#### Archway Weekly Update | December 21, 2023

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# Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL **NEWSLETTER** 

**DECEMBER 21, 2023** 

#### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Upcoming key dates to remember:** 

**December 20-22** Half Days

**December 22** Spirit Day & Last Day to **Order Spirit** 

Wear for next quarter

**December 23 - January 5** No School | Winter Break

**January 9** Law Enforcement Appreciation Day

January 15 No School | MLK Holiday



January 16 Q2 Report Cards

January 19 Spirit Day

January 22 - 26 No School | Barrett-Jackson Car

Show

January 31 Used Uniform sale | 12:30-3 pm

2023-24 SCHOOL CALENDAR

#### IMPORTANT UPDATES FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

We can no longer allow front office pick up at dismissal time. All students must be picked up through the regular car line.

We kindly request that you avoid picking up your child before the end of the school day. Important instruction continues up until dismissal, and early pickups disrupt not only your child's learning but also impact the entire classroom. Please plan appointments before or after school, or on early release Wednesdays. If you need to pick up your students for an appointment, you must inform the office before 2:00pm. More than two early pickups in a month will require a doctor's note. Thank you for your cooperation!

### **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

December 23 Mrs. Ducey | 5B

December 25 Mr. Smith (half birthday)| 3A

December 26 Mrs. Smith | 3F

December 27 Miss Denton | Student Services

Ms. Beauchamp | ESS

December 28 Mrs. Lettieri | Nurse

Ms. French (half birthday) | 3B

December 29 Mr. Calloway | Instructional Coach

Mrs. Beck (half birthday) | 5D



#### **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!

Audrianna DiMarco | KD Owen Elbirt | 1C Cy Shear | 3A Aviana Favaloro | 1D Gianna Eddy | 4A

#### **Law Enforcement Appreciation Day**

Tuesday, January 9 is Law Enforcement Appreciation Day. Help us support and celebrate our wonderful campus security officer, Mr. Marrical! Please encourage your students to create heartfelt handmade cards and notes expressing their gratitude and appreciation for Mr. Marrical's dedication to keeping our campus safe. If you choose to extend your thoughtfulness with a gift, you can find Mr. Marrical's favorite things here. Students are welcome to deliver their notes directly to Mr. Marrical on January 9, or you can drop them off at the front office where they will be collected and delivered.





#### **Tomorrow 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 the last day of the quarter memorable, exciting and full of Archer pride!

#### **Lacrosse Tournament Champions**

Congratulations to these 4th grade Archers who won 1st place at the 2023 SoCal Showdown Lacrosse Tournament!

Hunter Johnson | 4A Calen Barba | 4D Liam Russo | 4B





#### **Spirit Wear Ordering is OPEN!**

Pre-order ACS spirit wear by **December 22** for delivery after winter break (in time for the January 19th Spirit Day)! Please reach out to **PSOSpiritWear@ArchwayScottsdale.org** with any ordering questions.

**CLICK HERE TO ORDER NOW!** 





#### **Quarter 2 Report Cards**

Parents will receive a digital copy of their student's Quarter 2 report card via email on **Tuesday, January 16**.

#### **Traffic Reminders**

- If you are visiting the front office for any reason, such as an early morning drop-off for tutoring or bringing snacks/drinks for teachers, please ensure that you park in designated parking spots rather than at the curb or blocking other spaces in our parking lot. The red curb is designated as a fire lane, and parking there is strictly prohibited.
- Parking in a handicap spot without a designated handicap license plate or placard is not allowed at any time. These spots must remain open for those who require them.
- For half-day kindergarten pick-up, we kindly request that you
  do not arrive before 11:45 am. Early arrivals contribute to
  congestion in our parking lot, creating inconvenience for others
  entering or leaving our campus.





#### **Barca Soccer Winter Camp**

Great Hearts continues to nurture our great relationship with Barca Residency Academy in Casa Grande (FC Barcelona's exclusive National Residency Academy). Last year, we hosted the first ever Barça Soccer Camp at Scottsdale Prep. This year, we are happy to announce that we will be hosting it again on December 20-23 for boys and girls ages 6-14 years old! All Great Hearts students will have the opportunity to have a 10% reduced rate until December 3. Space is limited, so register today!

Camp rebate code: GH23BA

Camp Information: https://katapultsports.es/media/Brochure-

Barca-Winter-Camp-Phoenix-Dec-23.pdf

Registration: https://katapultsports.wufoo.com/forms/barca-

winter-camp-phoenix-2023-z199c7xt1f7k4ow/

#### 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!



#### **Club Registration is Open!**

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

#### **REGISTER HERE!**

#### 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

#### **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

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)\*

#### **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.



#### **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!







#### **Archway Scottsdale Bakery Barter Success**

We would like to extend a huge thank you to the Archway Scottsdale community! Thanks to you, we had an incredibly generous and successful event! Over 3,000 items were donated for the event yesterday. It was truly impressive and reflects the supportive and giving nature of the community. In addition to filling a box with tasty treats from our incredible Archway families (**thank you, thank you!**), faculty and staff were treated to an amazing holiday lunch! Kudos to the PSO Faculty Appreciation team, especially Stephanie Hahn and Amber Shull, for their hard work in organizing and making the day special. Community efforts like these contribute significantly to a positive and supportive environment here at ACS.



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 PSOrevgen@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!



#### **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.

#### **Used Uniform Sale**

Join us for the PSO's Used Uniform Sale, taking place on **Wednesday, January 31st, from 12:30 to 3 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 will be accepting cash payments only. Don't miss out!





#### 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!



#### **Great Hearts Hiring Events Ahead**

If you or someone you know may be interested in these upcoming Great Hearts Hiring Events, please share **this link** to register for an event near you. Learn more about teaching, coaching, and leadership opportunities by registering today!



#### **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.

#### **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!



#### **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.

#### **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.





#### Community Investment

Thank you, Archway Scottsdale! **We are 34% to our goal** to support Archway Scottsdale's operational budget, teacher salaries, and classroom needs. Now is the perfect time to give a gift to Archway Scottsdale. To learn more, follow the link below.

Due date for the 2023 tax year: December 31st, 2023 Give a gift to Community Investment





#### Tax Credit

As 2023 comes to an end, do not forget to re-direct your Arizona state taxes to Archway Scottsdale. A contribution to tax credit costs you nothing! You will receive a dollar-for-dollar credit on your state taxes. Tax credit funds help to support field trips for all of our classes and character-building programs. The maximum amount for joint filers is \$400 and the maximum amount for single filers is \$200. Due date for the 2023 tax year: April 15th, 2024 Give a gift to Tax Credit

Please contact Lisa Noyes at **Inoyes@scottsdaleprep.org** or Anna Moriarty **amoriarty@scottsdaleprep.org** in the Academy Giving Office with any questions.

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Current Volunteer	Family	Faculty &	Order Hot
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GH Volunteer	Family	Uniform & Dress	Birthday Book
Application	Handbook	Code Policy	List
ACS Family	Family	Uniform Pictorial	Weekly Email
Giving	Resources	Guide	Archives

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