

ARCHWAY NORTH PHOENIX

A GREAT HEARTS ACADEMY



NEWSLETTER

October 6, 2023

Important Dates

October 9th - 13th

No School - Fall Break

October 16th & 17th

No School -
Parent/Teacher
Conferences

October 19th

Parents Singapore Night
5:30pm - 6:30pm

October 23rd - 27th

Literature Week -
Celebration of Reading

October 27th

Literature Day

November 9th

Field Day
3rd - 5th Grades



"I'm so glad I live in a world where there are Octobers."

— L.M. Montgomery, "Anne of Green Gables"

You will receive your scholar's report card for quarter one on Friday, October 13. Report cards will be emailed with a link that will take you to the report. Though there is considerable thought in how grades are finally determined, a letter or number only tells so much. It is, in many ways, an artificial symbol. Not arbitrary, but not meaningful without context. Having said that, the students are still learning concepts and skills in these first few quarters so a standard of 4 is rarely achievable at this point in the year. Each child is on a personal journey and cannot be reduced to a set of numbers or letters. A successful outcome for a quarter is that our scholars have grown not only intellectually but also morally. Some of these things are more easily quantifiable than others.

That is why attending parent teacher conferences on October 16 or 17 is crucial to understanding the whole child. Nothing can truly replace the qualitative human expression that comes from a personal conversation. It is a human partnership between loving parents and educators, bringing a different and indispensable perspective. Like any human relationship, meaningful dialogue is essential to come to unity, and a unified partnership is essential to the success of each child.

Your scholar's teacher sent you an email to arrange a time of convenience. In doing so, remember the goal for each scholar is to develop their given talents and abilities, learn perseverance, patience, and courage, and not measure themselves against their siblings or peers. Instead, they should learn from their mistakes, strengthen areas that are more difficult for them, and, most importantly, celebrate all of their many successes. Please enjoy your conferences and fellowship with your scholar's teacher (I miss this part of teaching). When you arrive on campus, **please enter through the north Archway lobby doors.**

On another note, I thought you should know that when scholars had school pictures last Thursday, the photographers were impressed by the kindness of our scholars toward them and one another. The photographers said ANP scholars were mannerly and even thanked them after taking their picture. Have a fantastic fall break. We look forward to seeing you at parent-teacher conferences.

In partnership,
Headmaster Kirby

Join us on Social Media!





★ October 27th is Literature Day! See below for more information.

★ November 20th is our 2nd Annual Grandparents Day!
More information to come!

★ October 27th is Literature Day! See below for more information.

★ December 1st is Fall Concert and Family Night 5:30 - 8 PM

Watch Newsletters for more information

Attire will be School Uniforms

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



Note From the Registrar:

Family Handbook:

The last day for families to sign the 23-24 Family Handbook is Friday October 13th. To complete the process, please follow the steps below:

- Please log into the [Enrollment Parent Portal](#) using your username and password. If you do not remember your log-in information, please click on the Forgot Password and follow the instructions.
- Once you have logged into the enrollment system, scroll down until you see a large box that says: Arizona Family Handbook.
- In the Arizona Academy Family Handbook section, select your student. Click on the blue button that says: Show applications.
- You will see then the green button to Review and E-Sign Family Handbook.
- Once you review the handbook, navigate back to the Enrollment Parent Portal, accept and sign with your electronic signature.
- After you accept and hit NEXT, you will receive an email confirmation to the email registered in the enrollment system.
- Please complete the above steps for each student.

Legal documentation:

We kindly ask you to take a moment to send us the most recent version of your legal or custody agreements or any relevant and related documents. Ensuring we have the most accurate information is crucial in maintaining a safe and nurturing environment for your children.

Withdrawals:

Please inform us if your child will be withdrawing from Archway North Phoenix so the records and documents necessary can be prepared for a smooth transition for your student.

Your attention to these matters is appreciated. Please contact Ms. Williams at vwilliams@archwaynorthphoenix.org for any questions or concerns.

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.



Did you know that you can double, or even triple your Community Investment and Tax Credit donations to Archway North Phoenix?

Many companies will match their employees' donations to our school through their Corporate Gift Matching Programs, and that is an easy way to increase the impact of your donations!

Search our directory to see if your company is listed. If they are not there, please take the extra step to inquire with your Human Resources department to find out if your company offers a matching gifts program. Thank you and shout out to all the families that already have taken advantage of this opportunity to support our school.

The first step? Making your Community Investment or Tax Credit gift!



Give to ANP Community Investment



Contribute your Tax Credit to ANP

Please contact Ms. Curtis, Family Giving Officer at (602) 404-7414 with any questions. Thank you!



