# ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



# NEWSLETTER

October 20, 2023

# **Important Dates**

October 23rd - 27th
Literature Week Celebration of Reading

October 27th
Half-Day
Noon Dismissal

November 4th Movie Night

November 9th
Field Day
3rd - 5th Grades

November 10th
Veterans Day
No School

November 14th Picture Re-Takes

November 17th Headmaster Tea

November 20th Grandparents Day

Join us on Social Media!







"Another fall, another turned page . . ."
Wallace Stegner

Our 8th Annual Literature Day on October 27th, 2023 is dedicated to inspire the love of reading for our scholars. Students may dress up as their favorite literary character for the school day while enjoying guest readers and classroom activities.



# **Literary Figure Dress-Up Guidlines**

- 1. The costume must be a literary figure that is part of Great Hearts curriculum. You can access the literature reading list here.
- 2. The costume should cover at least the same areas as the uniform polo shirt and shorts/skirts (just above the knee). No skinny jeans or leggings alone should be worn.
- 3. Items in your costume should not have any logos or pop-culture references on them.
- 4. Shoes must remain in uniform.
- 5. Costume masks are NOT permitted. Face paint is only permitted if it is an integral part of the costume and should be minimal (whiskers are acceptable, but a green face is not.)
- 6. Small props may be asked to be put away during class time.

It is not required to dress up, but it is highly encouraged!

# **Book Fair**

To celebrate Literature Week students will be visiting the book fair with their classes. Families will be able to shop the book fair in person each day after school. Visit the Fair online <a href="here">here</a>!

#### Book Fair Hours of Operation:

Monday	10/23: 3:30 - 4:30 PM
Tuesday	10/24: 3:30 - 4:30 PM
Wednesday	10/25: 2:00 - 3:00 PM
Thursday	10/26: 3:30 – 4:30 PM
Friday	10/27: 12:30 – 2:30 PM



Because of your gift to our Community Investment Campaign, our scholars at Archway North Phoenix . . . have their hearts shaped by only the most truthfully and beautifully written literature.

# So often our modern society discusses the importance of "reading skills," "career-ready literacy," and "text-features." We, rightfully so, sometimes discuss these at Archway. But, Vigen Guroian, author, and champion of Classical education, reminds us that as a Classical school- a school concerned with cultivating both hearts and minds- the call to teach reading has a much more profound end goal.

"Mere instruction in morality is not sufficient to nurture the virtues. It might even backfire, especially when the presentation is heavily exhortative, and the pupil's will is coerced. Instead, a compelling vision of the goodness of goodness itself needs to be presented in a way that is attractive and stirs the imagination... Stories are an irreplaceable medium for this kind of moral education - that is, the education of character." (Guorian, Tending the Heart of Virtue, p. 20)

Guroian reminds us of the gravity of choosing books - that in the most important ways, it is true that "the books you read in childhood become a part of you." We feel privileged to provide students with a reading education that is guided by such a principle.

The quality of education delivered at our school is only possible with your generous support of our Community Investment campaign. We are honored to publicly recognize those families and friends who have contributed to the Community Investment campaign. Please click <a href="here">here</a> for a listing of our 2023-24 Community Investment campaign donors as of October 6th.

# **Academy Giving**

As we kick off a new school year we are honored to partner with our families through our annual campaigns:

Community Investment

campaign

and

Arizona Public Tax

Credit drive.

Jackie Curtis, Family Giving & Community Engagement Officer, will be happy to answer any questions.











Please join us in Welcoming our new school Counselor,

Ms. Colleen Sulzer! Below is a short letter from Ms. Sulzer.

Hello!

My name is Colleen Sulzer, the new school counselor with Archway North Phoenix. I am originally from the mid-west and have lived in Arizona for 30+ years. My family and I moved to Arizona when I was still in high school. Afterwards, I attended Northern Arizona University where I studied anthropology and biology. After some time, I returned to school to further my education. I attended University of Phoenix, where I graduated with a MA in educational counseling. I held a school counseling position at the same school for 13 years and loved every part of it. However, I was curious to try mental health counseling. I worked at a behavioral health service program for almost 5 years. Even though I loved my job, and working with my clients and their families, I was missing the school environment.

So, here I am ready to work with the Great Hearts faculty, students, and their families. I would like to share with you the difference between school counseling and community counseling.

The school counselor's role is to assist the children, families, and faculty, but within the boundaries of the child's behavior and how those behaviors affect their learning at school. The school counselor is also a wealth of knowledge regarding outside resources to assist children and families with any issues that may arise.

I look forward to meeting and working with the Great Hearts students, families, and faculty.

Thank you, Ms. Colleen Sulzer



"Great Hearts is looking to feature student artwork on the cover of this year's holiday card. We are excited to see what artwork graces the cover of our holiday card this year, as it could be your own students! If your student is interested in creating a holiday or wintery-inspired image, please submit their information and a photo of the artwork here. All entries must be submitted on or before October 31st."



