

Archway Weekly Update | March 28, 2024

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# Archway Scottsdale



THE ARCHER'S SCROLL  
NEWSLETTER

March 28, 2024

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### Upcoming key dates to remember:

- **March 29** No School
- **March 31** Last Day to **Order Tickets** for PSO Boys Field Night
- **April 1** PSO Board Nominations Due
- **April 6** PSO Boys Field Night | 6-8:30 pm | ACS Football Field
- **April 12** Spirit Day | Spring Music Concert | Deadline to **Order Yearbooks**
- **April 19** Family Movie Night | 6:15 pm | ACS Playground
- **April 29 - May 3** Faculty & Staff Appreciation Week | *more details to come!*
- **May 3** Half Day
- **May 6** No School
- **May 7** Used Uniform Sale | 2-4:30pm
- **May 13 - May 17** Spirit Week (**\*please note the new, rescheduled dates**) | *more details to come!*
- **May 21 - May 24** Half Days
- **May 22** 5th Grade Promotion | 8:30-9:30am | SPA Gym
- **May 23** Kindergarten Promotion | 8:45-9:05am (KA, KC, KE) & 10-10:20am (KB, KD, KF) | ACS MPR
- **May 24** Spirit Day | Last Day of School



FACULTY &  
STAFF  
FAVORITE  
THINGS

March 31 **Mrs. Noyes** | Academy Giving  
March 31 **Ms. Dunne** | KC

## QUICK LINKS

[Order Hot Lunch](#)

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### 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!



**Alistair Dea | 4C**  
**Rosal Tirkey | 2E**  
**Karly Danforth | 5B**  
**James Black | 5A**

# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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## No School Tomorrow!

Reminder that there is **NO SCHOOL** tomorrow, **March 29**. Enjoy the long weekend!

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## Report Cards for Quarter 3

Report cards were sent out Monday as a secure email attachment. If you have any questions regarding the report cards, please reach out directly to your homeroom or specials teacher to coordinate a phone call or time to meet.

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## AASA/AzSCI Testing

Students in grades 3-5 will have required Arizona state testing in March and April. **Please refrain from scheduling appointments during testing windows.** If a student leaves after starting the test, that student is not allowed to finish their test that day or on a make-up day. That student **MUST** submit their unfinished test and blank answers.



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### 3rd Grade

**4/2** 8:20am – 10:20am

**4/9\*** 11:35am – 12:50pm 3D, 3E, 3F

**4/11\*** 11:35am – 12:50pm 3A, 3B, 3C

**4/15** 8:20am – 9:35am & 11:30am – 12:45pm

**4/16** 8:20am – 9:35am & 11:30am – 12:45pm

*\*All third grade students need a pair of wired headphones with a microphone attached for the 4/9 Oral Reading Fluency Test. If you are unsure if your child has one, please confirm with their teacher.*

### 4th Grade

**4/1** 8:20am – 10:20am

**4/18** 8:20am – 9:35am & 12:40pm – 1:55pm

**4/19** 8:20am – 9:35am & 12:40pm – 1:55pm

**5th Grade**

**4/4** 8:20am – 10:20am

**4/5** 8:20am – 9:35 & 12:40pm – 1:55pm

**4/8** 8:20am – 9:35 & 12:40pm – 1:55pm



# RE-ENROLL

## FOR THE 2024-25 SCHOOL YEAR



**TODAY IS THE DEADLINE TO SECURE YOUR SPOT!**



**SCAN QR CODE ABOVE TO RE-ENROLL**

[OR CLICK HERE TO RE-ENROLL NOW](#)

### Are you interested in joining the PSO Board?

Email Nominations for PSO Opportunities for 2024-2025 are ***Due April 1!***

We look forward to welcoming new parents to the board in several positions for next year: President, Vice President, Lunch Program Vendor Relations, Passive Revenue, Family Outreach, Spirit Wear, and Used Uniforms.



