

PTO News & Events

Week of February 19, 2024

In the weekly newsletter, you'll find information about upcoming events sponsored by the PTO and fundraisers for events. You can also find information and signups on our website: <https://popepto.org>

Want to know more or have questions about how to volunteer? Please email our Pope PTO VP of Communications, Janet Banas, at info@PopePTO.org

Spring Events Calendar is now available

A calendar featuring the events from the Spring is now available for you to view. ***Please note some date changes have occurred!*** You can find the calendar at the bottom of this newsletter or on the PTO website in the newsletter section.

Need to Order a Yearbook?

Do you still need to order a yearbook? Yearbooks are \$60.00. Visit the PTO website to order. Don't delay and miss out on this chance to capture your child's memories. Only limited quantities will be available for purchase after delivery in May.

Field Day Event Volunteers Needed!

Our Pope Panther Field Days are coming up soon: March 6-8, 2024! Field Day is one of our school's most popular events, and our student have already been practicing showing their pride and the skills for the fun events of the day.

On the day of Field Day, volunteers are needed to assist with equipment set up and change outs, keeping of track homerooms showing PRIDE, assisting Coach Schlosser and Coach Morgan as needed, and/or making an appearance as our mascot, Paws. Please see the SignUp Genius link below to volunteer.

Please note that the 1st & 2nd Grade field trip on March 8 is at the SAME TIME as 4th & 5th Grades' Field Days.

SignUp Genius Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090A45ACA829A0F49-47803502-2024>

5th Grade Memory Book Questionnaire & Photo Submission

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Each student is asked to complete a questionnaire and submit pictures for their personal entry in the memory book and certain themed pages. If you have more than one child in 5th grade, you will need to fill out the questionnaire and send pictures for each child.

Please complete the student questionnaire and picture submission with your student by TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2024.

See the flyer below for more details on how to submit!

Upcoming Dates

02/16	NO SCHOOL
02/19	NO SCHOOL
02/20	5 th Grade Memory Book Questionnaire & Picture Submission Due
02/23	Go Texan Day Pope Spirit Night: iCode
03/01	Read Across America
03/06	Field Day: Kindergarten & 1 st Grade
03/07	Field Day: 2 nd Grade & 3 rd Grade
03/08	Field Day: 4 th Grade & 5 th Grade
03/11-15 SPRING BREAK	

Lost and Found

Our Lost & Found Crew works hard to reunite your student with their missing belongings. Please label each item your student brings to school to assist our Lost and Found Crew in this task.

Check out the Google Drive link for pictures of the items currently without an owner!

Lost & Found Google Drive link: https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/13DC5sZxXBzT9HYw-RVAfBtA6JXyNVmlr?usp=drive_link

See your item in the Lost & Found pictures? Contact our Lost and Found Chair, Kat Neal, at katayount@gmail.com

Submitting Pictures to Yearbook

Please make sure to submit your pictures to the yearbook in a timely manner! We ask that you turn in your pictures no later than 10 days after the event.

- There are two ways you can submit:
 1. Upload via Balfour's website: images.balfour.com using your phone or computer (**RECOMMENDED**)
OR
 2. Upload the Balfour ImageShare app
- Our "Project Number" is: 427093 and leave the "Upload Code" blank
- You can only upload 10 images at a time, so it may take more than one upload if you have a lot. JPEG files preferred; HEIC files may be too large and give you an error.
- Be detailed in your names and captions –
 - Name: John Smith, Jane Doe, 2nd Grade, Ms. Jones
 - Caption: Meet the Teacher
- You can list as many names as you know in the name section. You can always ask your student to help you identify who is in the picture - they'll know names, even if it's just a first name.

If you are an iPhone user and are having problems submitting your pictures through the ImageShare app, please see the "Yearbook Help for iPhone Users" flyer below.

Pope Teacher & Staff Favorites

Want to know what our Pope Teachers and Staff Members really want?? Check out their "Favorites" sheet on the PTO website. Each teacher and staff member has submitted a page with all the details you need to know to brighten their day!

PTO Online Directory is Active

As part of your PTO Membership, you have access to our online directory on our website. Directory information is only available to families with a paid membership and cannot be accessed by the general public. To access the Directory, visit the PTO website and look for the icon on the main menu.