Watch for your scholars pictures going home in backpacks today!

Visit mydorian.com if you would like to still place and order or
have any questions!





November 28th is Giving Tuesday. More information to come.

December 1st is Fall Concert and Family Night 5:30 - 8 PM. Attire will be school uniforms. Watch Newsletters for more information.

\*Fall Concert is part of scholars grade and is mandatory to attend.\*



"Is West Virginia a country? I am really good with my states, but not countries"

# Gladiator Athletics – for Archway 5th Graders!

Yes, Archway 5th graders are eligible to compete on most Prep Sports Teams! Registration is now open for the following winter sports teams: Boys & Girls Soccer and Boys & Girls Tennis.

# For more details, go to our <u>ATHLETICS WEBSITE</u>

All participants must be fully registered to participate including a physical. We highly recommend you get the physical completed at your earliest convenience. Here is a <u>link</u> to the **only** form that will be accepted as proof of a completed physical.

For more info please email our AD, Joe Page, at jpage@northphoenixprep.org

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#### **Mother-Son Kickball is Back!**

This event is **tomorrow**! Participants are encouraged to dress in 80's themed attire, but not required. Make sure to take some time to enjoy this event with your son(s)!

When: Saturday, October 21st Time: 5PM - 8PM Where: ANP Field

Cost: \$40 per family, CASH ONLY day of event

Registration was 10/18 so teams could be finalized.

Volunteers are needed, so Dads, we need you!!! Take a look at the Signup's below to find the best volunteer opportunity for you.

Snack donations: <a href="https://signup.com/go/KHyrzLH">https://signup.com/go/KzXmUJo</a>
Volunteers: <a href="https://signup.com/go/KzXmUJo">https://signup.com/go/KzXmUJo</a>

# Volunteer and Get Your 10 In

We encourage and challenge each family to volunteer at least 10 hours each year! We look forward to volunteering alongside you!

All volunteers need to register <u>HERE</u>.

After you have been approved, watch for sign up opportunities in class or at different events during the year.



#### Chipotle Dine-out this Tuesday!

Grab dinner with fellow Argonaut families and 33% of sales goes back to the PSO, just show this flyer! You can also order online and take it to go, just be sure to use the code 7KMD7VP.

When: Tuesday Oct. 24th
Time: 4PM - 8PM
Where: 3185 E Bell Rd, Phoenix, AZ 85032

#### **ANP Yearbook Pre-Sale Extended**

Just a few weeks left to buy a yearbook at the lowest price of the year! Pre-Order online by 10/31 for \$30 (softcover) or \$37.91 (hardcopy) including tax. You'll still get two custom pages to fill with your scholar's photos! You can also donate yearbooks to the teachers and school!

Visit: <a href="www.treering.com/validate">www.treering.com/validate</a> ANP code: 1016219217202491

#### **Lunch Program**

Take a break, you deserve it. Instead of making your scholar's lunch each day, consider ordering from the hot lunch options. The PSO manages the lunch program, bringing scholars and staff a variety of daily lunch options. <u>Order here</u>. Don't forget that lunch orders are due by noon each Friday.

# **Forgotten Lunch Donations**

Please consider donating to the forgotten lunch program. Healthy options like cheese sticks, fruit cups, hummus, crackers and veggie sticks are preferred. Donations can be labeled ANP forgotten lunches and dropped off in the front office. Thank you!

**On-Call Volunteers** - Volunteers would help on campus when a teacher is absent. With our funding being cut for substitutes, it would be beneficial for the school to have on-call parents available to lend a hand. Trust us, there is nothing better than seeing your scholar's face light up when they see you on campus. Yes, you can sign up for shifts, just add that info in the comments.

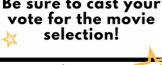
\*Remember you must be Raptor verified\*

\* Signup for On-Call: Sign Up

**4th/5th Grade Sponsored Potluck** - Next week is the grade level sponsored potluck for the ANP Staff. Families of 4th & 5th scholars can sign up here to donate food items or volunteer to help! <u>Sign Up</u>

**Holiday Appreciation Tree Hanging** – Can't volunteer during the week week? Then this opportunity is for you. Join us this Sunday to help hang the Appreciation Trees, in preparation of Holiday Appreciation. Sign Up









Headmaster Kirby would like to invite you to join her for Quarterly Parent Seminars. This parent only event will be an opportunity to read and discuss virtues important to our school community. Purchase the books and sign up to join the discussion group. Join her for just one, or all sessions.

**December 7th, 6pm - 7pm**: The Read Aloud Family by Sarah Mackenzie

<u>Buy Book Here</u>

<u>Sign Up Here</u>

February 29th, 6pm - 7pm: Tending the Heart of Virtue by Vigen Guroian
\*Intro & Chapter 1 Only\*

Buy Book Here

Sign Up Here

April 25th, 6pm - 7pm: Mans Search for Meaning by Viktor E. Frankl

Buy Book Here

Sign Up Here



# Headmaster Tea

Our next Headmaster Tea is on November 17th. It is for Kinder & 1st grade Parents, and starts at 8:15am in the library. This is a great way to visit in a smaller setting with Headmaster Kirby!





