

# Chip the Challenger News



'04, '09,

'15, '19

***Kyrene de la Mariposa***

***Computer Science Academy***

50 E Knox Rd

Tempe, AZ 85284

Spencer Fallgatter, Principal

Carolyn Payne, Assistant Principal

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## School Hours:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri:

Grades K-5 7:30-2:30

Wednesday:

Grades K-5 7:30-12:30

## Preschool Half Day Programs:

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.,

(Not class on Wednesday)

AM 7:30-10:30, PM 11:30-2:30

## Phone Numbers

**Main:**

480-541-3800

**Fax:**

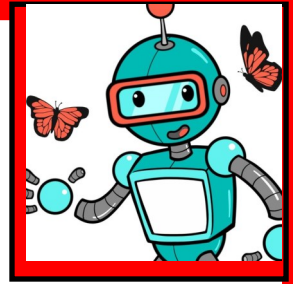
480-541-3810

**Attendance:** 480-541-3801

**Health Office:** 482-541-3820

**Transportation:** 480-541-1700

**Cafeteria:** 480-541-3826



10/4—10/14 Fall Break—No School

10/15—School Resumes



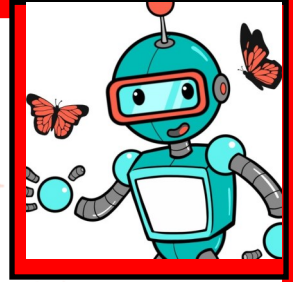
10/23 and 10/24—Parent Teacher Conferences

10/28 and 10/30—Fourth and Fifth Grade Parent Teacher Conferences (Additionally)



11/1—Harvest Festival





## Congratulations Chip Ticket Drawing Winners!!

### Week of September 23rd-27th

#### Preschool

Carys Clemency  
Jacob Tapia  
Brixton Bried  
Semma May

#### Kindergarten

Sydney Fisher  
Landry Wansten

#### 1st Grade

Andrew Davis  
Jorge Duarte

#### 2nd Grade

Sophie Budnick  
Caden Arellano

#### 3rd Grade

Delano Grant  
Rosalina Olivas

#### 4th Grade

Hope Stevensen  
Analise Gomez

#### 5th Grade

Olivia Gonzales  
Gianni Williams

### Week of September 30th-October 3

#### Preschool

Cora Armstrong  
Carys Clemency  
Zenadeen Sheikh  
Josiah Galo  
Zelda Tomachoff

#### Cristiano Cota

Vihana Sunil  
Blake Rolfe  
Lucy Truman

#### Kindergarten

Piper Budnik  
Pyper Reap

#### 1st Grade

Owen Outcalt  
Bryce Hocking

#### 2nd Grade

Sofia Russo  
Carter Moya

#### 3rd Grade

Ayatzini Segura Nguyen  
Anthony Soriano

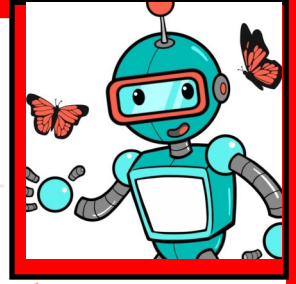
#### 4th Grade

Ryan Shaw  
Keagan Timlick

#### 5th Grade

Aneyce Moreno  
Lian Pan

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Congratulations Chip Miss Manners Ticket Drawing Winners!!

Student: Abinaya Dilipkumar

Grade: 3rd Teacher: Mrs. Carrizosa



**Chip  
Celebrates  
Manners**



Ms. Villegas



By: (Staff Name)

Student: Madhumitha Madhu

Grade: 1st Teacher: Ms. Bristol



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Manners**

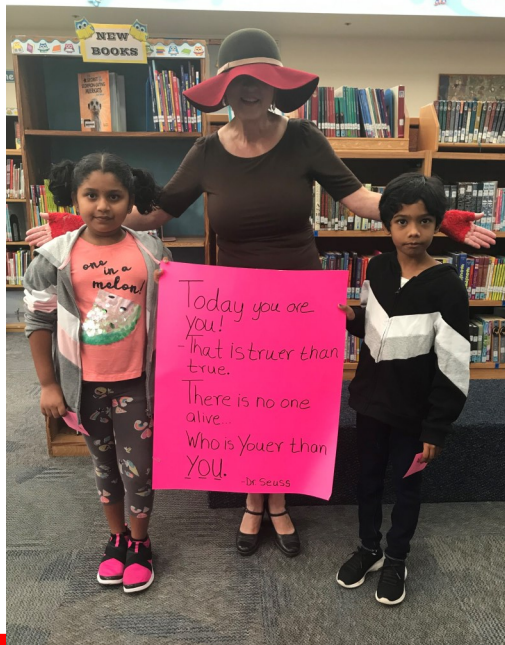


Ms. Bristol



By: (Staff Name)

9/26/2019



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*A few tips from Mariposa's Intervention Specialist,*

*Kristi Wellbrock:*

**How can I support my child with solving math problems?**



According to the NCTM President Diane J. Briars, a key shift is for parents to ask questions to help their children solve unfamiliar math problems rather than to show them how to solve them. When their children are struggling with a math problem, their role is to help *them solve it* by asking questions such as the following:

- What are you being asked to find out?
- What does the problem tell you? Can you describe it in your own words? Have you seen a problem like this before?
- Is there any part of the problem that you already know how to do?
- Is there anything you don't understand? Where can you find the answers to your questions?
- Will it help to make a list, a chart, a table, a drawing, a diagram? Can you act out the problem?
- What do you estimate your answer will be? Why?
- Is your strategy working? Why or why not?
- Is there another way to check your answer?
- How do you know if your answer is right or wrong?

