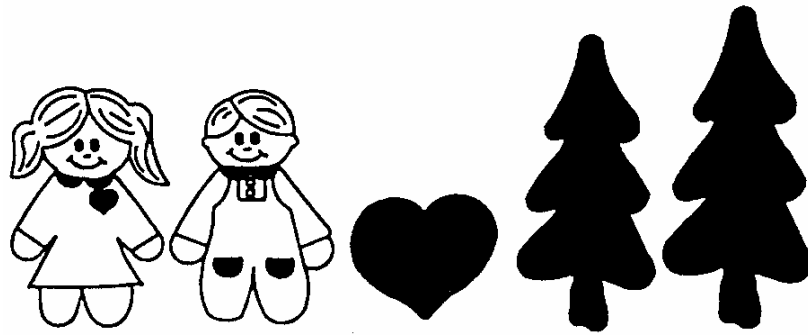


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Dates to Remember

September

- 13 General Meeting 7pm at Tall Pines – Mandatory for at least one parent!
- 15 Day of the Young Child 10am-2pm at Sierra College in Grass Valley
- 17 Board Meeting 6:30pm at Tall Pines
- 19 CCPPNS meeting @ Tall Pines 6pm –Sacramento Valley Council
- 21 Deadline to turn in order for Tall Pines T-Shirt Sale – both kid and adult sizes!

October

- Bulb Sale order forms in your cubby early October !!*
- 1 Monthly tuition due –Late after the 10th
- 3 Movie Nite on the lawn at school. **Lady & the TRAMP** 7 pm
- 2 Spanish begins for T/TH Older \$8 per class
- 3 Spanish begins for M/W Older \$8 per class
- 8 Board Meeting 6:30pm at Tall Pines
- 17 & 18 Pumpkin Patch Bierwagons Chicago Park 9:30 – 11 am. Younger and Older
- 19 Pumpkin Patch Bierwagons Chicago Park 9:30 – 11 am. PT1 and PT2
- 26 PT1 & PT2 classes Halloween celebration during class
- 30 T/TH classes Halloween celebration during class
- 31 M/W classes Halloween celebration during class

A Note from Your Teachers

As we spend the next few months together look for the following:

♥ For your child's growth in their social-emotional area. ♥ The smile on your child's face when they walk into school. ♥ How comfortable and independent they have become. ♥ How far their language has grown. ♥ How they have learned to problem solve. ♥ How they move through the classroom with more ease and confidence. ♥ How they work together as a community. ♥ And at last, how you have come together as a community of adults to encourage together this most wonderful environment.

We the teachers spend much energy to create this wonderful school for this treasured time in a child's life. Thank you for your dedication and love. ~ Teacher Debby, Teacher Michelle & Teacher Kelsey.

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President's Message

Welcome to a new year at Tall Pines. It was great seeing the returning families and meeting the new families at orientation. My name is Sarah Burnett. I will be serving as Board President this year. This will be year 3 at Tall Pines for my family and I. I have come to understand why Tall Pines has been going strong in our community for 50 years, the wonderful teachers and the lifelong friendships that grow between families. I am looking forward to the events that happen during the school year, that give our children such special memories. A piece of advice I would like to pass along, send your child to school in their Tall Pines t-shirt, it's not so bad on the messy days and I have found they love wearing them too. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns throughout the year. To a year of great memories.

~Sarah

From the Office

Well, the business office has been a busy little place these past few days as we have once again made it through orientation and school has begun! Thank you to all of you who have gotten in all of your paperwork as this new school year has started. We know it is a chore at times to complete all the forms but we do appreciate it~ and even more important the State of California appreciates it too--as it really is their forms your are completing. So if you still have a form or two to get in, please do so ASAP!!

Just a quick review~ when you pay your tuition please make sure your child's name and class name are on the check~ with several new families joining us this year, this information is very helpful in the business office.

