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Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 19, 2023



Upcoming key dates to remember:

- October 16-20 Half Days & Parent/Teacher Conferences
- October 19-26 Order Spirit Wear via Boonli
- October 20 Classical Character Day
- October 25 Portillo's Dine Out Event, 11am-9pm
- October 30 Staff Holiday Appreciation Fund Begins
- November 4 Archway Carnival, 4:30-7:30pm
- November 10 No School | Veteran's Day
- November 15 Used Uniform Sale
- November 20 Q3 Club Registration opens
- November 21 Spirit 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 24 Mr. Pascente | ESS October 26 Mrs. Simons | 3B



Congratulations to our Archers of the Day!

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

Brandon Vaughn | 2D Roman Gear | 4C Eleanor Thielen | 1A Carina Dinu | 3A Eva Kojouharova | 5E Joseph Turner | 2C

Tomorrow is 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 **tomorrow Friday**, **October 20**. Dressing up is not required, but it is highly encouraged!





Conference Week Reminders

Parents should have received 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 will be dismissed at 12:15pm. SPA walkers will be dismissed at 12:35pm. Conferences are for adults only, please make childcare plans accordingly.

Order Your Spirit Wear!

Attention Archway Archers! New spirit wear options are now available and sales are open via Boonli through **October 26**. Youth sweatshirts and t-shirts are being offered in exciting new colors. Also, a special spirit shirt exclusively for 5th grade has been added. Show your Archway Archer pride and **order now** for our next Spirit Day on November 21!

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.



Looking Forward to Cooler Mornings!

Haven't signed up for morning traffic because it's too hot? We are looking forward to cooler temps. Please consider volunteering once a week...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!



The PSO is thrilled to once again host the Archway Scottsdale Carnival on Saturday, November 4, 4:30-7:30pm!

Tickets for the Carnival are available now on your Boonli account - simply login and click the "Fall Carnival Wristband" link. **WRISTBANDS ARE ONLY REQUIRED FOR STUDENTS.** Cost is \$20 on Boonli and \$25 at the door. In order to make this a great event for students, parents and faculty, we're looking for parent volunteers to help with the event. Please see the link below to sign-up.

Purchase Wristbands Here

Volunteers Needed - Sign Up Here

Looking for holiday or birthday gift ideas for your teachers? Raise Right is a wonderful program that saves you money, time and helps our school! You can buy gift cards in bulk, send e-gift cards or even re-load a coffee card whenever you'd like for your favorite teacher! Raise Right is an easy-to-use program, click the link or QR code to get started! Email **PSOrevgen@archwayscottsdale.org** with questions!



Staff Birthday Treats

We would like to send a special thank you to the Hahn and Kolnik families for donating the cupcake treats to celebrate the faculty and staff birthdays for the month of October. Thank you so much for your generosity!

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!

ACS Family Night at the SPA Home Football Game

Join us **tomorrow, Friday, October 20 at 7:00pm** for a spirit filled night to cheer on the Scottsdale Prep Spartans in their last home football game! There will be giveaways for the first 50 Archway students, face painting, and relay races during half time. Please plan to arrive by 6:40pm if your kids want to run through the tunnel with the players before kickoff. **ACS and SPA students enter for free, adult entry is \$5, and non-ACS/SPA student entry is \$3, cash only please**. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Yearbook Ordering is Open

Cherish those school year memories by purchasing an Archway Scottsdale yearbook now! Your family will love flipping through pictures of classmates, teachers and staff, classroom celebrations, field trips, special campus events, and more. And be sure to check out the **EARLY BIRD SPECIAL: All orders before October 31st receive a 10% discount!**

Click this link and to order today!

Galileo Testing for Grades 2-5

Galileo Benchmark testing starts soon! This series of tests is to monitor student progress in math and ELA throughout the year. We appreciate your partnership to ensure students arrive on time and well rested. Please do not schedule appointments during these windows. Thank you! 2nd Grade 10/30, 10/31 - 8:20-10:10am

3rd Grade 11/8, 11/9 - 11:30am-1:10pm 4th Grade 11/6, 11/7 - 8:20-9:50am

5th Grade 11/2, 11/3 – 9:10-11:00am

Archway Scottsdale Community Groups

ACS is eager to facilitate connections among families and parents with common interests.

Do you...Enjoy hiking with your kids on Saturdays and know some great spots? Want to meet some fellow parents for yoga? Or, perhaps you have a passion for golfing at one of the many great courses in town?

We are seeking a dedicated volunteer to lead and coordinate these efforts. If you'd be interested in taking on the role please email **cbuell@archwayscottsdale.org**.





Register for Clubs on November 20!

Registration closes January 5, but due to space limitations, clubs fill up fast. **Sign up on November 20 for your favorites choices!**

Winter Break Basketball Camp

Presented by Jump Athletic

December 26-29 | 9:00am - 3:00pm @ Scottsdale Preparatory Academy

SPA coaches, former college and pro players, and club coaches will host our winter break camp. The camp is for boys and girls 3rd-8th grade. Don't wait too long to register. This camp will sell out. Take advantage of a special Archway discount by putting in code *Archway Winter* at checkout.

Click here to find out more and register!



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).

Bard Competition December 4

A longstanding tradition at Archway Scottsdale of beauty and competition as children memorize and bring life to classical works of poetry from our heritage of great poets, the Bard Competition is born from our curriculum as we strive to include poetry recitation in every grade level throughout the school year.

The first round of the Bard Competition will be held on **Thursday**, **December 14**, **at 4:00pm** in the MPR. Students that wish to participate must **submit a registration form** to Mr. Hull no later than Friday, November 10.





Click here for Archway Scottsdale Tax Credit

A Note About the Winter Concert

There will **not** be a winter concert this school year. All grades will have a concert in the Spring.

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. When you are on campus for your Parent/Teacher Conferences, please check Lost & Found. **Any remaining items will be discarded or donated the week of October 23.**

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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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

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