As outlined in the Great Hearts PSO bylaws, the existing Board elects the new Board during the 4th quarter of the school year. The newly-elected Board members will take over their Board seat at the



conclusion of the fiscal year (June 30) and have the opportunity to learn from the exiting Board members for the remainder of this school year. In accordance with the bylaws, a nomination for a Board position can come from any other parent at the school and can be submitted in writing via email **by April 1**. Please email [psopresident@archwayscottsdale.org](mailto:psopresident@archwayscottsdale.org) with nominations in addition to any questions on the open positions.

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## Spring Music Concert - Save the Date!

Our spring music concert for 1st - 4th grades will be held La Casa de Cristo on **Friday, April 12th** as follows:

**1st - 2nd Grades, 4:45-5:30pm**

4:45pm - students arrive

5:00-5:30pm - student presentation

**3rd - 4th Grades, 5:45-6:30pm**

5:45pm - students arrive

6:00-6:30pm - student presentation

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## Registration for Summer Programs is Open!

Summer Programs include Summer Camp for any student in rising grades 1st-5th, and Kinder Readiness for new, incoming kindergarten students (including those on the Great Hearts waitlist). Whether you register for one week, or all four, it is bound to be an experience to remember! Visit the [Summer Programs Website](#) to learn more.

REGISTER FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS HERE!

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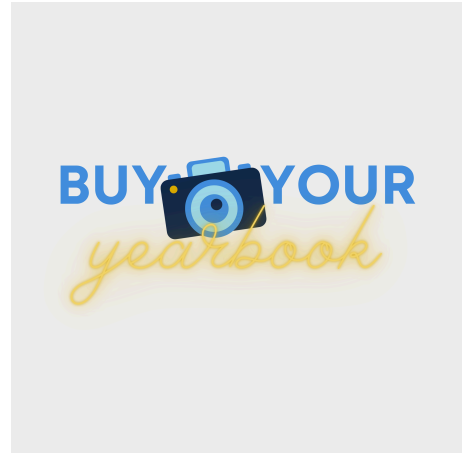
## Exceptional Student Services Parent Involvement Survey

If your student is currently receiving support through the ESS Department, please remember to complete the ESS Parent Involvement Survey online at <https://ADEParentSurvey.azed.gov>. You will need your student's individualized login code to access the survey. If you have any questions regarding this process please contact Rebecca Conforto, Exceptional Student Services Academy Director, at [rconforto@archwayscottsdale.org](mailto:rconforto@archwayscottsdale.org). Thank you in advance for your participation!

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## Yearbook Orders Due April 12th!

The deadline to order yearbooks is quickly approaching—orders must be submitted online by **Friday, April 12th**. 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 HERE TO ORDER YOUR YEARBOOK TODAY!](#)

## Have You Started Your Yearbook Custom Pages Yet?

Once purchased, each yearbook includes two **FREE** custom pages printed only in your book! What a fantastic way to personalize memories of your own child's school year! Each additional 2-page spread is 99 cents. Start designing today! **CUSTOM PAGES ARE ALSO DUE FRIDAY, APRIL 12th.**



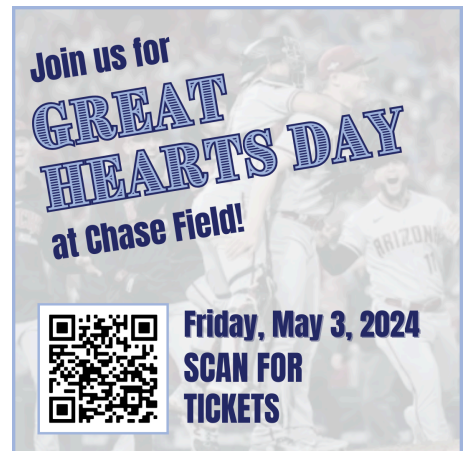
## Used Uniforms

Do you have gently used uniforms that your child has outgrown or no longer needs? Don't let them gather dust – put them to good use! Our PSO is gearing up for another Used Uniform Sale on **Tuesday, May 7**, and we need your help to make it happen. Simply drop off your donations in the designated bins located in the front office. Every contribution supports our school community and is greatly appreciated!

