tuesday**

*Farm Life Past and Present*

* Today campers will continue to explore the occupation of farming, taking it from the past into the present. Campers will try their hand at various historical farm chores, from doing laundry to raising a barn! Later in the morning we’ll change gears and learn more about what it means to be a modern farmer, using modern machines, to help with farm work.

**Wednesday**

*Animals on the Farm*

* What’s a farm without animals? Today campers are in for a real treat! Dairy farming will be the focus of the day (as Bonner farm was once a dairy farm), and campers will get the chance to meet and milk a real live cow during a special presentation. Campers will also learn more about dairy products (including how to make butter) and about other animals that live on a farm.

**Thursday**

*Planting a Seed and Watching It Grow*

* Campers will focus on farm crops and how plants grow. They’ll learn about healthy soil and different parts of plants that we eat. They’ll also plant seeds to take home, and learn all about corn – the a-maize-ing grain – and a major crop in Illinois.

**Friday**

*From Farm to Table*

* For our last day together, campers will learn more about how food makes its way from farms all over the world to their own table. They’ll explore the different products that come from various farm animals, and take a look at just how far food travels before it gets to their homes. We’ll end the morning with games and good-byes.

*If you need to contact the Camp Director during camp hours, call Jennifer Hart at 847-514-6749.*