

Archway Weekly Update | September 28, 2023

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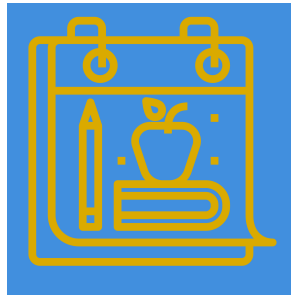
THE ARCHER'S SCROLL
NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 28, 2023

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Upcoming key dates to remember:

- September 28** PSO **Mom Mixer**, 6-8:30pm
- September 29** SPA Homecoming
- September 30** **Great Hearts Gala**
- October 5** PSO **Dads Club Fall Kick-Off**, 5-7pm
- October 6** Spirit Day
- October 9-13** No School, Fall Break
- October 16-20** Half Days & Parent/Teacher Conferences
- October 20** Classical Character Day



2023-24
SCHOOL CALENDAR



UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS!

Families are invited to participate in celebrating the birthdays of our fantastic Archway Scottsdale faculty & staff members. Feel free to encourage your students to create heartfelt handmade cards or extend your thoughtfulness by selecting a gift of your preference to deliver.

FACULTY & STAFF FAVORITE THINGS

October 3 **Ms. Williams | 1C**
October 4 **Mr. Blickstein | ESS**

Traffic Reminders

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.

Please help our dismissal car line run smoothly by arriving at the **correct time** to pick-up your ACS students:

- First pick-up (K-2) should enter the car line by 2:45 pm and no later than 3:00 pm.

- Second pick-up (3-5 and K-2 siblings) should arrive no earlier than 3:10 pm (arriving "early to beat the line" actually creates the backup).



Congratulations to our Archer of the Day!

This student was nominated by their teachers because they are extraordinary students in the classroom and embody what it means to be an Archer. This student consistently demonstrates outstanding qualities that make a positive impact not only in the classroom but also in our greater school community. We are proud of you!

Inez Mozell | 1F

Moms Night Out

Attention all Archer Moms: PSO is hosting a Moms Night out **tonight Thursday, September 28** from **6:00 to 8:00 pm** at Sophia's Kitchen (17050 N Thompson Peak Pkwy Suite 125, Scottsdale, AZ 85255)!

We can't wait to mingle with our fellow Archway Moms! Appetizers will be provided and additional food and drink will be available for purchase.

Please RSVP to the event by signing up [here](#).



October 6 is Spirit Day!

Show off your Archway Archer pride by wearing your favorite spirit wear shirts along with your regular uniform bottoms, shoes, and socks. Let's make this Spirit Day memorable, exciting, and full of Archer pride!

Conference Week Reminders

Parents will receive a digital copy of their student's Quarter 1 report card via email on **Monday, October 16**.

The week of **October 16-20 will be half days all week** to allow time for parent/teacher conferences. Kinder-2nd grade will be dismissed at 11:50am. 3rd-5th grades, K-2 siblings, and SPA walkers will be dismissed at 12:15pm. Conferences are for adults only, please make childcare plans accordingly.



CLASSICAL CHARACTER DAY OCTOBER 20



Classical Character Day

Join us in a celebration of classical literature! Students and faculty are invited to celebrate the virtues and qualities of a literary character they adore or admire by dressing up as that character on **Friday, October 20**. Dressing up is not required, but it is highly encouraged!

Permission slips and guidelines will be sent home in students' green folders on Monday, October 2. **We kindly ask that you fill out and return the permission slip to your homeroom teacher by Wednesday, October 18.**



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, please remember:

- The importance of professional dress and comportment as we enter the doors of Archway Scottsdale to volunteer our time in a professional space
- 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.)

We have outlined the volunteer policies and expectations in the [family handbook](#).



We need your help!

Please consider volunteering for morning traffic...[Sign up to volunteer here!](#)

This vital role is fun, easy, gives you opportunities to get to know the families in your school community, and allows teachers more time to prepare their classrooms for the school day.

All volunteers must complete the GH background check. Click [HERE](#) to complete the application.