If you have any questions about the online directory or how to edit what information you share with other PTO members, please check out our Online Directory FAQ [here](#)

Volunteering in CFISD & at Pope

When you volunteer at any CFISD campus or Pope, you will want to make sure to sign-in at the Front Desk as a volunteer. This will print "volunteer" on your name tag and automatically log your volunteer hours for you. When you sign in as a "visitor," no volunteer hours are recorded.

- **To sign in as a "volunteer," you must have a volunteer account in the CFISD RAPTOR system.**
 - **If you volunteered last year and had a volunteer name tag:** You should already have an account in place. You can check your account by clicking this link to sign in to the Volunteer Portal: [CFISD Raptor Volunteer Portal](#)
 - **If you are new to volunteering at Pope:** You will need to create an account by following the instructions in the document below called "VIPS Registration, RAPTOR, and Reporting Your Time."
 - If you have any problems logging in or creating an account, please contact CFISD Community Engagement at the phone number listed in the attachment. *Do not call the front desk at Pope - they do not handle this issue.*

Checking your PTO Account & Order Information

Haven't updated your contact information or child's teacher? Not sure if you ordered a yearbook? Visit the PTO webpage and click on the menu button labeled "My Account & PTO Orders," which after you sign in, will bring you to all the information listed for your PTO account, including your student(s) current grade and anything you have ordered through the PTO website. Please make sure your student(s) grade and teacher are updated so that items ordered through the PTO website can be delivered promptly and accurately.



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The PTO Loves our Pope Counselors!



Katrina
Campbell-Cargile



Michelle
Ricketts

Describe what Panther PRIDE means to you?

Panther PRIDE is a who we choose to be! Gaining the knowledge of each trait helps us to be better and also understand what we are providing for others.

Panther P.R.I.D.E means we love, accept, educate and celebrate each other with respect and dignity. We are a close-knit family who provide inclusion for everyone.

If you had a day at Pope to do whatever you wanted for the students, what would it be?

I would choose to provide a morning check in with every single student - either by zoom, high five, handshake or hug! First encounters can really help to gauge where students are and how I could better meet their needs.

Home visits or play games that involve learning about each of the student's backgrounds. Getting to know them better and educating myself on a more personal level about them.

Pope Elementary Spring 2024 Calendar

January

- 1/15 **NO SCHOOL**
- 1/18 SRC DEMO: KINDER HEDGEHOGS
- 1/23 MOTHER GOOSE VISIT: PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN
- 1/24 CLASS PICTURES

February

- 2/2 SRC DEMO: 2ND GRADE ANIMAL BODY COVERINGS
- 2/7 POPE SPIRIT NIGHT: CHICK-FIL-A FRY ROAD
- 2/9 **PRIDE STORE**
- 2/10 SWEETHEART DANCE
- 2/12-16 KINDNESS WEEK
- 2/14 VALENTINE'S EXCHANGE
- 2/14 SRC DEMO: 1ST GRADE SMALL MAMMALS
- 2/15 100TH DAY OF KINDERGARTEN
- 2/16 **NO SCHOOL**
- 2/16 POPE SPIRIT NIGHT: ICODE
- 2/19 **NO SCHOOL**
- 2/23 GO TEXAN DAY

March

- 3/1 READ ACROSS AMERICA
- 3/6 FIELD DAY: KINDERGARTEN & 1ST GRADE
- 3/7 FIELD DAY: 2ND GRADE & 3RD GRADE
- 3/8 FIELD DAY: 4TH GRADE & 5TH GRADE
- 3/11-15 **SPRING BREAK**
- 3/19 POPE SPIRIT NIGHT: SPRING CREEK
- 3/22 **PRIDE STORE**
- 3/22 POPE SPIRIT NIGHT: ADVENTURE KIDS PLAYCARE
- 3/26 SRC DEMO: PRE-K ANIMAL FRIENDS
- 3/29 **NO SCHOOL**

April

- 4/3 POPE SPIRIT NIGHT: CRUST PIZZA
- 4/4 SRC DEMO: 5TH GRADE BIRD STUDY SKINS
- 4/8 SPRING PICTURES
- 4/11 SRC DEMO: 3RD GRADE ARTHROPODS
- 4/13-14 FATHERS-N-FLASHLIGHTS
- 4/15 **NO SCHOOL**
- 4/16 **STAAR TESTING: 5TH GRADE SCIENCE**
- 4/18 **STAAR TESTING: 3RD-5TH GRADE ELAR**
- 4/24 **STAAR TESTING: 3RD - 5TH GRADE MATH**
- 4/26 **PRIDE STORE**
- 4/27 MOM & ME KICKBALL
- 4/30 POPE SPIRIT NIGHT: D'LITES HOUSTON

