Dear Wild at Art Campers and Families:

Welcome to our 2023 Wild at Art Summer Camp! Below is some info that you may find helpful!

- **Camp Hours:** Wild at Art Camp begins at **9:15 am** and finishes at **12:15 p.m.** Due to camp prep, we cannot accommodate early drop-offs. Campers may register for lunch bunch, however, and extend their day until 1:15 p.m.

- **Location:** The Wild at Art camp is in our preschool building, which is just past the main Museum Building. For drop off you may park in the preschool lot or either of the lower lots or you may drive up through the drop-off line (as we use for preschool) for curbside drop off. A teacher or staff member will greet you and escort your child to their classroom. Please note that, again this year, parents are not allowed into the classrooms or buildings due to COVID restrictions.

- **First Day of each Session:** Staff will be outside at 9:05 on the first day of each session and we will be available to meet parents & answer any questions you may have about the program. If you have questions prior to your first day of camp, please e-mail our Preschool Camp at mcavalieri@stamfordmuseum.org

- **Check-in & Check-out:** At drop-off & pick-up, however, your child must be escorted by an SM&NC teacher or staff member. If there is someone other the parents who are authorized to pick up your child they must be listed on your camper information form. If changes or additions occur during the course of camp, we must be notified in writing. Please note that we may ask for photo ID from those picking up campers—please have friends and family be prepared.

- **Medical Issues:** Serious medical conditions must be brought to our attention before camp begins. If, for example, your child has an allergy requiring an EpiPen, there are additional documents that you & your child’s doctor must sign before camp begins. All appropriate medical forms & permission agreements with required signatures MUST be submitted one week before the start of your child’s first camp session. No child will be allowed to attend camp unless ALL forms are on file ONE WEEK prior to their first day of camp. Please call 203.977.6531 to set up a time to come in to go over any preschool medication forms.

- **Lunch and Snack:** Please provide a daily bag snack (reusable bags preferred) for your child. We ask that campers come with a reusable water bottle each day. SM&NC is a NUT AWARE camp, so please do not send items with any type of tree nut/peanut product in them; please check labels carefully. Refrigeration is available. If your camper is registered for Lunch Bunch, please send a daily nut-free lunch as well.

- **Dress Code:** Long pants or shorts and a T-shirt are recommended. Since campers will be in the forest and on the farm, open toed shoes, flip flops, or sandals are not allowed. Socks and a pair of sneakers you don’t mind getting dirty are perfect. We also recommend bringing an extra change of clothes. Please be sure that your child arrives at camp with a long-lasting, waterproof sunscreen applied. Due to state regulations, our staff cannot apply sunscreen or bug spray. Please check for ticks at each day’s end!

- **Special Friends:** Depending on age and enrollment, campers will be grouped into 3 classrooms each session. If you would like your child to be in a classroom with one special friend, please make a note of the child’s name on your camper’s forms. Please note that requests must be made by parents of both children to be considered and that requests are not guaranteed, although we will do our best to accommodate.

We are looking forward to meeting you and sharing a memorable summer experience.

Sincerely,

Lisa Monachelli
Director of Education & Camp Director

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