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## GH Day at Chase Field

Join us for another **Great Hearts Day at Chase Field**, Friday, May 3rd as the Dbacks take on the Padres! Enjoy a discounted ticket package that includes a co-branded Great Hearts Dbacks hat (limited quantity), plus the opportunity to win game day experiences and prizes exclusive to Great Hearts families and friends. We hope to see you at the ballpark!



# Parent Service Organization



SOCIAL EVENTS | LUNCH PROGRAM | ROOM PARENTS | YEARBOOK | FACULTY APPRECIATION  
EDUKIT | SPIRIT WEAR | VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR | USED UNIFORMS | DINE OUTS

[Click here to find out more about the PSO!](#)





ORDER YOUR FIELD NIGHT  
TICKETS HERE!



**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 for 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.

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Follow Us On  
*Instagram*

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

JOIN OUR GROUP ON  
**facebook**

## Important Traffic Reminders

### Loop 101 Construction Project

The Arizona Department of Transportation is widening Loop 101 (Pima Freeway) between Princess Dr/Pima Rd and Shea Blvd. Construction began this month and will take approximately two years to complete. This work will require lane restrictions and full on- and off-ramp closures on Loop 101, **potentially affecting your access to our school**. If you anticipate that this project may impact your commute to and from campus, we encourage you to plan accordingly. Stay updated on project details and changes by visiting the project website and consider subscribing to receive regular updates. Your cooperation in preparing for potential disruptions will contribute to the smooth and timely flow of school drop-off and pick-up. Thank you in advance for your proactive approach and understanding!

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit the Loop 101 Project Website





- 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.

## ACS School Policies

### Reporting absences

Please communicate **all absences** to:

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

Thank you for your help with keeping everyone informed!

You may have noticed our interior office doors have been closed during morning drop off. This is the beginning phase of a long-awaited safety plan to ensure our campus is as secure as possible. Once fully implemented, these doors will be opened only by faculty members to limit unwanted visitors access to the school.

### Please be prompt when picking up your students at dismissal time!

- We can no longer allow front office pick up at dismissal time. **All students must be picked up through the regular car line.**
- Parents are granted a 30-minute window after their student's regular dismissal time to pick them up from school. In the event that you arrive more than 30 minutes after dismissal, **a late fee of \$1 per minute will be charged.**
- For after school clubs: Parents are granted a 10-minute window after their student's club dismissal time to pick them up. In the event that you arrive more than 10 minutes late, **a late fee of \$1 per minute will be charged.** Two late pickups from club dismissal will result in the student being **dropped from the club with no refund.**

### Students Leaving Early Procedure

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!

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.*



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## Attendance Policy for Illness

A student should not come to school if any of these symptoms are present in the previous 24 hours:

- Elevated temperature of 100.0 degrees or greater. A student should be fever free for 24 hours *without the use of fever reducing medications* before returning to school.
- Vomiting or diarrhea

Stay Home:

- Frequent and/or productive cough
- Sore throat with swollen glands
- Undiagnosed new or untreated skin rash
- Pus-like discharge from the eyes

Our full illness policy can be found [HERE](#).

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## 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.



**JOIN US IN REACHING OUR  
TAX CREDIT GOAL OF  
\$190,000!**



**47%**

**contribute by  
4/15/24**

Did you know that funds from tax credits contributed to Archway Scottsdale help to support field trips and transportation for field trips? Tax credits help to fund field trips, extracurriculars activities, and outside vendors, and it **costs you nothing** to contribute. Donors receive a dollar-for-dollar credit on their AZ state tax liability. The maximum for single filers is \$200 per tax year and \$400 for joint filers.

**CLICK HERE TO MAKE A  
TAX CREDIT CONTRIBUTION**

We are 47% to our goal of \$190,000. Please help us reach the goal by **April 15, 2024**.

Please contact Lisa Noyes at [lnoyes@scottsdaleprep.org](mailto:lnoyes@scottsdaleprep.org) in the Academy Giving Office with any questions.

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