May

- 5/1 CFISD VIPS APPRECIATION AT MHAB
- TBD POPE VIPS APPRECIATION
- 5/6-10 TEACHER & STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK
- 5/7 2ND GRADE PROGRAM
- 5/10 MUFFINS WITH MOM
- 5/10 SRC DEMO: 5TH GRADE CSI
- 5/17 SRC DEMO: 3RD GRADE AMPHIBIANS
- 5/21 PORTFOLIO NIGHT
- 5/23 SRC DEMO: 4TH GRADE REPTILES
- 5/24 **PRIDE STORE**
- 5/24 SRC DEMO: 2ND GRADE SNAKES
- 5/27 **NO SCHOOL**
- 5/30 5TH GRADE RECOGNITION NIGHT AT BRIDGELAND HS
- 5/31 5TH GRADE PARTY
- 5/31 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**

****ALL DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE.****
QUESTIONS? EMAIL INFO@POPEPTO.ORG



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Student Questionnaire & Photo Submission Link:

<https://forms.gle/1HSLv2BBhfScr5UFA>



NOTE: When you open the link to the questionnaire, you will be prompted to sign into Google. If you do not have a Google account, you will need to create one with your email address to be able to complete the questionnaire and upload your photos. Your student's CFISD Google account cannot be used to complete the form.

What pictures do I need to find before I start my student's submission?

- 3 **REQUIRED** pictures for your student's personal entry in the memory book
 - Pictures can be of your student at Pope or doing something they love outside of school (extracurriculars, hanging out with friends, favorite class, etc.)
 - Please refer to the picture diagram below for placement and picture orientation:

	PAWS PANTHER My favorite memory from Pope is I can't wait for 6th grade because After high school, I plan to In 20 years, I will be	

- 3 **OPTIONAL** pictures for themed pages in the memory book:
 - Baby/Toddler Picture: These will be used on the memory book's "Guess Who?" page
 - Kindergarten Picture: Any Kindergarten picture from wherever your student attended (does not have to be from Pope). This will be used on the memory book's Kindergarten themed page.
 - Favorite Day/Memory of Pope Picture: Submit a picture from your student's favorite day/memory of Pope from ANY of the years they attended here, does not just have to be from 5th grade

ALL PICTURES NEED TO BE SUBMITTED IN HIGH RESOLUTION.

If you have questions or need help, please reach out via email to 5thgradememorybook@popepto.org

Thank you for your help with this project!

5th Grade Memory Book Committee

Valentine's **SPIRIT NIGHT!**

**FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 23
6 - 8:30pm**
@ iCode Cypress Campus

Wear your best pink or red outfit and get ready for an evening of games, delicious pizza, and making new friends! This event is not only about having a great time but also about supporting Pope Elementary.

Call today or enroll online!



**PROCEEDS BENEFIT:
POPE ELEMENTARY**



Spring and
Summer STEM Camps
Now Enrolling!

DETAILS:

- \$35 per Child
- WEAR PINK OR RED
- Minecraft & Roblox
- Pizza and Drinks Included!

Please bring Minecraft and Roblox credentials

REGISTER HERE!



send us your best **SNAPSHOTS** for the **YEARBOOK**

Yearbook photographers can't be everywhere, so if you've got great photos of school events or you and your friends just having fun, please share them with us. The more pictures you share, the better our yearbook will be for everyone! It's easy; submit your photos today!



ImageShare

**WEB BROWSER
VERSION**

(PREFERRED)

images.balfour.com

MOBILE APP VERSION

Search for Balfour ImageShare
in your App marketplace
and download the App.



GETTING STARTED

- Enter our Project Number **427093**. *Upload code is not required.*
- Scroll down and agree to the **Terms & Conditions**
- Click **Start Uploading**
- Enter the student's first and last name and select their grade
- Enter your email address

UPLOADING IMAGES

- Click **Select Photos**
- Choose up to 10 images and click **Open**
- Enter the names and information about the photos
- Click **Upload Photos**
- Your photos will be uploaded directly to the yearbook staff

Note: The yearbook staff will review all photos & determine final yearbook content. We cannot guarantee that all submissions can be used in the book.

Pro Tip: Use the same email address to login on any device to see previous uploads in the History tab.



For more great tips for ImageShare, ask BUZZ at help.balfour.com

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