



August 31, 2018

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## **Headmaster Letter**

Dear Archway Family and Friends,

Mondays. To be honest, I have not always looked forward to the first day of the work week. This year, though, Mondays mark a special day on my calendar, a classroom day. On Mondays I devote a significant portion of the day to being in the classroom - sitting at a desk beside a student, walking the hallways, eating lunch in the cafeteria - observing the act of education. As a leader, I desire to craft and care for our school culture, and firsthand experiences from the classroom provide me with the knowledge necessary to do so wisely (or at least that's the hope).

Can I share with you a few of my observations from this week? For those who said, "yes," the following paragraphs are for you.

Now that the intercom is working properly in grades 5-6, I led the Pledge of Allegiance and Expectations of an Argonaut from one of the sixth grade classrooms. Stepping into an adjacent classroom, I had to watch my step because the room was filled with models of a cell which the students had completed. One of the models represented a washing machine, complete with an electrical outlet! The teacher informed me, "I just want to cancel class the rest of the day, so that I can admire their projects!"

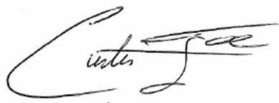
Later in the morning I observed a math class. Three dresses each cost the same amount. Because they cost the same amount, a bar model could be constructed to

visually see that once the change had been given from \$100, a student could know how much each dress cost. Several students showed their work under the document camera for all to see. Later the teacher told me, "I love teaching bar models." That was evident from being in the room. By the way, each dress cost \$28.

In the afternoon I visited a first grade class which had been studying geography. Around the perimeter of the room student work was displayed, declaring that "A compass rose is a symbol on a map that shows the direction." The neatness of the handwriting rivaled my own. From there I joined a kindergarten class in which the teacher was reading *Charlotte's Web*. Some of our faculty had just discussed that classic in my living room the day before. I eagerly asked the teacher if I could read a page or two, so I read the section about what Wilbur ate for lunch, leading up to the miracle of "SOME PIG."

Each day at Archway North Phoenix the miracle of education unfolds. In some ways it is a miracle, but in other ways it is a testament to the dedication and perseverance of teachers and students alike. Thank you for allowing me to share a glimpse into the classroom. Experiences like these make Mondays merry.

Truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Curtis Fee". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Curtis" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Fee".

**Curtis Fee** | Headmaster

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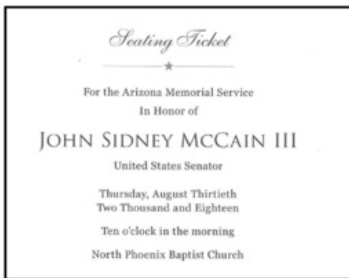
## ***Message from a parent***

"I wanted to let you know that I am so thankful to be at Great Hearts. My son is in [first grade] and is thriving.

Since he was 3 he has been fascinated with our military. He is quick to tell you about his family's involvement in past wars. At Great Hearts [my son] is seen, heard, and encouraged in his dreams even as a Kindergarten and 1st Grader. He is so blessed to be at Archway!

Yesterday [he attended Senator McCain's funeral.] I knew he would do well at the funeral because he has been raised at home and at school to be able to sit and listen respectfully when necessary. He did just that, and although most of the service was indeed over his head, he took away that Senator McCain was a war hero and a good man.

Thank you for all that you do for our school. It matters and it is appreciated."



I felt happy to see  
soldiers. I think Sen. McCain  
was a good man.

## ***Morning Drop-off***

Doors open at 7:30 a.m., and classes begin at 8:00 a.m. We recommend that you arrive on campus **by 7:50** so that your student can unpack and be completely ready for instruction by 8:00 a.m. Doors to the MPR will close promptly at 8:00, after which time parents will need to sign their children in at the front office.

