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Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 24, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

August 24 Curriculum Night (Grades 4 and 5)

September 1 Spirit Day

September 4 No School | Labor Day

September 7 Picture Day

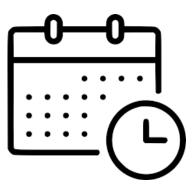
September 15 Half Day

September 23 PSO Binglow Night, 5-7pm

September 25 No School

September 28 PSO Mom Mixer, 6-8:30pm

September 30 Great Hearts Gala



2023-24 SCHOOL CALENDAR

Morning and Afternoon Traffic Reminders

ALL 1st pick-up vehicles should be in the car line by 2:45 pm M, T, Th, F and by 1:50 pm on W.

ALL 2nd pick-up vehicles (any car with a pink tag) should not arrive until after **3:10 pm** M, T, Th, F and after **2:10** pm on W. This includes those cars choosing to park in our lot and wait. Please don't do this. Come after **3:10/2:10 pm**.



There is **NO ENTRY from West World morning or afternoon**. Left turns into the parking lot are not allowed. Any vehicle arriving from the direction of West World will be required to continue past the school and join the car line.

Earlier is better! Arrive before 8:00 am for morning drop-off. The line is much smaller than after 8:00 am.

The **City of Scottsdale Traffic Department** sets our traffic flow, not school personnel. Please hold your ire for your city representatives and not our faculty who care for you and your children.

Front office drop off and pick up is not an option. In order to keep the flow of traffic moving quickly, all cars must drive through the carline.



Businesses adjacent to Archway Scottsdale are private property and it is unsafe for pedestrians (particularly students) to walk through their parking lots and industrial loading zones. It is against the law to

trespass on neighboring private property. It is unsafe and illegal for you to attempt to drop off or pick up from one of these neighboring businesses.



Become a PSO Volunteer

CLICK HERE to see all of our current volunteer opportunities in one convenient place! This includes traffic volunteers, faculty snack donations, and lunch volunteers. Thank you for your interest in supporting our ACS community. To ensure a harmonious and effective collaboration with our dedicated parent volunteers, we have outlined the policies and expectations in the **family handbook**.

An Important Message from Dr. Sciubba

Dear PSO Volunteers.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you in advance for the immense support that you will continue to provide to our school over the course of the coming school year. I just finished attending my first PSO Board Meeting at Archway Scottsdale, and I am energized and humbled by the devotion and dedication our PSO Volunteers have shown over the summer. I also want to take this opportunity to remind us all of the importance of professional dress and comportment as we enter the doors of Archway Scottsdale to volunteer our time in a professional space. As you know, our students are expected to wear uniforms that were chosen on the basis of their embodiment of classical and professional principles that inspire an emphasis on our shared inquiry together. Faculty and Staff are also expected to dress professionally each day and to ensure that our comportment is in keeping with the purpose of our gathering - to cultivate the hearts and minds of students through the study of virtues and timeless truths. It is expected that volunteers display an analogous level of professional dress. It is also expected that we conduct ourselves professionally, including the way that we handle and communicate our experience while serving on campus. We take our commitment to serving our students very seriously, including our commitment to professional confidentiality in matters of student services and discipline. If any volunteer ever has a concern while serving our school, they are encouraged to connect with the front desk or a member of administration rather than communicate prematurely with other parents via text or social media. We will ensure that a member of Archway Scottsdale Administration, Faculty, or Staff resolves any issue that might arise and communicates about that issue promptly and professionally. Again, I cannot thank you enough for the ways that you cultivate community partnerships in service to our students through your volunteerism at Archway Scottsdale!

Sincerely,

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Anthony Sciubba, Ph.D.

*NOTE: All volunteers must apply to volunteer each school year. If you haven't already, please fill out a volunteer application at least 3 days before coming on campus to volunteer to allow time for approval.



ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION

Click here to find out more about the PSO!



Staff Birthday Treats

The PSO provides a monthly treat for all the staff to celebrate the staff birthdays that month. If you are interested in helping to provide a birthday treat, please contact **PSO Faculty Appreciation** for details.

Follow us on social media to stay up to date and connected with our community



Please answer all of the questions or we cannot add you!



Curriculum Night August 24 (grades 4 & 5)

Don't miss this important opportunity to hear from the headmaster and your teachers about your child's curriculum and grade-level expectations. **For parents only: please arrange childcare**.



5:00-5:30 - Presentation in the MPR

Please join us in our Multipurpose room to hear from Dr. Sciubba, one of our specials teachers, Family Giving, and our Parent Service Organization.

* This presentation will be the same on all three curriculum nights. If you are attending multiple nights for children in different grade levels, you only need to attend this presentation once.

5:35-6:05 - Curriculum Overview in Homeroom Classrooms

Homeroom teachers will provide an overview of curriculum and expectations for the year.

6:10-6:30 - Optional Mix and Mingle in the MPR

Parents are welcome to join Dr. Sciubba in the MPR for snacks and an opportunity to chat and mingle!



Galileo Testing for Grades 2-5

Galileo Benchmark testing begins this week! This series of tests is to monitor student progress in math and ELA throughout the year. We appreciate your partnership to make sure students arrive on time and well rested. Please do not schedule appointments during these windows. Thank you!

2nd Grade 8/24, 8/25 - 8:20-10:10 am

3rd Grade 8/21, 8/22 - 11:30 am - 1:10 pm

Hearing and Vision Screenings

Per the Arizona Department of Health guidelines, the school nurses will be conducting hearing and vision screenings over the next several weeks for all students in Kindergarten, 1st, 3rd, and 5th grades. We will also be screening new students in 2nd and 4th grade and students who receive ESS services. If your child wears glasses, please make sure they have them at school. The parent(s) of students who do not pass hearing and vision screening will be notified by the school nurses. If you do not want your child screened, please email the school nurses at healthoffice@archwayscottsdale.org.





