

PTO News & Events

Week of February 6, 2023

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

Fathers-n-Flashlights Registration – February 1-3, 2023

Registration for Fathers-n-Flashlights closes at 11:59pm on Friday, February 3, 2023. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to camp out with your students in Oak Meadow Park all while enjoying awesome activities! Register online at <https://popepto.org>

Lost & Found – Pickup Deadline is February 3, 2023

Missing a jacket, water bottle, or lunch kit? Please have your student check the Lost & Found. All items not claimed by Friday, February 3 will be donated.

Sweetheart Dance Ticket Pickup – Friday, February 3

Ticket pickup will be on **Friday, February 3, 2023 from 11:00am – 1:00pm** in the front of the school where car line is. If you are unable to make this pickup time, there will be a specific check-in line at the dance for those still needing to pick them up. On Saturday, doors open for the dance at 6 PM. An email with a flyer regarding the Events of the Evening was sent out to all ticket holders – it is also attached at the end of this newsletter.

5th Grade Paw Print Painting

All 5th Grade students received their 5th grade class shirt this Thursday! Make sure you check your student's backpack!!

Dates have been set for Paw Print painting. We will offer two sessions for the 5th graders and their parents to come paint their paw:

Saturday, February 11th from 10:00am – 12:00pm or Sunday, February 19th from 3:00 – 5:00pm. An email will be sent out to everyone who

purchased this item with a SignUp Genius for you to RSVP for your date. **If you have any questions about Paw Print painting, please contact Courtney Lammert at CW1007@hotmail.com**

100th Day of Kindergarten - Friday, February 10

The 100th Day of Kindergarten is [Friday February 10th](#). This is a FULL DAY event (8:30 AM – 4:00 PM), and **we need more parent volunteers!** **Only parents who are volunteering may attend this event.**

Want to volunteer? Check out the open volunteer slots on the SignUp Genius link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C49AAA72CA2FB6-100th>

Upcoming Dates

2/1-3 Fathers-N-Flashlights Registration

2/1: PTO Members

2/2: Non-PTO Members

2/3: Registration Ends at 11:59 PM

2/3 Sweetheart Dance
Wristband Pickup
11 AM – 1 PM

2/3 Last Day to claim items from the Lost & Found

2/4 Sweetheart Dance

2/5 Last Day to order a Field Day T-shirt

2/6-10 Penny Wars!

2/10 100th Day of Kindergarten

2/14 Valentine's Day Exchange

2/24 Go Texan Day

2/27 Mother Goose Day

3/2 Dr. Seuss' Birthday

3/4-5 Fathers-N-Flashlights

3/8-10 Field Day

More Watch D.O.G.S. Needed!

There are still plenty of spaces to sign up to be a part of Watch D.O.G.S. If you have volunteered already, you may now sign up to volunteer **AGAIN!!** Please note - If you are going to miss your Watch Dog shift, please email pope@cfisd.net, so they know ahead of time.

Watch D.O.G.S. Signup Link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050d4cafa82aa3fe3-watch1#/>

Coming Soon: Penny Wars! - February 6 – 10

Penny War is a fundraiser where teams compete for the most points. Students/families bring in pennies to place in their team jar for positive points and silver coins to decrease the amount of points in the other teams' jars. We will be competing with Rennell Elementary and Warner Elementary, and all proceeds will be donated to CFISD C.O.P.S Jr. Police Academy. Learn more about the program here:

<https://www.cfisd.net/Page/7857> More details will be coming soon!

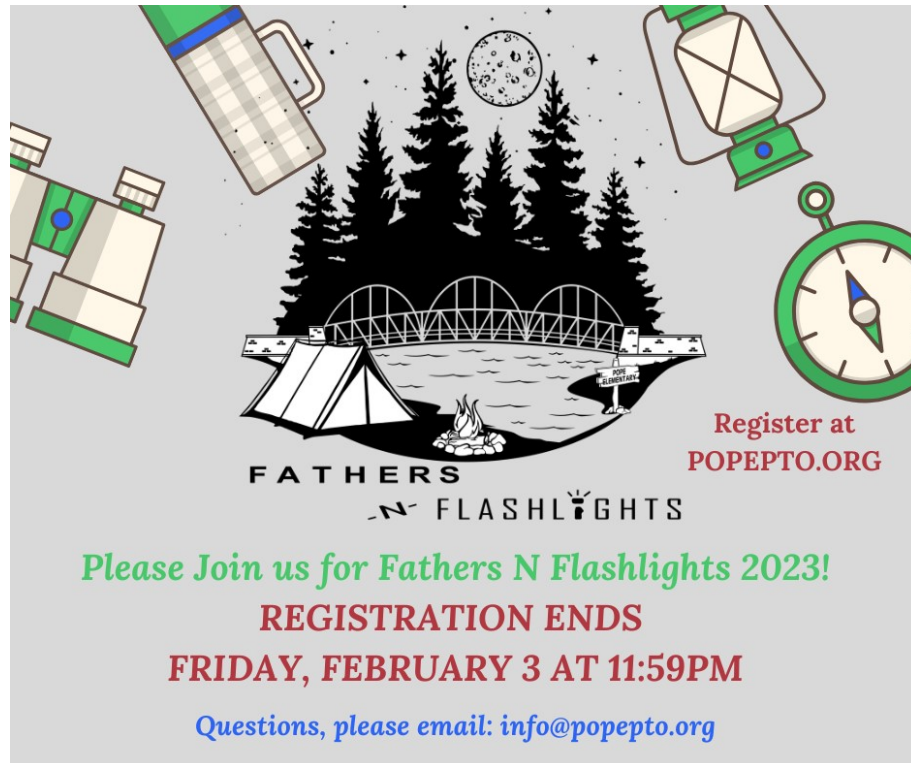
Making a CFISD Volunteer RAPTOR Account - Important!

