



Join PILOTS!

**Are you looking to start a group for children aged between five and 18?
Want a creative, adventurous, crafty and active programme?
Then Pilots is for you!**

What we are

Pilots is a non-uniformed organisation open to all children and young people. Each Pilots group is a 'company', and is part of local church life. Pilots are mainly from a non-church background, so, often, Pilots is their introduction to the Christian faith. Many Pilots companies serve socially and economically deprived areas. The Pilots programme aims to help children and young people grow in confidence, ability, life skills and knowledge. It's a flexible programme that can be adapted to fit your context.

How it works...

Each Pilots session is created by the leaders drawing from four elements:

- **Games** Fun is at the heart of Pilots!
- **Faith** Prayer and worship opportunities are provided.
- **Crest work** Awards in a wide range of areas. There are five categories: prayer, interest, learning, overseas, and talent and service.
- **Projects** Themes or projects run over a few sessions, often leading towards an event.

Support and resources

Ongoing support is available, and companies receive a comprehensive handbook, regular newsletters, printed and web-based resources (including annual projects), branded goods and awards. Regional and denomination-wide events are also offered.

Structure

- **Deckhands (for five to six year olds)**
A programme of one-hour sessions featuring a mix of project work, worship, music, singing, crest and craft work, stories, drama and discovery.
- **Adventurers (for seven to ten year olds)**
A programme of two-hour sessions including all the deckhand elements, and more in-depth crest work.
- **Voyagers (for 11 to 14 year olds)**
An age-appropriate programme focussing on crest work and interests.
- **Navigators (for 15 to 18 year olds)**
A less structured programme of discussions, activities, projects and leadership training.

For more information, call **020 7916 8637**,
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