



AMERICAN  
FARM SCHOOL  
Thessaloniki · Greece

# Summer on the Farm



Short presentation of  
educational activities

Our activities, are as always, experiential and coordinated with the international environmental principles such as sustainable farming practices, the necessity for food waste reduction, the renewable sources of energy, the economy of recycling as well as the cyclical use of materials and our actions towards climate change.



**Our greatest asset continues to be our educational farm along with its productive infrastructure.**

Although, fun activities, games, sports, arts and crafts are never missed.

3 age-thematic levels

## For Preschoolers – Toddlers

Our youngest children will explore the farm along the lines of a massive **Treasure Hunt** during which they will discover its **Natural and Nutritional Wealth**.

Walkabouts, observatory sight-seeing, experimental workshops, cooking and crafting in coordination with the program, whether that is the chicken and their eggs, the beehives, the cows and their milk, the vineyard, the orchard, the field of wheat as well as the **House of the traditional Tools** will convey important information regarding the origin of food, the gravity of a balanced diet and reduction of food waste.

The cool and refreshing **Water** games, exploration of the earth and workshops on **Natural Revegetation** withing the A.F.S., workshops with **clay, games** with and activities regarding survival and the «**traditional games with friends and company**» complete our program for Pre-Kin and Kindergarten children.

## For students of Grades 1-3



«**We search for the Treasure**» throughout the farm going through trials until we find it! We **discover** the produce of our farm, such as: Milk, eggs, Olive-Oil, fruits and vegetables, and we **enjoy our tasty food crafts**.

We observe the, truly, great «**Society of Bees**» as we learn about its products, we visit the «**House of Traditional Tools**» and we continue by Kneading healthy **treats from wheat!**

The farm is full of stimuli: the herd of cows and their veal, the brand-new beehives, our small flock of chicken as well as our massive poultry farm, the vegetable garden, the orchards and the granary of the A.F.S. Days filled with action, delicious and artisanal crafts as well as many games!

**The Earth as the source of life**, experiments on erosion, landslides and volcanic eruptions, games and **Activities to Improve Survival** and first aid, the management of **Water** through cool games, artistic crafts with **Clay** and the day of «**Traditional games with company and friends**» complete our program for children of this age group.



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The program for our older children is divided into two thematic units.

### Thematic unit A: “We explore the farm”

This thematic unit includes a “**Grand**” **Exploration** of the farm with many tests and trials, visit to our **production line infrastructure and our livestock**, gastronomic **creations with A.F.S. products**, **Discovery** of the value of traditional cultivation tools from around Greece in the «**House of Traditional Tools**».

A study of the Earth with relevant experiments as well as **Sustainable residential builds** and our favorite **clay workshops**.

### Thematic Unit B: “Conducting Business with consideration for the planet”

In this unit the teams of children will create their very own **Sustainable Business** after they have first conducted through research on the environmental output of various business proposals. **The importance of water management, the economy of recycling and the cyclical use** of materials will all be a part of their research in order to reach truly sustainable Business Principles.

Also, an entire day will be dedicated to **team games and experiential activities regarding first Aid**.

We will seed, through our activities, **the cooperation of the teams**, the exchange of ideas as well as the improvisation of group crafts and games.

After all, it will be summer time....!

### «House of Traditional Tools»

**The «House»** is a two-storey museum space designed with the most modern museological perceptions, it exists in one of the most historic houses in the A.F.S. in 1929 and recently refurbished. There is displayed the, of special cultural value, collection of traditional agri-cultural tools and equipment that are **the life work of memorable A.F.S. friend Pavlos Kontellis**.

The Athenian Academy awarded the collection as well as the album that accompanies it. **Ariane Kontellis**, wife of P. Kontellis, **gifted it to the A.F.S. in honor of her husband’s memory** and with absolute faith that in our space it will be most appreciated. The «House» is already becoming a part of our educational programs.

Partners in “Summer On the Farm”:  
“**KIDS SAVE LIVES**” (First Aids for kids),  
**Agoni Grammi Gonimi** (educational material in accordance with sustainable development GH 2030)  
**Boroume** (for food waste reduction).