Thank you to all our families who donated paper at the beginning of the year. It lasted us the whole first quarter! We use paper for our young scholars individual readers. Paper is always appreciated!

# **Guidelines for Dismissal**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday: ARCHWAY use both lanes until 3:20pm, then must be in ARCHWAY only lanes so PREP traffic is not blocked.

Wednesday: ARCHWAY Traffic please do not enter campus until 1:20. If you have PREP/ARCHWAY Sibling pick up, do not enter campus until 1:30. Prep sibling pick up will still take place on the PREP side. If you are coming across the crosswalk on the Prep side please follow the directions of the Prep teachers guiding the foot traffic across the crosswalk. Please use the crosswalk with the crossing guard only.



#### **Argonaut Parent Community**

Three things you can do to help us keep your students safe and our traffic flowing:

Please watch the new traffic video - Link above

Read all communications coming home - from your students' teachers & the family newsletter

Please ensure that we have the correct contact information - If you are not getting the email communications please reach out to your teacher and our Assistant Office Manager, Ms. Del Duca at kdelduca@archwaynorthphoenix.org. Teacher emails are on our website under faculty and staff.

Should you have any questions or concerns please reach out.

We are all in this together.

Let's Make it a Great Year Argonauts!



# **ATTENDANCE**

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to email the school before 8:00 a.m. to report an absence. Students will be recorded as having an unexcused absence if no email is sent. An unexcused absence of 10 consecutive days will automatically result in the withdrawal of the student. Please read the <a href="Parent Handbook">Parent Handbook</a> for more detailed information, or call the office if you have any questions.

Please email:

attendance@archwaynorthphoenix.org to report an absence.

#### **TARDINESS**

Students who arrive after 8am will be considered tardy and will check in at the north doors until 8:10 AM with Coach Norris. After that, the parent/guardian must sign the student in at the front office on arrival. Persistent tardiness is highly disruptive of instruction and undermines student morale. On the 5th occasion of an unexcused tardy in a quarter we notify the parents. If the student continues to accumulate tardies, Headmaster Kirby will be in touch to discuss possible concerns.

#### EARLY STUDENT PICK UP

Students that need to be picked up early for appointments must be picked up in the main office no later than 2:30pm on full days, 1:00pm on early release days, and 11:30 on half days. We do not release students the last 1/2 hour of class.

# PLACARD FOR PICK UP

Blue Placards are required every day for every pick up. If lost or need a copy for any reason, please bring your ID to the front office and we can provide a new copy.

# **FAMILY DIRECTORY**

The family directory is now posted on our website under Academy Life - News & Events. This directory is solely and expressly intended for private use by the Archway North Phoenix community only. It is not intended for solicitation or commercial purposes. It is password protected. The password was sent separately on August 25th.

\*\*Great Hearts and Archway North Phoenix continue to utilize the system School Messenger for emails, robo calls, and text messaging to inform families of campus related academy emergencies and other communications. SchoolMessenger has a new automatic opt-in for text feature. During the registration or your re-enrollment process families confirmed their participation in text communication. Great Hearts will now automatically opt in contact information given during the registration/re-enrollment process with the options you selected. You will notice at the beginning of July you will be opted in for text messaging. If you would like to opt out of text messages simply reply STOP to the text from 67585. You can also enter the code 67585 with the message STOP to block any text messaging. Please note, if opting out, you will not receive texts regarding emergencies on campus.\*\*

# Grade Level Newsletters

# Kindergarten Newsletter

KA Ms. Rushing & Ms. Perez

KB Ms. Haines & Ms. Tibke

KC Ms. Walchli & Ms. Ernest

KD Ms. Christensen & Ms. Sayers

# First Grade Newsletter

1A Ms. Mikesell & Ms. Leahy

1B Ms. Layton & Ms. Manley

1C Ms. Gianforte & Ms. Moizo

1D Ms. Refermat & Ms. Hernandez

# Second Grade Newsletter

2A Ms. Herrier & Ms. Lom

2B Ms. Alexander & Ms. Gregg

2C Ms. Markoos & Ms. Gardner

2D Ms. Schwanz & Ms. Rankin

# Third Grade Newsletter

3A Ms. Toscas & Ms. Jones

3B Ms. Wright & Mr. Messana

3C Ms. Daab & Mr. Barrett

3D Ms. O'Neal & Mr. Terpin

# Fourth Grade Newsletter

4A Ms. Noffz & Mr. Quick

4B Ms. Johnson & Ms. Martin

4C Ms. Robb & Mr. Lewis

4D Ms. Knopf & Ms. Randle

# Fifth Grade Newsletter

5A Ms. Brennan & Ms. Nelson

5B Mr. Seeliger & Ms. Jackson

5C Ms. Herman & Mr. Friend

5D Ms. Knopf & Ms. Golebiewski