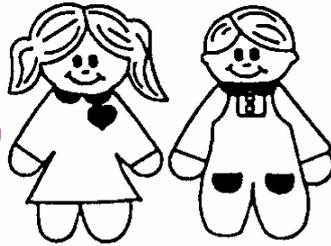


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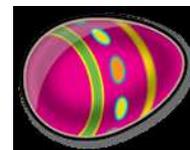
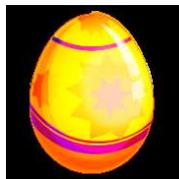
Tall Pines Tidings

Important Dates



March

- 1 March tuition is due – late fee applies after the 10th.
- 1 Olive Oil orders due
- 2 Special Person's Day. **Saturday** 9:30-11 am. More info in cubbies.
- 11 Board Meeting 6:30 pm (at Roundtable)
- 11 Registration is opened to the general public for 2013-14 school year
- 13 & 14 St. Patrick's Day Celebrations
- 15 Hats Off to Wine 7:00-9:00 pm. Indian Springs Tasting Room in Nevada City.
- 18-22 School pictures / during your class –see flyers.
- 20 SVC/CCPPNS Meeting – Folsom. Bright Beginnings
- 21 General Meeting 7 pm at school. Speaker TBA
- 20-21-22 Easter Celebration & Egg Hunt (bring 6 hard-boiled eggs. uncolored)
- 25-29 Spring Break. school is closed.



April

- 1 Return to school
- 1 Tuition due –Late after the 10th
- 8 Board meeting at 6:30 pm at school.
- 20 Bike-a-Thon 10:30 am to 1:30 pm.
- 23 Wild Things at 10:30 –all classes invited –look for flyer.
- 24 Movie Nite on the Tall Pines lawn. movie TBA

Tall Pines Tidings

President's Message

Hello Tall Pines Friends.

It's March and this means getting ready for the mischievous green Leprechauns. I think they are pretty quick and oh so messy...I wonder if one will be caught this year.

Special Person's day is coming Sat. March 2nd. This is a fun day for kids. they get to bring an adult that doesn't get to see the fun they have at school.

Don't forget Hats off to Wine is coming up this month. This event is a great night out for parents and a fun way to support Tall Pines. Be sure to get tickets.

A few reminders: General Meeting is March 21st at 7pm at Tall Pines and Spring break ...school will be out March 25-29.

I hope everyone was a wonderful Easter. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas please don't hesitate to contact me.
~ Sarah

Tall Pines families can save money at *GV*

Smog

Just mention Tall Pines and save \$10 on your next vehicle smog test.

**Call Greg at 274-1533
11641B Nevada City Hwy @ corner of Joerschke**

Business Office

Well, the Business Office continues to be a very busy place these days ~ registration for next school year is in full swing! If you haven't already done so, stop by and pick up a

registration packet for next year. Remember, we give priority to our current membership...but when we open it up to the general public on March 11th, I will no longer be able to hold your spot! Speaking of which, please let your friends know that they will be able to register beginning Monday, March 11th, or if their children are an alumni of the school, Wednesday, March 6th. So, you may be asking what do you need to do to register....?

It's simple, I will need a signed contract plus a check for the registration fees and first month's tuition. You will have the rest of the summer to fill out the remainder of the forms.

Here are the fees
for the 2013-2014 school year:

Registration for the 2 or 3 day per week program ~ \$100

Registration for the PT program ~ \$65

**Please note that the maximum registration per family is \$100

Two-Day per week Tuition ~ \$121 per month

Three-Day per week Tuition ~ \$182 per month

PT Tuition ~ \$50 per month

**Please note these fees are non-refundable ~ and I would be happy to work with you on a payment plan if needed.

During this busy time, you may notice a few more visitors stopping by to check out our program ~ please welcome them and share your reasons for choosing our wonderful school! Thank you again for all you do for Tall Pines!!

Tall Pines Tidings

As always, please ask should you have any questions. And, thank you to everyone for remembering to pay your May's Tuition in February!!

~Your friends in the business office, Nicole, Bill and Nancy.

