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Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL
NEWSLETTER

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Upcoming key dates to remember:

November 9 **Registration Forms** due for Bard Competition

November 10 No School | Veteran's Day

November 15 Used Uniform Sale, 1-3 pm & Ling's Wok Shop Dine Out, 12-8 pm

November 16 **ACS Dad's Event**, 6-8:15 pm

November 17 Last Day to Donate to **Harvesting Gratitude Appreciation Fund** & Evereve Style Party, 4-6 pm

November 20 Q3 Club **Registration** Opens

November 21 Spirit Day

November 22-24 Thanksgiving Break | R&R



2023-24
SCHOOL CALENDAR



FACULTY &
STAFF
FAVORITE
THINGS

November 12 **Mrs. Gardner | 4E**
November 15 **Mr. Marrical | Security Officer**
November 16 **Mrs. Hall | 1A**



What is 'Harvesting Gratitude'?

The Harvesting Gratitude Holiday Appreciation Campaign (*formerly known as Snowstorm*) is a special opportunity for families to show their appreciation for our incredible Archway Scottsdale faculty and staff. Archway Scottsdale families come together to offer a collective monetary gift to **ALL** faculty and staff (including specials teachers, ESS staff, administration, front office staff, nurses, etc.) during the holiday season. This gift allows all the remarkable faculty and staff that impact our children's education and daily lives to be given a meaningful monetary gift.

What can you contribute?

A voluntary contribution of \$75 per student would greatly impact their holiday experience and result in a meaningful gift to each teacher and faculty member. Families may contribute more or less; any amount is appreciated. The Harvesting Gratitude monetary gift of thanks will be divided equally among Archway Scottsdale faculty and staff.

The goal is 100% participation and we cannot meet this goal without your participation!

How can you contribute?

Contributions can be made by scanning the QR code above, clicking the button below or by check made out to Archway Scottsdale PSO (memo- Harvesting Gratitude). All checks can be returned to school in your child's go green folder.

GIVE TO HARVESTING GRATITUDE NOW

If you have any questions about the PSO Holiday Appreciation, please direct them to PSOFacultyApp@archwayscottsdale.org.

We appreciate all your support!

Please see some notes on the annual Holiday Appreciation Campaign from our faculty:

"Each year, the holiday appreciation gift means more than the financial blessing it provides. Although staff, especially hourly staff, truly could use the extra funds at that time of year, the appreciation felt when receiving personal notes and seeing the whole community involved gives a spiritual boost for the remainder of the school year."

"The meaningful impact of the holiday appreciation fund is felt equally throughout the school – front office staff, ESS and intervention teachers, administrators, specials teachers – everyone who serves the children gets to be appreciated as fully as they deserve."



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!

Jude Wie | 5C
Isabella Husk | 5D
Brooklyn Brooks | KB

GreatHearts

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Open Enrollment 2024-25

November 6 – December 8

Do you have a little one ready for Kindergarten or a sibling you would like to join Archway Scottsdale for 2024-2025?

Submit an application any time during Open Enrollment to be included in the enrollment lottery on January 18, 2024. Siblings will receive a Sibling Priority.

Do you have a 5th grade student who will be attending Scottsdale Prep for 6th grade next fall? You will need to **submit an application** for Scottsdale Prep during the Open Enrollment window. All graduating 5th graders will receive an Archway Graduate Priority for Scottsdale Prep.

Please do not apply for your current K-4 returning students.

Re-enrollment for all K-4 students will happen in March and further information will be forthcoming.

Our first round of offers for 2024-2025 will go out on January 18, 2024!

APPLY HERE BEFORE DECEMBER 8

Questions? Please reach out to Keli King at kking@archwayscottsdale.org
or (480) 776-0413 for further details.

Used Uniform Sale

Join us for the PSO's Used Uniform Sale, taking place on **Wednesday, November 15th**, 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!



Join Us for Our Next PSO Dine Out Event!

Wednesday, November 15th
12:00 to 8:00 pm
20511 Hayden Rd, #100
Scottsdale, AZ 85255

We hope to see you there!

Students Leaving Early Procedure

We do not call students out of class before parents arrive on campus. Please give yourself time to find a parking spot, come into the lobby, let us know that you are signing your student out, and give them time to get packed up before they come to the office to meet you.



Uniform and Dress Code Reminders

Questions about uniforms or dress code?
Email uniforms@archwayscottsdale.org



As the weather cools, more students are dressing warmly for school. As a reminder, unless it is a HEAVY WINTER JACKET due to cold weather, **ALL outerwear** worn in the classroom or outside must be from the approved uniform vendors (**Anton** or **Dennis**) and have a school crest (fleece jackets, sweatshirts, sweaters, etc.). Outerwear without emblems (hoodies, sweaters, etc.) are not permissible. Please note that the Spirit Wear pullover sweatshirts (with "Archers" on the front) are not permissible except on advertised Spirit Days. Please review the **uniform policy** and **pictorial guide** if you have any questions.



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**.



ARCHWAY SCOTTSDALE PARENT SERVICE ORGANIZATION

Click here to find out more about the PSO!



ATTENTION Archway Dads!

We invite you to join other Archway dads on **November 16 at 6:00 pm** for a great night together featuring dinner followed by speaker Dr. Don Worcester as he shares on the topic of "Parenting with Purpose: Loving & Launching Adolescent Kids."

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 [this link](#) or scan the QR code below to get started! Email PSOevgen@archwayscottsdale.org with questions!



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!

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!**

REGISTER HERE STARTING 11/20

Monday

K-5 PE Games
K-2 Tech Fun
3-5 Poetry Club
4-5 Book Club

Tuesday

K-5 Soccer (Q3)
K-5 Basketball (Q4)
K-5 Homework Time
K-2 Spanish
3-5 Spanish

Wednesday

K-5 Tennis (2:20-3:20 pm)
K-5 Chess (2:20-3:20 pm)
K-5 Bricks4Kidz (2:30-3:20 pm)
K-5 Flag Football (3:30-4:30 Q3)*
K-5 Volleyball (3:30-4:30 Q4)*
K-5 Crazy Cool Science (3:30-4:30 pm)*
K-5 Pickleball (3:30-4:30)*

Thursday

K-2 Art
3-5 Creative Clay Club
3-5 Kickball
3-5 Tech Fun

Friday

K-5 Crazy Cool Science
3-5 Art
4-5 Speech and Debate

Monday-Friday Before School

K-5 Running/Agility Club (7:00-7:30 am)

**Students who only sign up for the later clubs will need to be picked up at dismissal and brought back at 2:30 pm.*

Bard Competition December 14

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 **Thursday, November 9.**

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!

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.



Click [this link](#) and to order today!

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.

Giving Tuesday is right around the corner! It is an international day that inspires people to do good in their communities. Since 2012, hundreds of millions of people have participated in making a difference in their communities. This year, Giving Tuesday is November 28th. At Great Hearts we celebrate Giving Tuesday by inviting all families to make a gift to Community Investment.

QUICK LINKS

**Current Volunteer
Opportunities**

**Family
Directory**

**Faculty &
Staff Favorites**

**Order Hot
Lunch**

**GH Volunteer
Application**

**Family
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Code Policy**

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List**

**ACS Family
Giving**

**Family
Resources**

**Uniform Pictorial
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