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March Newsletter

Dear Parents and Carers,

Polling Day

There are local elections being held on Thursday 2nd May. As the community centre is used as a polling station we are unable to open the Pre-school on that date. Please note the change of date from the original term dates – it is 2nd May, not 9th May as previously advised.

Family Centre

The Children's Centres have now become Family Centres. They would love all families to register with them, so they can keep in touch with events they are running. If you were registered with the Children's Centre previously your details will not have been transferred across so you will need to re-register.

To register with the Family Centre Service: www.hertsfamilycentres.org – go to “sign up and get started”

Bags 2 School

Don't forget our Bags 2 School collection is Tuesday 19th March – please bring your bags of donations in at 9.30am.

Bags For Help – Tesco

Also a reminder that the Pines is one of the nominated charities for this scheme in March & April at Tesco Hertford. Please vote for us.

Change of clothes

Please can you ensure all children have a change of clothes in the setting, even those who are toilet trained. Especially with the summer coming up we are having more water play and they are needing to change into dry clothes.

If anyone has any spare trousers/pants they wish to donate to us, our stocks are now running a little low.

New Staff member

Karen has just started working with us this week. She is well known to us as she lives on Pinehurst and has been a foster carer for a number of years. She will be regularly working one day a week, and will also cover staff absences. We are very pleased to have her join our team.



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Easter Parade

Our traditional Easter Parade will take place on the morning of Tuesday 23rd April (first day back after Easter) at 11.30am and you are all welcome to attend. Please decorate a hat/bonnet with your child and send it in with them on the day. This is meant to be enjoyable so please do not stress, and see a member of staff if you need any help. Please note that hats can be bought cheaply in several of the local pound shops. We will also hold an Easter Egg Hunt after the parade, and just so that the adults don't feel deprived of treats we will be providing hot cross buns and hot drinks!

Easter Raffle

We will be sending raffle tickets home shortly. If you, or your family and friends are able to buy them we would be very grateful, as the funds raised really help us to provide new resources for your children. If you have any suitable items for raffle prizes that you are willing to donate we would also be very appreciative. The raffle will be drawn on the day of the Easter Parade.

Sports Day

We will be holding a sports day in June on the field by Pines Park. This is always a fun morning and parents/carers are encouraged to attend. We are planning on holding this on Tuesday 11th June. In case of bad weather on that day we have a reserve date of Tuesday 18th June.

Term Dates (reminders)

Spring Term ends Friday 5th April

Summer Term begins Tuesday 23rd April (Easter Bonnet parade at 11.30am)

Polling day is Thursday 2nd May

May Bank Holiday is Monday 6th May

Half Term is Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

Summer Term ends Tuesday 23rd July

All that remains is for us to thank you for your continued support.

The Staff at Pines Pre School