

# Headmaster Letter

Dear Archway Families and Friends,

As we move into the second half of the 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter, I would like to share with you some of the conversations I have been having with our 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> graders over the last couple of weeks on the topic of **citizenship**.

I have made a point to go into each of the classrooms to see how their year is starting out and I have inquired about how the locker experience is going. For the most part I get a "thumbs up" from the students, but I also am hearing some challenges too. Some of those challenges include crowded hallways, feeling rushed to get in locker when a fellow student is already there either above or below their locker, a malfunctioning lock, classmates who are not focused on the task at hand . . . . As I was hearing these, I was suddenly taken back to my own middle school experience.

While talking to the students, I asked what virtues should be practiced when in the hallways. They proposed several - perseverance in staying focused on getting to your locker and getting your materials without being distracted by friends who want to socialize; responsibility to get things quickly so that others are not waiting on you to get to their locker; friendship in not pushing or shoving to get where you need to go; and one student even said that you needed courage because the first few days is was pretty scary trying to go through the process without being used to it.

As we talked, the idea of **citizenship** came up and how we are part of a community in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade - smaller communities in our classroom and part of a larger community within the hallway. We decided that all of the virtues mentioned above needed to be practiced in order to be good citizens. I also challenged them to take pride in their new school and pick up after themselves and their classmates when in the hallway (paper, pencils, lunchboxes, and water bottles) so that when the hallway is empty it is evident that the citizens of the hallway care about their community. It was a great conversation.

I tell you this to remind you, as parents, that we are part of a community at ANP and NPX. We are a smaller community within the North Phoenix campus and part of a larger community within the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street corridor and the surrounding neighborhoods. We need to practice **citizenship** as we enter and exit the school and the surrounding neighborhood. I have received several alarming emails over the past few weeks of people who have witnessed behavior that is rather irresponsible, reckless and simply rude during our drop-off and dismissal times. With a humbled spirit, I remind all of you to please practice patience, friendly and safe driving habits, and responsible behavior while on our campus and driving in the surrounding area. Please follow the procedures that we have put in place. Our signs and stenciling are forthcoming and designed for safe and efficient procedures in dropping off and picking up your children. If you have questions, please contact the front office. Our children are watching our behavior and they will learn what we model for them.

With devotion,

Headmaster - Archway North Phoenix

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# **Important Dates**

## **After School Clubs**

Our after school extra curricular clubs start TODAY. There are still some spots available. Sign up today!

### **Parent University**

Each year our teachers prepare a special night for parents to attend a crash course in Spalding Phonics and/or Singapore Math. This is a great opportunity for parents to learn some pointers on how to help their children in these two foundational curriculums that are taught at ANP. Come and learn about WPR, OPR, number bonds, renaming, regrouping, decomposition, and bar models, just to name a few. See below for the dates of each grade level (Kindergarten - 5<sup>th</sup> grade). Sessions will take place in your child's classroom and will run from 5:30 - 6:30 for every grade level.

Kindergarten	Spalding Night	September 28 <sup>th</sup>
First Grade	Spalding Night	September 21 <sup>st</sup>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade	Singapore Night	September 26 <sup>th</sup>
3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Singapore Night	September 18 <sup>th (Corrected)</sup>
4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Singapore Night	September 25 <sup>th</sup>
5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Singapore Night	September 18 <sup>th</sup>

## Family Handbook

Family Signature pages are due **Friday**, **September 8<sup>th</sup>**. Please turn them into your child's teacher or the front office. Please click <u>HERE</u> to read the ANP 2017-18 Family Handbook and <u>HERE</u> for a copy of the signature page.

## **Late Pick-up**

The grace period for tardies and uniform infractions has ended. Please click <u>HERE</u> for information regarding ANP's tardy policy and <u>HERE</u> for ANP's uniform infraction policy.

We will be extending the grace period for the **ANP Late Pick-up Policy** until traffic signs have been put into place throughout the North Phoenix campus. The signs have been ordered and should assist families in determining the correct lane to be in for the Archway and Prep students. Notification of grace period ending will be communicated once the signs have been posted.