Coming in for Parent Teacher Conferences?
Stop by & see Ms. Curtis, our Family Giving Officer, in the ANP Lobby & grab a treat on your way in or out!



*Your Partnership-
Time, Talent & Treasure-
Make Everything We
Love
About Our School
Possible-
Thank you!*



Literature Day

Our 8th Annual Literature Day on October 27th, 2023 is dedicated to inspire the love of reading for each one of our students! The students will have the opportunity to dress up as their favorite literary character for the school day while enjoying guest readers and classroom activities

Literary Figure Dress-Up Guidelines

Scholars are encouraged to come dressed as their favorite literary character on Friday, October 27th, 2023.

1. The costume must be of a literary figure that is part of the Archway North Phoenix 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 [here](#)!

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

Argonauts Fall Break Sports & Fun Camp

Looking for something fun to do this Fall Break? Come join us for our Fall Break session!

Who: Calling all K-6th grade students*

What: Activities include PE games, sports, board games, movies, snacks, lunch, and more! Dress in comfortable athletic attire. Lunch will be provided but bring your own snack. Fun, Fall-themed treats will be given on the last day of camp.

Where: Archway North Phoenix

When: October 9th-11th

Times: 8am-3pm

Price: \$150

[Sign Up Here](#)

***Not all Kindergarteners will be ready to handle an all-day event with a lot of older children. We ask that you use discernment and wisdom when making your decision and please consult one of the PE coaches if you're unsure. If you have a 6th grade scholar at Prep, they may also sign up for this camp!**



"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 student's! If your student is interested in creating a holiday or wintry-inspired image, please submit their information and a photo of the artwork [here](#). All entries must be submitted on or before October 31st."




Sweet Scholar Story



Teacher: "I'm getting ice."

Kinder Student: "Like the water rocks?"






anp FALL BREAK MEET-UPS

SUPERHERO MEET-UP


Fri. Oct 6 | 3p to 8p



15% back to PSO

COSTUMES NOT REQUIRED

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AND PRIZE GIVEAWAYS PLANNED BETWEEN 4P-7P



245 E Bell Rd #55,
Phoenix, AZ 85022


PARK DAY MEET-UPS

GRADE LEVEL MEET-UPS DAILY

VENTUREGO PARK
14425 N. 32nd St
Phoenix, AZ 85032


WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Kinder: Mon. Oct 9 | 11am - 5pm
1st Grade: Tue. Oct 10 | 11am - 5pm
2nd Grade: Wed. Oct 11 | 11am - 5pm
3rd Grade: Thur. Oct 12 | 11am - 5pm
4th Grade: Fri. Oct 13 | 11am - 5pm
5th Grade: Tue. Oct 17 | 11am - 5pm




UPTOWN JUNGLE MEET-UP

Mon. Oct 16th | 12p to 6p



FREE HALLOWEEN PHOTO OPS!

ALL AGES AND GRADE LEVELS ARE WELCOME!



10630 N. 32nd St.
Phoenix, AZ 85028

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 [HERE](#).

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



Be sure to cast your vote for the movie selection!



Are you new to the school and want to learn more about the PSO?

Take a look at the [Welcome Packet](#) which provides an overview of sources and programs for parents and scholars alike! Have questions or want to learn more? Email info@anppso.org today.

Parent Service Organization

Mother-Son Kickball is Back!

This event is just around the corner and you won't want to miss out on this 80's themed event! 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: \$25 per family, early bird pricing (must purchase by 10/18)
\$40 per family, CASH ONLY day of event

Registration

Registration deadline is 10/18 so teams can be finalized.

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

Snack donations: <https://signup.com/go/KHyrzLH>

Volunteers: <https://signup.com/go/KzXmUJo>

Lunch Program

Go ahead, 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. [Order here](#). Be sure to get your orders in by noon on 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!

ANP Yearbook Pre-Sale Extended

If you didn't make the September sale, don't worry. You've got one more month (through October 31st) 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: www.treering.com/validate

ANP code: 1016219217202491

On-Call Volunteers - This volunteer opportunity would be helping around 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 who are 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. ***Remember you must be Raptor verified**

*Yes, you can sign up for shifts, just add that info in the comments.

*Signup here: [signup](#)



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

[Buy Book Here](#)

[Sign Up Here](#)

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!



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.**

Dismissal Times

M, T, TH, F

Archway 3:00PM

Prep 3:30PM

Wednesday

Archway 1:30PM

Prep 1:15PM



Watch the Video
for more details.
Use the QR Code
above or click this
[LINK.](#)



 Archway

 Prep



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!



SCHOOL GUIDELINES

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 [Parent Handbook](#) 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