When you volunteer at 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. You can check to see if you have an account or view your logged hours by clicking this link to sign into the CFISD Volunteer Portal: [CFISD Raptor Volunteer Portal](#). If you do NOT have a volunteer account, then please create one following the instructions found in this document: ["VIPS Registration, RAPTOR, and Reporting Your Time."](#)

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.





Missing a jacket, water bottle, or lunch kit?

Please have your student check the Lost & Found in the cafeteria.

**After Friday, February 3,
all unclaimed items
will be donated.**



Pope's First Annual Sweetheart Dance 2023

TICKET PICK UP - FRIDAY, FEB. 3

CAR RIDER LINE 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM

**PLEASE HAVE THE LAST NAME THAT YOUR TICKETS WERE PURCHASED UNDER
WRITTEN ON A PIECE OF PAPER TO HAND TO OUR TEAM.**

Evening of Event

**DOORS WILL OPEN AT 6:00 P.M. & EVENT ENDS AT 7:30 P.M.
PARKING WILL BE LIMITED. DROP OFF IS HIGHLY ENCOURAGED.**

**DANCE ENTRANCE WILL BE THROUGH SIDE DOORS
FACING THE TEACHER'S PARKING LOT.**

**IF YOU ALREADY HAVE YOUR WRISTBANDS,
STOP BY THE ACCESSORIES TABLE AND COME ON IN!**

**NEED TO PICK UP YOUR WRISTBANDS AT EVENT?
CHECK IN BY YOUR LAST NAME AT THE OUTSIDE TABLES.**

**PLEASE NOTE: YOUR PHOTO OPPORTUNITY TIME WILL BE WRITTEN
ON YOUR WRISTBANDS. YOU WILL NEED TO ENTER THE
GYM AT THAT TIME FOR PICTURES.**

CAFETERIA: DANCE FLOOR AND DJ

ART ROOM: CRAFTS

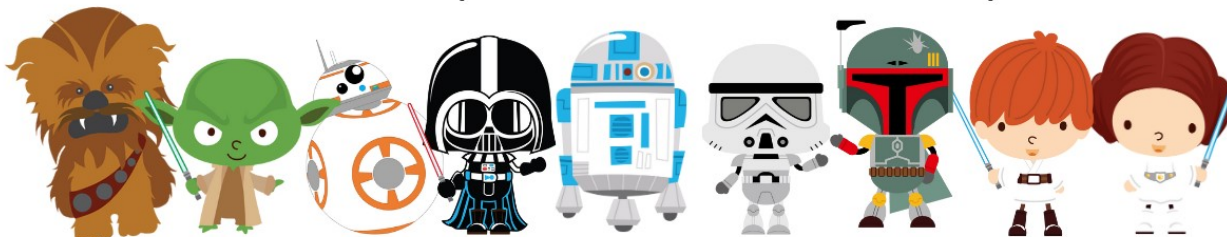
GYM: PHOTO OPPORTUNITIES

MAIN HALLWAY: CUPCAKES, SWEETS, DRINKS, & RAFFLE

YOUR PTO IS HOSTING

PENNY WARS

STARTING MONDAY, FEB 6TH & ENDING FRIDAY, FEB 10TH



WHAT IS IT?

Penny Wars is a fundraiser where teams compete for the most points. Students/families bring in pennies to place in their team jar for positive points and silver coins to decrease the amount of points in other jars.

*We will be competing with Rennell and Warner Elementary and all proceeds outside our costs will be **DONATED** to CFISD Jr. Police Academy! C.O.P.S./Junior Police Academy (cfisd.net)*

HOW IT WORKS/RULES:

- Students are divided into grade-level teams and each grade is assigned a collection jar. Warner and Rennell will also have a collection jar with the grade level ones.
- Jars will be located in the middle hallways on the first and second floors each morning from **8:20 – 8:45AM**.
- Pennies are positive points. All other currency (silver coins) are negative points. **Strategy tip:** Place silver coins in opposing team jars to sabotage them!
- The money in each class jar will be counted daily and the points tallied. Point standings will be announced at the end of each school day.
- The Grades in PK-2 and Grades 3-5 who have the most points at the end of the week will win a **VERY SPECIAL TREAT!**

POINT VALUES:

- Penny: (+) Add 1 point
- Nickel: (-) Subtract 5 points
- Dime: (-) Subtract 10 points
- Quarter: (-) Subtract 25 points

ACADEMIC CONNECTIONS

- Students learn to differentiate coin value.
- Students practice counting money.
- Builds classroom camaraderie.
- New vocabulary – strategy, competition, **SABOTAGE**

PRACTICE AT HOME

- Practice identifying money values and counting money. Older students can practice converting money to Penny War points.
- Have your child total the points that they are planning to donate to their grade level jar. Review the end of day tally sheet to see how many of the total points they contributed.

GRADE LEVEL	JAR MASCOT
PK	C-3PO
K	Boba Fett
1st	Chewy
2nd	BB-8
3rd	R2-D2
4th	Yoda
5th	Luke/Leia
Rennell/ Warner	Darth Vader/Storm- trooper