- Hats Off to Wine, 7 to 9 p.m. March 15 at Indian Springs Tasting Room, Nevada City

- Tall Pines Bike-a-Thon, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 20 at the Fairgrounds

- Spring Movie Night, Wednesday, April 24 at Tall Pines. Movie and time TBA

Fundraising Information

Thank you to everyone for your amazing support and hard work on our olive oil sale! We surpassed our own estimates and doubled last year's sales! Orders will be put in your cubbies March 1. Special thanks to all the volunteers who showed up to help us fill more than 500 bottles. Enjoy!

Coming up in two weeks is our super fun Hats Off to Wine fundraiser where we will taste wines from Indian Springs Winery at their downtown Nevada City tasting room, enjoy scrumptious appetizers and bid on amazing silent auction and raffle items. This year we have some incredible items including: a one week VRBO rental in Santa Cruz, a guided fly-fishing day trip on the Yuba River, a hand-crafted wooden kid's picnic table and many more! So, make it a date night or grab a few friends and take a night off to catch up. Space is limited so get your name on the list quick! Cost for the event is \$25 per person. Simply sign-up and drop your payment in the folder on the easel in front of the kitchen. We hope to see you there!

Mark your calendars! More fun events are coming up soon!

A Quick Note on the Egg Hunt

On your child's Easter party day (M/W classes and T/Th classes) please bring in 6 hardboiled, uncracked, uncolored eggs for children to color and hunt for. We make egg hunting bags in class. No need to bring a basket.

Parent-Toddler classes: please bring 6 plastic eggs with stickers, bunny crackers, etc. but please no candy. Children make their egg collecting bags in class -no need to bring baskets.

Sign up to bring something to share!

Kids are Cooking

March 6 & 7~ Winter porridge

* 13 & 14~ Leprechaun Luncheon

* 20, 21, 22~ Easter celebration and Egg Hunt.

Sign up to bring something

April 3 & 4~ Make trail mix. Go on a hike.

* 10 & 11~ Sunshine pizzas

* 17 & 18~ Let's make toast. Jam, peanut butter, butter.

* 24 & 25~ Milk, cereal & bananas



Teacher Debby's Parent Page

How we Discipline our Children

We always talk about behaviors and discipline. Moms and Dads of small children are somewhat puzzled at times. Many parents lean too much in one direction or the other. Balance can be lost with a tendency to go overboard.

There are three types of discipline: authoritarian, permissive and authoritative.

Authoritarian: even corporal punishment as the guide to conform to the rules. **Permissive:** child is allowed to do what they want with no boundaries. **Authoritative:** Natural consequences to behavior –good or bad.

Some parents feel that if you tell your child “no”, it shows the child they aren't loved. Young children crave boundaries. They want to feel safe and that someone is guiding them in life. But rules and guidelines can be hard work, and keeping consistency in those guidelines can be exhausting.

Children need to feel that good strong adults are in charge. To a child, wise and fair rules mean they are loved. “Someone is watching out for me”. There is one concept that is very important: **Children will only do what you let them do.**

Don't be afraid your child will think you are a little strict, it's a compliment. Be firm and friendly, and really listen to your child. At times, make them part of the process: ask them what they think. They are harder on themselves, more than you think. Let them be responsible for their own behaviors. “I'm really sorry you made that choice”, then walk away.

Be clear, give one warning. The consequences need to be clear. Come back to it; negotiation: “Wow, I really wanted us to go to the park but I

can't be sure you will use your good thinking.” Walk away again. We spend so much time in the negotiation game.

Too many choices are confusing and the message gets lost. Children are designed to go the distance until they get what they want.

You can be firm and strict without using a heavy hand or a harsh tone. Discipline develops through the standards we have, our expectations and reasoning. We do it with the child in mind, to help them understand why society has laws and rules to follow. In my 60 years and 42 of those years being with children I have found that many people feel rules don't apply to them! They are the exception. Wow! What happened? Without saying a word, your standards, your ways and what you think filters into your child. They want to be just like you.

Some of the most important lessons in discipline occur through “**quiet discipline**” between parent and child. There are moments when we are not even aware we are disciplining, yet the child is learning how to act.

Parents who nag too much, who punish too much, on their child all the time...never really get the good behavior they want because they don't use enough “quiet discipline”

Remember to enjoy your children and laugh often. Use humor in a good way, not to make fun of them. All children want is your attention, good or bad! It takes a long time for children to learn good ways of behaving. What kind of parent are you? What kind do you want to be?



~Teacher Debby