

PTO News & Events

Week of March 4, 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 Banes, at info@PopePTO.org

Field Day is Coming! March 6-8

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.

Field Day is open to all parents to attend and watch outside on Pope's playground. Please see the attached "2024 Field Day Info" flyer for specific information for students and parents.

Volunteers are still 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.

SignUp Genius Link:

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

Fathers-N-Flashlights: April 13-14, 2024

Pope Elementary PTO's annual Fathers-N-Flashlights is an overnight camp-out for Pope students and their fathers at Oak Meadow Park in Bridgeland. This year Fathers-N-Flashlights will be held on April 13-14, 2024.

Registration is NOW OPEN! Take advantage of Special Pricing March 1-5 before Regular Pricing kicks in on March 6-8. Choose your Camping Adventure as we offer two camping packages: King of the Hill and Happy Camper!

Fathers-N-Flashlights is open to students between the ages of 3-12 and their fathers. This event is open to only Pope families.

Hardship Grants are available for registration. For more information regarding these, please contact Pope Counselor, Michelle Ricketts, at michelle.ricketts@cfisd.net or 281-373-2340.

Have questions about Fathers-N-Flashlights? Please contact the Fathers-N-Flashlights Chair, Bruce Robinson, at FNF@popepto.org

Spring Events Calendar is now available

A calendar featuring the events from the Spring is now available for you to view. You can find the calendar at the bottom of this newsletter or on the PTO website in the newsletter section.

Upcoming Dates

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| 03/01 | Fathers-N-Flashlights Registration Opens |
| 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 | |
| 03/19 | Pope Spirit Night: Spring Creek Barbeque |
| 03/22 | PRIDE Store Pope Spirit Night: Adventure Kids Playcare |
| 03/26 | SRC Demo: Pre-K Animal Friends |
| 03/29 | NO SCHOOL |

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

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.

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.

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](#)

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!

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.



✦ ✦ **LOST
& FOUND** ✦ ✦

**It's time to claim your
student's missing items!**

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works hard to reunite
your student with their
missing belongings.**



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✦ ✦ See your item? Contact our
Lost and Found Chair, Kat Neal,
at katayount@gmail.com

2024 FIELD DAY INFO

REMINDERS FOR STUDENTS:

- ☐ Students should wear their Field Day shirt (or class color), athletic clothes, and closed-toed shoes. *Please check the weather and send jackets and gloves, if needed.*
- ☐ Send a beach towel for your student to sit on **AND** a change of clothes (they will get wet)
- ☐ Students may also bring sunglasses and hats (make sure it has their name inside)
- ☐ Students should apply sunscreen and bug spray on your **AT HOME** that morning!
- ☐ Water will be provided for all students.



REMINDERS FOR PARENTS:

- ☐ Parents are welcome to come cheer us on at Field Day and may begin arriving to the field **15 minutes before** the start of Field Day.
- ☐ Parents & Volunteers must enter through the bus lane drive and gate – the outer perimeter gate will not be unlocked. Do **NOT** go to the front office.
- ☐ Parents should follow the signs to the spectator area and **MUST** stay in the designated roped off area. You are **NOT** allowed on the field.
- ☐ Listen to the Coaches **AT ALL TIMES** as they will be giving important directions throughout our time together.
- ☐ Parents are **NOT** allowed to leave the field with their student(s). All students will return to their classrooms.
- ☐ **Due to schedule changes on Field Day – there will be NO LUNCH VISITORS!**

FIELD DAY SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

Kinder 9:30 - 11:30

1st Grade 1:00 - 3:00

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

2nd Grade 9:30 - 11:30

3rd Grade 1:00 - 3:00

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

4th Grade 9:30 - 11:30

5th Grade 1:00 - 3:00



The safety and well-being of our students and staff is our main priority, so we ask that you please respect Pope's rules and boundaries to ensure our students and staff have a fun and safe Field Day!