*When you arrive for your traffic volunteer shift, please go to the drop-off zone on the south side of the building and check in with Officer Mark and receive a visitor sticker.



**ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE
PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION**

Click here to find out more about the PSO!

 **Arizona Cancer**
Foundation for Children

OCTOBER 2-6
TOY DRIVE for
CHILDHOOD CANCER AWARENESS!

Help Arizona Cancer Foundation for Children stock our shelves with brand new toys and games for children ages 0 to 18.



Join Us in Supporting Childhood Cancer Awareness Month!

September is Childhood Cancer Awareness Month and the ACS PSO is sponsoring a toy drive next week for Arizona Cancer Foundation for Children (ACFC). ACFC provides critical support to families who have a child battling cancer. From October 2-6, please bring in **new, unopened** toys for children of all ages to help stock the toy shop at ACFC. All donations will be given to children with pediatric cancer and their siblings. Bins will be available in front of the school and in the MPR for collection.

MOST WANTED TOYS:

Legos, Superhero items, Barbies, dolls, jewelry making kits, games, toddler toys, sports balls and gift cards for the older kids/teens

You can read more about ACFC and the services they provide on their website <https://azcancerfoundation.org>

Dads Club Fall Kick-Off

Calling all Archway Scottsdale Dads! Join fellow dads on **Thursday, October 5** from **5:00 to 7:00pm** for our first social of the year at The Vig McDowell Mountain in Scottsdale! We will preview Archway Dads events for the year, and have a chance to meet the new Headmaster, Dr. Sciubba.

RSVP to the event by signing up [here!](#)

If you have any questions about the Archway Dads Club, contact Scott at PSODads@archwayscottsdale.org.



Staff Birthday Treats

Each month, the PSO arranges a special treat for the entire faculty & staff to celebrate the birthdays of all the staff members born in that particular month. If you would like to contribute to providing the monthly birthday celebration for the faculty and staff, please contact **PSO Faculty Appreciation** for details and further information.

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!



***We the People* Constitution Day Contest Entries due TOMORROW**

The annual City of Scottsdale Mayor's Constitution contest is kicking off! The *We the People* Constitution Day Contest is a great opportunity to enhance your student's knowledge on the document that established our constitutional democratic republic to protect our basic individual freedoms and promote justice through the rule of the law.

The categories of entries are essays, art pieces, original songs, and educational podcast. If your student is interested in entering the contest, see the following website for prompts and additional information: [City of Scottsdale - Constitution Contest](#)



#GOSPARTANS

Scottsdale Prep Homecoming

Come cheer on the Spartans for Homecoming 2023! The Spartans will play Chandler Prep this **Friday, September 29, at 7 pm** at our home field. Be sure to bring cash for the 50/50 raffle and BBQ Fundraiser! GO SPARTANS!



DID YOU KNOW?

Many employers sponsor **matching gift programs** and will match charitable contributions made by their employees.



**CHECK THE ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE WEBSITE
UNDER “DONATE” TO FIND OUT IF YOUR
EMPLOYER HAS A MATCHING GIFT PROGRAM.**

[Click here to learn more](#)

2023-24 Family Handbook Acknowledgement

We are happy to announce that signing the Family Handbook will be done electronically this year. **This is a requirement for all Archway Scottsdale families.** Please take the time to read our entire family handbook. We revise the handbook annually, so reviewing it is important for returning families, as well as new. The provided handbook clarifies many details essential to being a part of the Archway Scottsdale community. Please use the following link to access the family handbook and complete your electronic acknowledgement: [Family Handbook Acknowledgement Form](#)



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.

Lost and Found

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! **Any items left unclaimed when Fall Break begins will 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.



QUICK LINKS

[Current Volunteer Opportunities](#)

GH Volunteer Application

ACS Family Giving

Family Directory

Family Handbook

Family Resources

Faculty & Staff Favorites

Uniform & Dress Code Policy

Uniform Pictorial Guide

Order Hot Lunch

Birthday Book List

Weekly Email Archives

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