Parents have asked if this pertains to the Prep sibling pick-up as there is concern that Prep students are unable to get to their siblings by 3:30 pm. We have found there to be no real issues here as Prep students have been extremely responsible in picking up their siblings in a timely manner. If we find that this is not happening, parents will be notified to see if the situation needs further refinement. Click <u>HERE</u> for the ANP Late Pick Up Policy.

### **Student Tutoring**

Tutoring will begin for all students this week on Tuesday and Thursday from 3:20 - 3:30 pm. **Tutoring is** by invitation only. Your child's teacher will contact you directly if they are invited to either tutoring day beginning the week of September 11<sup>th</sup>.

Students will be escorted to the north side of the K-4 building where teachers will wait with students for parents to pick up their students following tutoring.

#### **Classroom Newsletters**

Click below o choose the newsletter associated with your student's classroom.

Kindergarten

1A Ms. Bebow

1B Ms. Fett

1C Ms. Flitcroft

1D Ms. Page

2A Ms. Williams

2B Ms. Alexander

2C Ms. Bixler

2D Ms. Marshall

3A Mr. Sneed

3B Ms. Holtschlag

3C Ms. Hatch

3D Ms. Kellogg

4A Ms. Hunter

4B Mr. Meredith

4C Mr. Klopack

4D Mr. Jefferson

Grade 5

Grade 6

## **Important Links**

Please click on the following links to find out more information about the following.

2017-18 Textbook Consumables

**2017-18 Literature Library** 

2017-18 ANP Uniform and Dress Code

2017-18 Classroom Supplies

Please be sure to visit our website at <u>www.archwaynorthphoenix.org</u> for information regarding the school calendar, start and stop times, upcoming events, and faculty contact information.

#### **Front Office Assistance**

The busiest time of the day in our front office is during drop off. We are looking for someone to help out for a hour (or maybe a little more) a day to assist with getting tardy students to classrooms, running lunches and waterbottles to the lunch room and any copying, filing, and miscellaneous office duties that our front office needs assistance with. Please ensure that your fingerprint card is current to volunteer for this opportunity.

http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0945afae23a1fa7-front

# **Enrichment Program and Class Field Trips**

Once per school year we will ask families to support the **Enrichment Program** and **Class Field Trips**.

Your generous support of the **Tax Credit Drive** in additional to your support of the **Enrichment Program** and **Class Field Trips** make these opportunities possible for every student attending Archway Academy North Phoenix. The <u>Archway North Phoenix Payment Portal</u> provides the option of contributing the \$25 requested Enrichment Fee/Class Field Trip Fee.

# Lost and Found

Our lost and found is full with everything from water bottles, lunch boxes, sweaters and pencil cases. Please have your student check the table in the MPR to claim your items today!



# From the PSO

The Dads Club would like to think everyone who took part in the 2017 Dads Club Cornhole Tournament! We had almost 40 Dads take part (including a couple of famous fatheradministrators like Mr. Fee and Mr. Denton). The champions this year were the undefeated duo of Chris Gardiner and Eric Mears. Congrats!



### **Rebates**

Looking for an easy way to give back to our school? Try one of our easy passive fundraising opportunities listed below-

#### **Amazon Smile:**

Make sure to log in to <a href="https://smile.amazon.com">https://smile.amazon.com</a> every time you shop on Amazon and earn money for our school. Every purchase generates a donation to our school. Haven't linked Archway North Phoenix to your Smile account yet? Make sure to choose **Archway Classical Academy North Phoenix** as your charity and get shopping!

### Fry's Community Rewards:

Be sure to link your Fry's card to Archway North Phoenix and earn money while you shop! Remember: You must re-enroll every August 1st. Click <u>HERE</u> to enroll your card. Be sure to choose **Archway North Phoenix Academy PSO**.

**Boxtops:** Collecting Box Tops is an easy and no-cost way to help support our school. Make sure to keep the expiration date when cutting your Box Tops out and drop off in the collection box in the front office. Last year we raised over \$500 from this simple fundraiser!

# **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 <a href="mailto:menglish@archwaynorthphoenix.org">menglish@archwaynorthphoenix.org</a> 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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