Spirit Day is September 1

Show off your Archway Archer pride by wearing your favorite spirit wear shirts along with your regular uniform bottoms. If you ordered spirit wear during the last sale, it will be delivered to your child's classroom next week. Let's make this Spirit Day memorable, exciting, and full of Archer pride!

Order Your ACS Spirit Hats!

Get ready to show off your Archway Scottsdale spirit with our new ACS Spirit Hats! These stylish hats are available for order in both Youth and Adult sizes. Make sure to **place your order** before the deadline on **September 3**. Please keep in mind that while we encourage you to wear your spirit hat proudly outside of school, they are not intended to be worn to school (except for on field day). Order your ACS Spirit Hat today and be a part of the spirited community at Archway Scottsdale!





Scottsdale Prep - First Home Football Game

The Spartans will take on Hopi High School at NAU J. Lawrence Walkup Skydome (Flagstaff, AZ) this Thursday at 4:00pm. Go Spartans!

Great Hearts Day at Chase Field

Join us for another **Great Hearts Day at Chase Field**, Friday, September 1st as the Dbacks take on the Orioles! Enjoy discounted tickets, the National Anthem performed by Great Hearts choir students, and an opportunity to win game day experiences and prizes exclusive to Great Hearts families and friends. We hope to see you at the ballpark!





Picture Day is Coming!

We have photographers coming on Thursday, September 7 to take individual portraits! Please note that we recommend all students wear a white, short sleeve polo with the Archway seal. **No blue shirts or jumpers, please.** Review **our uniform code for hair and accessories** before picture day to avoid having to retake your photo. Families may **order portraits online** or by using the paper forms that will be sent home next week. Also note that class photos are not included in portrait packages and may be purchased separately for \$7.

Used Uniform Sale

Join us for the PSO's Used Uniform Sale, taking place on **Wednesday**, **September 13th**, from **1:00 to 3:15 pm**. The sale will be held at the front of the school. Before or after picking up your students, make sure to swing by and take advantage of this opportunity to stock up on gently used uniforms. Please note that we'll be accepting cash payments only. Don't miss out!





Family Binglow Night

Mark your calendars and join us on Saturday, September 23rd for Bingo with a Glow from 5:00-7:00pm in the Archway MPR! Come dressed in neon and light-up clothing and/or accessories. This is a free event for ACS families. Concessions including pizza, snacks and drinks will be available for purchase during the event (cash only, please).

Please confirm your attendance by singing up here.

We need your help make this event a success...sign up to volunteer!

Does your daughter want to make new friends, hike, camp, learn leadership skills, learn to code, and help serve the community? Girl Scouts do all of those things and so much more!! If your daughter is interested in joining Girl Scouts, fill out our interest form and check out our Pima Neighborhood Blog!



Birthday Book Donations

How do we celebrate student birthdays here at Archway Scottsdale? With a birthday book! Parents may donate a book from **our library's Birthday Book wish list** to be read in the classroom. Labeled with your child's name and birthday, this book is added to our school library for all to enjoy. Please be sure to mark your purchase as a gift and put your child's name, class, and birthday in the gift receipt! If you are unsure if we received your birthday book donation, please **email our librarians** and they will be happy to answer your questions.



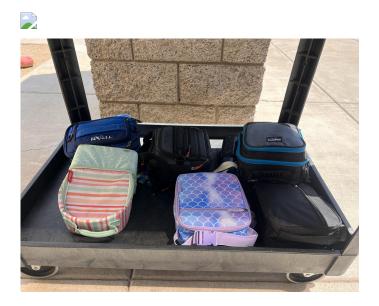


Every Week: Early Release Wednesdays

- Half-Day Kindergarten Students are still dismissed at 11:45 am at the front of the school.
- **Grade K-2 Students** are dismissed at 1:50 pm. Siblings of older students will be held in their classrooms until the second pick-up.
- Grade 3-5 Students and younger siblings are dismissed at 2:15 pm. Parents coming for second pickup should not enter the queue until 2:10 pm.

Please make sure to clearly label your water bottles, lunch boxes, and jackets to help find them easily. Lost & Found items are located on a cart outside the front office during office hours. Please come find your misplaced items today! Items unclaimed for more than two weeks are subject to be donated or discarded.







ACS School Policies

Reporting absences

Please communicate all absences to:

- The front office (email:office@archwayscottsdale.org)
- Your lead homeroom teacher and assistant teacher

Thank you for your help with keeping everyone informed!

Forgotten Items

After school, students are not allowed to re-enter the school after they have been picked up to retrieve forgotten books, lunchboxes, homework, etc. This policy is in place for the safety of students and also to increase the virtue of responsibility in our students.

For the security of our students and faculty, the office staff cannot leave the front office to deliver forgotten lunches, water bottles, or homework and interrupt the classroom learning environment.

While we understand there can be occasional forgotten lunch, we ask all lunches to be delivered by 10:30 am, clearly marked with name, grade and section. Additionally, parents must alert both teachers (lead & assistant) by email that a lunch has been dropped off. If your child has forgotten a water bottle or other materials, please follow the same drop-off guidelines, communicating with your child's teachers via email.

DoorDash, Uber Eats, Grubhub, and similar delivery services are not permitted to deliver for students.



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