You might have noticed we have a new face in the business office~ Nicole Kiser will be taking over the Business Manager duties in these next few months...we will be in a training mode for a little while, but before you know it Nicole will be ready to handle it all. For now you will see one of the three of us in the office~ so stop by and say 'Hi' and ask any questions you might have.

We're glad you are here. Welcome to Tall Pines!
Your Business Office Team
~Nicole, Nancy & Bill

Vice-Presidents' Message

Mercedes Ricciardi & Tanya Telford, co-Vice Presidents. Contact us regarding Tall Pines committees and General Meeting attendance.

Hello and Welcome! I am very excited to be sharing the responsibility of Vice President this year with my friend, Tanya Telford. I am looking forward to another great year here at Tall Pines. It is a very special place for my family and me. My son Luca was at Tall Pines for 3 years, and my other son, Nico will be starting the Parent Toddler class. We can't wait to see old friends and make new ones. I am looking forward to meeting all of you and sharing in the wonderful experience that is Tall Pines.

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My name is Tanya and I have two children attending Tall Pines this year. Roka is in Teacher Debby T/Th/F and Yarrow has Teacher Michelle in PTL. I am really excited to be back at TP.

~Mercedes & Tanya

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Big Hello from Your Teachers

A BIG WELCOME from Teacher Debby~

Yeh! What a first week. All your wonderful children came in with smiles and excitement. Welcome back returning families and new families. The school looks wonderful and ready to go. As we work together side by side you will come to understand we are very passionate about what we do at Tall Pines.

Our number one goal is to aide you in understanding what your pre-school child is all about and how to parent your child.

Children need a stable foundation in an environment that is safe, non-stressful and positive. They will grow through the developmental stages and will be successful at

it. I look forward to this journey with you and your child.

I would like to thank you all for the great help in setting up the school. The feeling of community has begun. That's why a parent co-op is so incredible and so worth the time. Remember one of our many tasks with children is to help make their memories. Let's make some good ones. Play is a child's work.

I'll see you at the General Meeting on Sept. 13th at 7 pm at Tall Pines.

♥ ~Teacher Debby, Director

Teacher Kelsey, Younger side Tues- Thurs~
Welcome to School!!!!

There were a few exciting changes this year here at Tall Pines, and one especially big one for me. My name is Kelsey Anderson and I am the new Tuesday/Thursday younger side teacher.

I have been a part of the Tall Pines family for three years as my two wonderful daughters have gone here. My older daughter just started kindergarten and my younger daughter is still here at Tall Pines and is in my class!

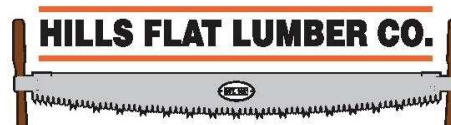
I earned my teaching credential from Sonoma State University in 2004 and worked as a substitute teacher and full-inclusion instructional aide until we relocated to Grass Valley in 2006. We had our first daughter that year and I have been blessed to be a stay-at-home mom since.

Tall Pines' philosophy of play-based learning and child-centered curriculum aligns perfectly with my teaching style. As a family, our experiences at Tall Pines have been magical. My husband and I rank our choice of where we

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have had our own children go to learn and play as one of the best parental choices we have made. I am absolutely thrilled to have a more integral role at Tall Pines and can't wait to get to know all of you this school year!

♥ ~Teacher Kelsey



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Meet your Board of Directors

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Class Reps

Mon Wed Fri Older: Sarah Ricketts

Tues Thu Older: Tegan Phelps

Mon Wed Younger: Jeannette Angell

Tues Thu Younger: Allison Massam

PT 1: Debbie Caddy

PT 2: Jennifer Reagan

Tall Pines Fundraising

Thank you to everyone who participated in our first annual Welcome Back Ice Cream Social! As with all the events we host in support of our school, your participation is what makes them a success and we thank you for kicking off the start of the 2012-13 school year with gusto! For those of you who couldn't make it this time we hope to see you at the many other events we have planned in the coming year including our upcoming fall movie night where the whole family can cuddle up under the stars, eat popcorn and delicious home-made desserts while watching a fun family movie. More details to follow soon! And please also mark your calendars for our upcoming fall bulb sale. This fundraiser is easy to sell with prices at or below nursery prices and 50% of the proceeds go directly to Tall Pines. Start a family tradition of planting bulbs together and help our little preschool at the same time! Bulb order forms will be going out in cubbies at the end of the month. Thank you again for all you do to come out and support our school!