POPE ELEMENTARY PTO PRESENTS
FATHERS-N-FLASHLIGHTS



APRIL 13-14
1:30 PM - 8:30 AM

POPE ELEMENTARY PTO'S ANNUAL
FATHERS-N-FLASHLIGHTS IS AN OVERNIGHT
CAMP-OUT FOR POPE STUDENTS PRE-K
THROUGH 5TH GRADE AND THEIR FATHERS
AT OAK MEADOW PARK IN BRIDGELAND.

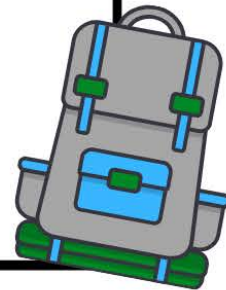


REGISTRATION

REGISTER ONLINE AT
[HTTPS://POPEPTO.ORG](https://POPEPTO.ORG)

SPECIAL PRICING:
MARCH 1-5, 2024

REGULAR PRICING:
MARCH 6-8, 2024



CHOOSE YOUR CAMPING ADVENTURE!
KING OF THE HILL PACKAGE OR HAPPY CAMPER PACKAGE

WHO CAN ATTEND?

STUDENTS BETWEEN THE AGES OF 3-12 WITH THEIR FATHER

THE EVENT IS OPEN TO POPE FAMILIES ONLY

****HARDSHIP GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR REGISTRATION****
PLEASE CONTACT POPE COUNSELOR, MICHELLE RICKETTS,
AT MICHELLE.RICKETTS@CFISD.NET OR 281-373-2340

QUESTIONS? CONTACT FNF CHAIR, BRUCE ROBINSON, AT FNF@POPEPTO.ORG



ONLY \$40!
DINNER &
ICE CREAM
INCLUDED

POPE SPIRIT NIGHT

03/22/24 FRI.
6 P.M. to 12 A.M

For kids ages
4 years to 12 years old!



Support your school!
Drop your kids off for fun
with friends & have some
free time for yourself!

20% OF ALL
STUDENT
SALES GO TO
YOUR
PTO!



10543 FRY RD.
CYPRESS TX
832.974.0684



REGISTRATION REQUIRED :
Use code POPE40 to bypass the
registration fee for this evening of fun!
When you drop off, please let us know
you're there to support your school.

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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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Yearbook Help for iPhone Users

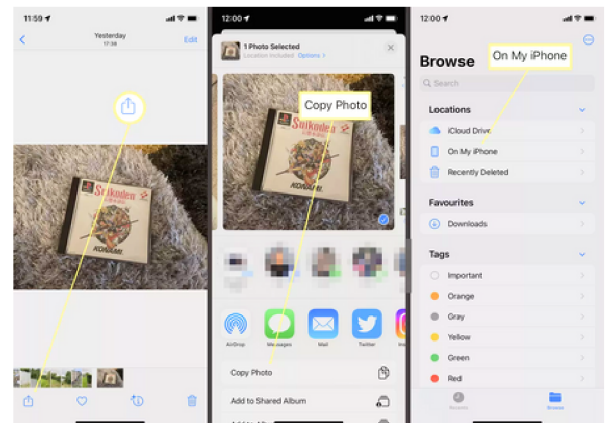
Having trouble uploading your yearbook photos?

The iPhone's HEIC files often give errors when submitting to the ImageShare app. JPEG/JPG files are preferred.

How to Convert HEIC to JPG on iPhone

The iPhone's Files app is one of the quickest ways to convert an image file from HEIC to JPG. Here's how to do it.

1. In the Photos app, find the photo you wish to convert and tap Share.
2. Tap Copy Photo.
3. Open the Files app on your iPhone.
4. Tap On My iPhone.
5. Long-press on an empty area and tap Paste.
6. The photo has now been pasted and automatically converted to JPG.
7. Tap the image to share it or Save Image to save it to your Photos.



How to Permanently Convert to JPG on iPhone

If you would prefer to save all your photos automatically as JPG rather than HEIC, here's how to do so.

1. In the Settings app, tap Camera.
2. Tap Camera. Tip: You may need to scroll down to find Camera.
3. Tap Formats.
4. Tap Most Compatible to save photos automatically as JPG.

