



Tall Pines Tidings

Important Dates

May

- 18 Last day of School for PT 1&2 and Friday class
- 21, 22, 23 Packing the school
- 23 & 24 Last Day of School for M/W and T/Th
- 23 School is packed up by all M/W parents. Bring your child to school at the regular time with a sack lunch with your child's name on it and sunscreen. Parents who are scheduled to work that day will be outside on the playground all day with the children. We will have water-play if the weather is nice. Everyone else will be inside packing up the school.
- 24 School Move Out. All T/Th parents go to Minnie Park at 9:00 am to drop off your children with a sack lunch with your child's name on it, a drink, sunscreen, and good shoes. Then go immediately to school to help pack, move & clean. You will be sent back to the park before 12 to pick up your children. (Minnie park is on the corners of Brighton St, Minnie St, and Butler St, next to the fire station.)
- 24 Ice Cream Social at school outside in the play area. 6:30-7:30 pm. Bring a topping to share.
- 30 Board Meeting. 6 pm at Sarah's.

June 1 – July 5 The school office is closed for a well deserved summer break. We are monitoring the phone off and on so if there is an emergency leave a message.

July

- 20 On Friday, July 20th, the Children's Festival at Pioneer Park in Nevada City. The morning session is from 9-12 and the evening session is from 5-8. This is a wonderful event for children.

August

- 7 Fair Pizza Booth set- up
- 8-12 Nevada County Fair. Tall Pines Pizza booth sales—Don't forget your shift!
- 13 Pizza booth clean-up

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- 28 School Move-In
- 29-31 Orientation -Watch for letter in your home mailbox by Aug. 15th
- 31 Meet your teacher

September

- 4 First day of school for Tues/Thurs classes
- 5 First day of school for Mon/Wed classes
- 7 First day of school for Parent-Toddler classes

President's Message

Hello Tall Pines Families! I want to send a HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who helped volunteer their time and energy for our 50th Anniversary Celebration! It was beyond amazing! We could not have had such a wonderful event if not for our dedicated committee and all of you who volunteered ~ so thank you! I hope you all had as much as fun as we did ☺

I know it is hard to believe, but here we are at the brink of summer! It has been such a fun school year, filled with wonderful memories. Our children will look back on their time spent at Tall Pines Nursery School in awe of the magic that this place holds. We saw that this weekend with so many alumni returning to tell their Tall Pines stories. We truly are a family here at Tall Pines, and the foundation we are laying for our children is priceless. And, this would not be possible if not for our wonderful teachers, whose warm smiles and cuddly hugs greet our children every morning. So, as we finish up another school year, I would like to share a few quotes with you regarding special teachers.

“An understanding heart is everything in a teacher, and cannot be esteemed highly enough. One looks back with appreciation to the brilliant teachers, but with gratitude to those who touched our human feeling. The curriculum is so much necessary raw material, but warmth is the vital element for the growing plant and for the soul of the child.”
-Carl Gustav Jung

“No bubble is so iridescent or floats longer than that blown by the successful teacher.”
-William Osler

Tall Pines Teachers. We Thank You!!!
 Enjoy your summer Everyone
 ~Nicole

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long-lasting school such a rich history in our community. Love to you all~ thanks for sharing your children with us!

♥ ~Teacher Debby
See you soon~

Kerler's Korner

Well...I guess it is that time again! It seems to have come much quicker than usual! It is hard to believe another school year has come to an end...We want to say 'thank-you' for allowing us to be involved in your families preschool experience~ you are truly a blessing to us. Those of you who are off to kindergarten, we wish you the best...You have had great 'training' here at Tall Pines~ don't forget what you have learned!!! Remember the thing your child wants most of you is your TIME and your LOVE--give that to them daily!! And teach our public schools what 'Co-Oping' really looks like!! The children and the schools need you now more than ever!!! And those of you who are returning...we'll see you in a few months--or if you visit the Pioneer Park pool, probably sooner!!! Have a great summer and keep referring your friends to the greatest preschool EVER!!!
Never good-bye...just so-long~

PS~ oh yeah!! Keep using those grocery rebate cards over the summer! We might be on vacation, but the rebate cards are not!!!