From your fundraising board members,
Brett, Carah and Monique

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Please save the dates for all upcoming events. Look for details in your cubbies and email. And/or go to the Tall Pines website and Facebook page to receive Event Reminders via e-mail!

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Facebook: Tall Pines Nursery School and Tall Pines Event Reminder

Annual T-Shirt Sale

Get yours now! Athletic Heather Grey and royal Blue – T-shirt. Hoodie or Long sleeve. With the Tall Pines logo! Both child and adult sizes available. Order forms available now.

Deadline – Friday, September 21st

Fall Movie Nite

Our first Family Movie Nite.. A Tall Pines' favorite for sure!. Join us on the lawn for Disney's **Lady & the TRAMP** and snacks under the stars! Bring your picnic blanket.

Wednesday, October 3rd 7 pm

Dutch Mills Fall Bulb Sale

Starting in early October – like Girl Scout Cookies... sell 'em to yourself and friends and family. Beautiful Spring flowers – tulips, daffodils and more.

Plant in the Fall for Spring blooms. Tons of fun to plant & fantastic learning for the kids too! Look for order forms in your cubbies or in the Fundraising folder on the kitchen door.

– Deadline in October. TBA.

From your Class Reps

Hi there. We are your class representatives. What a wonderful start to the school year! Enjoying seeing friends again and making new ones. The kids are all so cute and are doing great and having fun! We look forward to making memories with you and your children this year. Our role includes scheduling our work and snack days for each month, communicating with you about school events and news, and helping you be a part of the Tall Pines community in any way that we can. Please contact us anytime to chat about anything.

The reps are:

Mon Wed Fri Older: Sarah Ricketts

Tues Thu Older: Tegan Phelps

Mon Wed Younger: Jeannette Angell

Tues Thu Younger: Allison Massam

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Booklist from TeacherDebby

But Excuse Me That is My Book by Lauren Child

Miss Smith Reads Again. by Michael Garland

Why Did the Chicken Cross the Road?. by ?

Batter Up Wombat. by Helen Lester

Flotsam (Wordless picture book). by David Wiesner

The Adventures of the Dish and the Spoon. by Mini Grey

Can't Catch Me. by John and Ann Hassett

The Gingerbread Cowboy. by Janet Squires

Mama. by Jeanette Winter

Chowder. by Peter Brown

Don't Let the Pigeon Stay Up Late. by Mo Willems

Duck and Goose by Tad Hills

Thank You from Teacher Debby

Did you know that Nevada County Fence installed a new fence donated by Dusty and Sarah Burnett? We **THANK YOU** so very much for the great gift!

Bill, Nancy, Teacher Michelle and Teacher Kelsey: **THANK YOU** for your long hours over Labor Day weekend and your love of children.

THANK YOU to Steve Brown of Round Table Pizza for all your support at the pizza booth. Their staff is wonderful. Next time you order pizza at Round Table please say "Hi" to them!

Teacher Debby's Parents Page

Please save toilet paper tubes for an upcoming class project! Thank you.

Lending Library Information:

Please use the **Sign-out & Sign-In notebook** from the Tall Pines library: Book title, your name, check-out date. Please bring back within one week.

Help for Parents!

Three things to remember if you have difficulty leaving your child at school:

1. They may feed off your anxiety
2. Have good communication with your teacher
3. Be Brave !