

NOTICES & REMINDERS

School Photographs

Taking place on 5th November, this year we are trialling individual school photos for ALL pupils rather than just Rec, Y3 and Y6. Please be assured there is absolutely no pressure or expectation to buy these.

We are also offering an opportunity for sibling photographs; please be at school for 3.15pm if you wish to take part in the sibling photos. Please note siblings do not have to yet be school-age.

Please can pupils come in wearing full school uniform on the day..

We are short of

Tinned meat/meals
Fruit juice (long life)
Coffee
Biscuits
Jam
Tinned potatoes
Tinned fruit
Deodorant
Shower gel
Chocolate



Harvest Festival

The Harvest Festival is taking place on 21st October at 1.30 pm at St Peter's Church. The children will then be brought back to school for collection at normal time, 3.25pm.

If you would like to make a donation, they would be gratefully received. Please bring into the office.

The Harvest Festival will be followed by an Art Exhibition for Rec, Y1 and Y2 parents, taking place in the School Hall.

Yr 3&4 Football Tournament

Thank you to all the parents who helped with transport to the football tournament yesterday. The children had a brilliant day and showed real team spirit. Thank you also to Mr Russell who gave up his lunch hour to coach the team!

FOPS News

Black Cat Boogie - there is still time to book a spot at the event of the year!!!

Please use this link: <https://pay.sumup.com/b2c/QODAES18>

FOPS are looking for new committee members - please see info on posters below.

Best Wishes,
Pittton Staff Team

BIRTHDAYS

VALENTINA, AMARU,
WINNIE, HEIDI, EDDIE L
AND FINLAY P

DATES FOR THE DIARY

TERMS 1 & 2

21.10.26 End of term 1

21.10.26 Harvest Festival at 1.30pm at St Peter's Church, followed by YR, 1 and 2 Art Exhibition

21.10.26 Black Cat Boogie 6-7pm

02.11.26 Start of Term 2

05.11.26 School Photos

06.11.26 Open Morning 9.15-11am

WC 09.11.26 Parent Consultations

10.11.26 Flu Immunisations

24.11.26 FOPS AGM

10.12.26 Panto

18.12.26 End of Term 2

This term's value is
Hope

Christian hope is a confident, certain expectation of future eternal life and the fulfilment of God's promises, rather than a mere wish or vague optimism





BLACK CAT BOOGIE



**FEATURING DJ NATALIE FROM
TIBYKIDZ**



Wednesday 21st October 6-1pm

£2.50 per child

**See sumup payment link in Pitton News and
WhatsApp groups**

**Parents of children YR-Y2 will need to stay with
their children please.**

FANCY DRESS OPTIONAL



**SWEETS AND GLITTER TATTOOS WILL BE
AVAILABLE ON THE NIGHT!**



FRIENDS OF PITTON SCHOOL

CHARITY NUMBER 1055557

PITTON SCHOOL, WHITEWAY, PITTON, SP5 1DT



Friends of Pitton School (FOPS) are looking for new committee members. FOPS is run by parents who want to make a positive difference to our school community through fundraising and enrichment activities. We are looking for new people to join the FOPS committee- you don't need previous PTA or trustee experience, and you don't have to know exactly what role you'd like to take on.

FOPS subsidises school trips, coaches and provide additional classroom budgets; without this the school will have to ask parents for greater contributions to all of these things. FOPS needs a full committee to be able to continue. We would really welcome new members to the team. This is the Expression of Interest Form that needs to be completed by 10th November if you want to join the committee:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1_eyQqo6aLosWZygmM0ybN2_Cmv1mzB5ZImPnUK5_9lw/edit

There will be an online vote for positions and the new committee will be announced at the FOPS AGM on 24th November. If you have any questions about any of the roles, please speak to the current committee or email friendsofpittonschool@gmail.com



Friends of Pitton School needs YOU!

FOPS is a group of parents, carers and school staff who work together to support our school and create great experiences for our children. We're always keen to welcome new people and new ideas. You don't need to have been involved in a PTA before, and you don't need to be an expert. We're a team, and we support each other.

Who does what?

CHAIR

The person who helps keep the team on track:

- Leads committee meetings and helps everyone have their say.
- Helps FOPS agree its priorities and plans.
- Supports and encourages volunteers.
- Works with the school and the rest of the committee.
- Helps make sure agreed plans happen.

As a trustee: The Chair shares responsibility with the other trustees for making sure FOPS is well run and acts in the best interests of the charity.

SECRETARY

The person who helps keep everyone organised:

- Organises meetings and agendas.
- Takes and shares meeting notes/minutes.
- Keeps FOPS records up to date.
- Helps keep everyone informed.
- Keeps track of actions and decisions.

As a trustee: The Secretary shares responsibility with the other trustees for good governance and making sure the PTA follows its rules and charitable purpose.

TREASURER

The person who looks after FOPS' money:

- Keeps track of money coming in and going out.
- Provides simple financial updates to the committee.
- Prepares budgets for events and projects.
- Makes sure payments and banking are properly recorded.
- Prepares the annual accounts.

As a trustee: The Treasurer shares responsibility with the other trustees for making sure the PTA's money is safe, properly managed and used for its charitable purpose.

So, what does being a trustee actually mean?

As FOPS is a registered charity, the committee members are also charity trustees. Don't let the word trustee put you off!

It simply means that, as a committee, we have a shared responsibility as a team to make sure the PTA is:

- Doing what it was set up to do.
- Spending its money responsibly.
- Following its rules and the law.
- Making sensible decisions.
- Looking after its resources and reputation.

You don't need to know all of this when you join. You'll be supported, and you'll learn along the way. The FOPS team is just that, the committee and wider FOPS community work together alongside the school, so you are never on your own!

Could this be you?

You would make a great FOPS committee member if you:



Have ideas you'd like to see happen



Enjoy working with other people



Are happy to get involved and have your say



Can spare a little time for meetings and PTA activities



Want to help make a difference to our school community

Come and be part of the team - we'd love to have you!



Pitton Theatre Club Pantomime

Once again, the village pantomime this year includes several of our children (and ex-children) in the cast. It is written by one of our villagers, and is based loosely on the traditional panto 'Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs'.

If previous years are anything to go by, it should be highly entertaining.

You can buy tickets by using the QR code, the website by name, or by email as indicated in the poster.

Don't miss out!

Family and Community Learning

Discover Opportunities - Develop Skills - Achieve Ambitions



Helping My Child with Anxiety and Worry

**Tuesday 20
October
10:00am-12:00pm
Online**



For caregivers of primary-aged children

- Understand how to support wellbeing at home
- Suggestions shared to manage anxiety together
- Positive and realistic help for the family
- Suitable for parents/carers with primary school aged children

Booking closes 7 days before the course start date

**For bookings scan the QR code or contact: 01225 770478
familyandcommunitylearning@wiltshire.gov.uk
<https://workwiltshire.co.uk/family-and-community-learning/>**

Courses are no cost to learners who meet our eligibility criteria. Learners must be aged 19+ years, have a Wiltshire postcode, and meet residency requirements. Learners must also be able to tick one of the following criteria: earning less than £26,800 a year; in receipt of benefits (other than child benefit); be a care leaver, foster carer or carer; be a military family or ex-armed forces personnel; have refugee or asylum status; have a learning difficulty or disability; be looking to work, now or in the future.