~Nancy and Bill. Your friendly business managers

From Teacher Debby...

What a wonderful year with wonderful people to work with. The Tall Pines Board of Directors spends many hours ensuring the school has good policies and is fair with them. So a big thank you to all of you. You make the school strong and healthy. Thank you Tall Pines Board of Directors.

I also can't say enough Thank You's to the 50th Anniversary committee and all the people who stepped up and helped. It was a great success. Everyone I run into around town speaks of the event and what a great time they had. Many great compliments to all of you. Thanks again and again friends!!

To all the parents~ thank you for sharing a special time with your child here at Tall Pines. These are memories and friendships that never end. Your love and hard work will never be forgotten. The families are what makes this

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End of Year Ice Cream Social

I know it's hard to believe the end is near... our last gathering before summer is upon us. You don't want to miss this opportunity for some luscious Baskin Robbin's Ice Cream and the chance at some great raffle prizes. Not to mention a time to visit with parents and let the kids play. Please bring a topping to share.

⚙ Thursday, May 24th, 6:30 pm at school in the patio area.

Teacher Debby's Parent Pages

Encourage Creativity

- ♥ Take time with a child's art.
- ♥ Show respect for the art and the artist's process.
- ♥ Comment on lines, shapes, & colors: "I see you used these colors."
- ♥ Show curiosity: "How did you get this effect here?"
- ♥ Comment on changes: "Your drawings look bigger these days."

- ♥ Ask open-ended questions: "Will you tell me about your picture?"
- ♥ Provide fuel for creativity: "What other materials do you need?"
- ♥ Collect recycled boxes, tubes, and lumber scraps. Make 3D creations.
- ♥ Provide a variety of drawing, painting, and clay materials.
- ♥ Avoid coloring books.

Parent Involvement

Research shows that parent involvement in their child's education is positively related to learning and achievement.

How can parents nurture children's creativity at home? Art can be a wonderful family activity.

Parents who understand the value of art are more likely to keep art supplies at home, designate a household area for "messy art", and become involved in art themselves.

Parents and teachers working together to nurture creativity- imagine the possibilities!

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Summer Activities for Children

Swim Lessons

Penguins Swim Team: 530-265-DIVE, penguinswim.org

Nevada City Recreation Department: City office-530-265-2496 x129, Pool- 530-265-8223
www.nevadacityca.gov/content/parks-recreation Click on 2012 Summer Program Guide.

South Yuba Club: 530-470-9100, www.southyubaclub.com

Summer Camps

Gold Country Gymnastics: 530-273-3680, www.goldcountrygymnastics.com

Rock-n-Horse Ranch: 530-272-3289 www.rocknhorseranch.net

Gold Country Kuk Sool Won: 530-478-1412, www.goldcountrykuksoolwon.com

Many more summer camps and activities can be found in the most recent issue of the Parent Resource Guide publication.

Special Events

Nevada County Library Summer Reading Program: rereading, story time, music and more. Check with your local libraries for days and times!

Music in the Mountains Family Faire: Saturday, June 23

Doors at 10:30am / 11:00am *Peter and the Wolf* concert / 12:00-3:00pm Lunch and Faire Activities.

Call the Box Office to reserve FREE TICKETS (530) 265-6124

Concert in the Amaral Center / Faire on the lawn at the Nevada County Fairgrounds.

Children's Festival: Friday, July 20th at Pioneer Park in Nevada City. 9-12 and 5-8pm. Last year admission was \$3 per person. One of our favorite children's events EVER. Crafts, imagination, a mechanical dragon, a queen, a troll, faeries and more...A MUST!

Sierra Storytelling Festival: July 27-29 at the North Columbia School House in North San Juan.

www.sierrastorytellingfestival.com (530) 265-2826