(From *A [Parent's Handbook, Grade K-5](#)*, Allegheny Intermediate Unit, p. 2; similar questions appear in the [Grades 6-8](#) and [Grades 9-12](#) Parent Handbooks.)

*A note from Mariposa's Social Worker,*

*Jenn Casey:*

Fall break has arrived! We have done a lot with our SEL goals, from mindfulness to friendships, to a growth mindset. Growth mindset occurs when we believe our intelligence and abilities can be improved upon with effort and the right strategies. A willingness to confront challenges, a passion for learning and viewing failure as a springboard for growth are all characteristics associated with a growth mindset. Not surprisingly, this type of mindset is strongly linked to greater happiness and achievement in life!

Here are 10 ways that you can help instill a growth mindset in your student:

1. Pay attention to their effort over their result.
2. Catch them being persistent.
3. Be specific with praise.
4. Speak of failure and challenge in terms of them being an opportunity to learn and grow.
5. Use the power of the word "yet".
6. Model a growth mindset!
7. Encourage children to keep the big picture in mind
8. Don't be afraid to challenge them.
9. Give permission to fail.
10. Talk about having a growth mindset.



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## *An message from Mariposa's Computer Science / Gifted Resource Teacher,*

*Megan Ting:*

An excerpt from the International Society for Technology Education's *Your Edtech Conversation Guide: Talking to parents about technology for learning*:

"According to the World Economic Forum, in just five years, more than a third of the

skills we believe to be essential for today's workforce will have changed. As technology takes over more of the tasks that people have traditionally done, workplaces will require those who can bring an analytical approach to solving complex problems. That is, students need to know how to analyze data, design solutions and be computational thinkers. They will also need cognitive flexibility, creativity, logical reasoning and visualization, among others. Skills – not job titles – will define the roles of future workers and most of those

skills will be honed by creating, problem-solving and collaborating using technology."

**THANK YOU!**  
*Family Computer Science Night was a HIT!!*



## *An important message from the District Office*

*A recent lockdown at two of our Kyrene schools has highlighted the importance of text messages for emergency communications. The lockdown required constant communication with parents, as the schools conducted a safe and organized release of students. Throughout the situation, the fastest and most reliable method of communication was text message. Kyrene School District will always communicate in many ways during an emergency (phone calls, social media, web alerts, etc.), but we strongly encourage parents to sign up for texts for the quickest access to information.*

*Text messaging requires parents to opt-in. **Simply text “Y” or “Yes” to 67587.***

*Be sure to first verify that your emergency contact information is up to date in [ParentVUE](#). This information must be verified online every year.*

## *Congratulations Mariposa!!*

From PBISAz Awards Committee:

Congratulations on earning a **2019 Merit PBISaz Achievement Award** for demonstrating high fidelity implementation and improved student behavior from using **Positive Behavior Intervention and Support** systems in your school.

All Award schools receive:

- Award poster to hang in school
- Letters of recognition mailed to district superintendent
- Statewide publication and promotion of your achievement

**City of Tempe Award:** Congratulations! The City of Tempe has awarded Mariposa an Arts support grant of up to \$750 to purchase new glockenspiel and mallets for your music classroom! Thank you to Angela Marshall for submitting the grant!

## *A message from Principal Fallgatter:*

I would like to begin by thanking our PTO! They have worked tirelessly to coordinate and run their own fundraiser, and with your support have successfully met several fundraising goals they set. Your support is very much appreciated as these monies provide additional resources for teachers, classrooms and school wide improvements. It does take a village and this village working together experienced great success! A grand total of \$20,849!!

As we prepare for our Fall Break, I would like to make you aware of several upcoming events. On October 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, Mariposa will conduct Parent Teacher Conferences. This year our teachers are sending out a signup.com link to make scheduling conferences much more efficient and easy for our families. Please make sure you identify a time to have this very important meeting, updating you on your child's progress. Our Fall Book Fair will run from October 23<sup>rd</sup> through October 30<sup>th</sup> and we will culminate with our PTO Harvest Festival on Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. To better accommodate our families, our PTO has decided to host the Harvest Festival on a Friday rather than a Saturday this year.

Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> is Staff Development Day for the Kyrene School District. On this day, staff will be engaged in classes and workshops to further their professional development in regards to supporting our students. We will look forward to having your children return to school on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

We have several families who are parking on the south side of Knox Road in front of the school. Please note that this is a no parking area, as designated by the City of Tempe and could result in a citation. Families crossing with their children at this area are putting the safety of our students and families at risk. Thank you for ensuring that our drop off and pick up practices are ones that make the safety of our students and families our number one priority.

Thank you for being an important part of our Mariposa community. I am grateful for having the opportunity to work in this special place. Mariposa is home to a Computer Science Academy, to supportive and wonderful families and most importantly beautiful children that are a joy to see and interact with each day!

I hope you have a relaxing Fall Break! If together, we always put children at the heart and the center of our decisions, your child's experience at Mariposa will be nothing but the best.

Respectfully,

*Spencer Fallgatter*, Principal