**Please keep in mind that there is no supervision provided for students prior to 7:30 a.m.**

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## ***Classroom Newsletters***

### **Specials Department Newsletter - Quarter 1**

#### **Kindergarten Newsletter**

KA Ms. Borchers  
KB Ms. Leahy  
KC Ms. Baines  
KD Ms. Distler

#### **Grade 1**

[1A Mrs. Bebow](#)  
[1B Mrs. Sugiyama](#)  
[1C Mrs. Flitcroft](#)  
[1D Mrs. Page](#)

#### **Grade 2**

[2A Mrs. Williams](#)  
[2B Ms. Alexander](#)

[2C Ms. Bixler](#)  
[2D Ms. Marshall](#)

### **Grade 3**

[3A Ms. Diesing](#)  
[3B Ms. Schippers](#)  
[3C Mrs. Stoller \(formerly Ms. Hatch\)](#)  
[3D Ms. Kellogg](#)

### **Grade 4**

[4A Ms. Hunter](#)  
[4B Ms. Lefaive](#)  
[4C Mr. Taylor](#)

[4D Ms. Raper](#)

### **Grade 5 Newsletter**

5A Mr. Milton  
5B Mr. E. Cain  
5C Ms. Mueller  
5D Ms. Torres

### **Grade 6 Newsletter**

6A Ms Dovel  
6B Mr. Martin and Ms. Brennan  
6C Mr. L. Cain  
6D Ms. Marrufo

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## ***ANP Wednesday Study Club (September)***

-The registration for Wednesday Study Club for September will open on Monday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 9am. Visit [www.archwaynorthphoenix.configio.com](http://www.archwaynorthphoenix.configio.com) to register. Email [srutt@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:srutt@archwaynorthphoenix.org) with questions.

**Seth Rutt** | Physical Education | Extra Curriculars

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## ***News from the ANP PSO***

### **Upcoming Events: September 2018**

Check out [monthly opportunities to hang with Archway moms](#) (first meetup scheduled for Friday, September 7!)

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### **Cornhole Tournament hosted by Dad's Club**

Saturday, September 8  
6:30 pm @ Italian American Club

Dad's Club presents the 11<sup>th</sup> annual Dad's Club Cornhole Tournament (\$20/person includes food; cash bar). [RSVP in advance](#) for tournament bracket setup.

Questions? [dadsclub@anppso.org](mailto:dadsclub@anppso.org)

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### **Service Event: Sack Lunch Assembly**

Saturday, September 15  
10 AM @ Elk's Lodge 335

Join the Dad's Club for a service event benefiting Phoenix Rescue Mission; all ages are welcome! [Please RSVP today](#) and indicate how many from your family intend to participate.

Questions? [dadsclub@anppso.org](mailto:dadsclub@anppso.org)

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### **ANPPSO Quarterly Meeting**

Tuesday, September 18  
7:00 PM @ MPR

Learn about volunteer opportunities, campus events and more.

Questions? [secretary@anppso.org](mailto:secretary@anppso.org)

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### **Swirl & Sip hosted by Mom's Club**

Saturday, September 22  
6 - 10:30 pm @ McBeath Family Home

Mom's Club presents Swirl & Sip, a blind wine and beer tasting. [RSVP online and indicate](#) what you will bring to share.

Questions? [momsclub@anppso.org](mailto:momsclub@anppso.org)

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### **Family Dine-out**

Tuesday, September 25  
4 - 8 PM @ Chipotle, 4622 E. Cactus Rd.

Come on down to Chipotle for dinner with fellow Archway students and families! Present [this flyer](#) and 33% of sales will be donated to Great Hearts North Phoenix. Questions? [rebates@anppso.org](mailto:rebates@anppso.org)

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### **Archway Spirit Night**

Friday, September 28  
1 - 3 PM @ Sky Zone Phoenix, 4857 E. Greenway Rd.

Meet up for a play date with Archway friends at Sky Zone (\$15-22 per student; [learn more here](#))!

The play date runs from 1 - 4 PM, but Sky Zone will be open to

Archway only kiddos from 1-3  
PM! Questions? [rebates@anppso.org](mailto:rebates@anppso.org)

Stay connected with our Parent Service Organization (PSO) at  
[www.anppso.org](http://www.anppso.org) or follow us  
@NorthPhoenixParentAssociation on Facebook.

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**Tickets on Sale Now: Great Hearts Gala  
September 29th, 5:30p.m. at Chateau Luxe  
[www.GreatHeartsGala.org](http://www.GreatHeartsGala.org)**

**Hosted Cocktail Hour, Silent Auction, Dinner,  
Program featuring Great Hearts Students, Live  
Auction, Raffle, Music and Dancing  
under the Stars**

**WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT**

**Do you have a business or a business connection who  
could donate items to the  
Silent or Live auction? If so, please:  
Contact Denise Zabilski at [dzabilski@greatheartsaz.org](mailto:dzabilski@greatheartsaz.org)**

Individual tickets [on sale now!!](#)  
Sponsorships still [available](#)  
\$250 per person

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## **Reporting an Absence**

If your student will be absent, please send an email to: [attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org). Please include student name, grade and reason for the absence.

If you email your student's teacher about an absence, please include [attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org) on the email.

Thank you.

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## **NEW Birthday Policy**

The new school policy is that birthday treats, toys, goodies, or "thank you" notes may NOT be distributed at school by parents, students, or teachers. Invitations may be distributed at school as long as the entire class is invited or if all the boys or all the girls of a class are invited. If invitations are not inclusive as indicated, then invitations will not be distributed. Students may choose to purchase a book from the school's "wish list" ([archwaynorthphoenix.greatheartsacademies.org](http://archwaynorthphoenix.greatheartsacademies.org) - click on Academics tab, Literature Reading Lists, and the appropriate grade level) to donate to the school library in honor of their birthday. A parent may arrange to read the book with the birthday student in front of the class. We know that birthdays are special, so will we do our best to make your child feel special on his/her special day.

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## **Dress Code**

After a two-week grace period during which warnings were communicated and emails were sent home, on Monday, August 20, uniform infractions began being issued for students out of dress code. If a student receives a total of three infractions within a thirty-day period or five infractions within a quarter, they are required to serve a detention.

Please review ANP's Uniform and Dress Code policy located in the Family Handbook on page 49. It can also be viewed on our website at [www.archwaynorthphoenix.org](http://www.archwaynorthphoenix.org).

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# **Signing students out prior to dismissal**

When your student has an appointment, or needs to leave prior to the end of the school day, please contact your student's teacher. Let the teacher know what time you plan to arrive so they can have your student packed and ready. Students must be signed out at the Administrative Office. Please note that 2:30 is the latest that a student may be picked up early. After 2:30 staff and faculty are preparing for dismissal.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

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## **Important Dates**

In recognition of Labor Day Archway North Phoenix will be closed on Monday, September 3. We will re-open on Tuesday, September 4.

**Early Dismissal: Wednesday, September 5, 2:00pm Dismissal**

**Half Day Dismissal: Friday, September 28, 12noon Dismissal**

### **2018-2019 School Year Breaks and Parent Teacher Conferences**

- Fall Break **October 8 - 16, 2018**
- *Parent Teacher Conferences* October 15 - 16, 2018
- Winter Break **December 21, 2018 - January 9, 2019**
- *Parent Teacher Conferences* January 7 - 9, 2019
- Spring Break **March 18 - 22, 2019**

### **2018-2019 School Year Calendar**

**PLEASE NOTE:** the School Calendar that was included with earlier newsletters incorrectly states half days being dismissed at 12:30. **Half-Day dismissal is 12noon.**

- [2018 - 2019 School Calendar](#)

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## **Important Links**

### **2018-19 Textbook Consumables**

If you have not had an opportunity to do so, please log onto the [payment portal](#) to make a contribution toward offsetting the expense of consumable workbooks.

### **2018-19 Literature Library**

### **2018-19 ANP Uniform and Dress Code**

### **2018-19 Classroom Supplies**

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# Newsletter Email Addresses

Due to changes in email addresses and families, the weekly newsletter is currently emailed to the first contact email address in the enrollment system. If you would like other family or friends to receive the weekly newsletter, please send an email to [menglish@archwaynorthphoenix.org](mailto:menglish@archwaynorthphoenix.org) with any additional contact email address.

The option to forward this email is always listed at the bottom on the newsletter.

Thank you for your assistance in keeping the email list current.

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