

# NEW VISTAS NEWSLETTER

NEW VISTAS CENTER FOR EDUCATION

NOVEMBER 2019

IT IS NOT HAPPY  
PEOPLE WHO ARE  
THANKFUL. IT IS  
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**HAPPY.**

## Hello from NVCE

As Abraham Lincoln said in his Thanksgiving proclamation, "May you always have many reasons for Thanksgiving in your hearts." And, we do! We love what we do and are grateful for each and every child and family.

Carol Elias, Kristi Roher, and the Entire Staff of New Vistas Center for Education

Save the date for our annual Open House!

**NVCE Presents:**

## A Community of Cultures

**December 18th**

**6:00pm - 7:30pm**

**New Vistas - 40 Years and Growing**

**Come celebrate with us!**

**Alumni Tent\* Photo Booth\* Timeline\* Surprises Galore**



## 2019 PMD FUNDRAISER GOLF TOURNAMENT



Thank You and Hearty Congratulations to the NVCE staff members, and kudos to Mrs. Roher for the support, organization, and efforts working on the 2019 Believe Beyond Ability Fundraiser Golf Tournament in September. NVCE was proud to sponsor one of the holes and we are proud to report that a new record for donations was achieved!

**Pelizaeus-Merzbacher Disease (PMD)** is a rare, progressive, degenerative central nervous system disorder. Mrs. Roher's son, Camden, now age 8, was diagnosed with PMD. As you can see, he's a happy, smart boy who has learned to do hard things!

## LIBERTY WILDLIFE

Liberty Wildlife visited our Second Grade Students in October, sharing stories about wildlife rescues in Arizona, and sharing some amazing wildlife with the students.

Liberty Wildlife works to ensure that our wonderful local species are recognized as a precious and integral natural resource. The conservation group is a community resource, dedicated to instilling compassion for, and protection of, our local wildlife. We were grateful for their visit, as our students will become the future for the safekeeping of our wonderful Arizona animals.



## DIWALI LUNCHEON



Thank you to our wonderful East Indian families who shared their Diwali celebration with us by providing a delightful buffet lunch.

## THANKSGIVING CELEBRATIONS

Preschool and Pre-Kindergarten Classes will be learning about the Pilgrims and the First Thanksgiving. Students will be sharing in a Thanksgiving "Feast" in their individual classrooms prior to this special holiday. A detailed letter will be sent home at a later time explaining what this "feast" involves. Watch for other class celebrations in the planning stages.



## COUNTRY OF STUDY

During November, students in

Preschool, PreK and Kindergarten will study the culture, geography, and history of Nigeria.







## HALF DAY

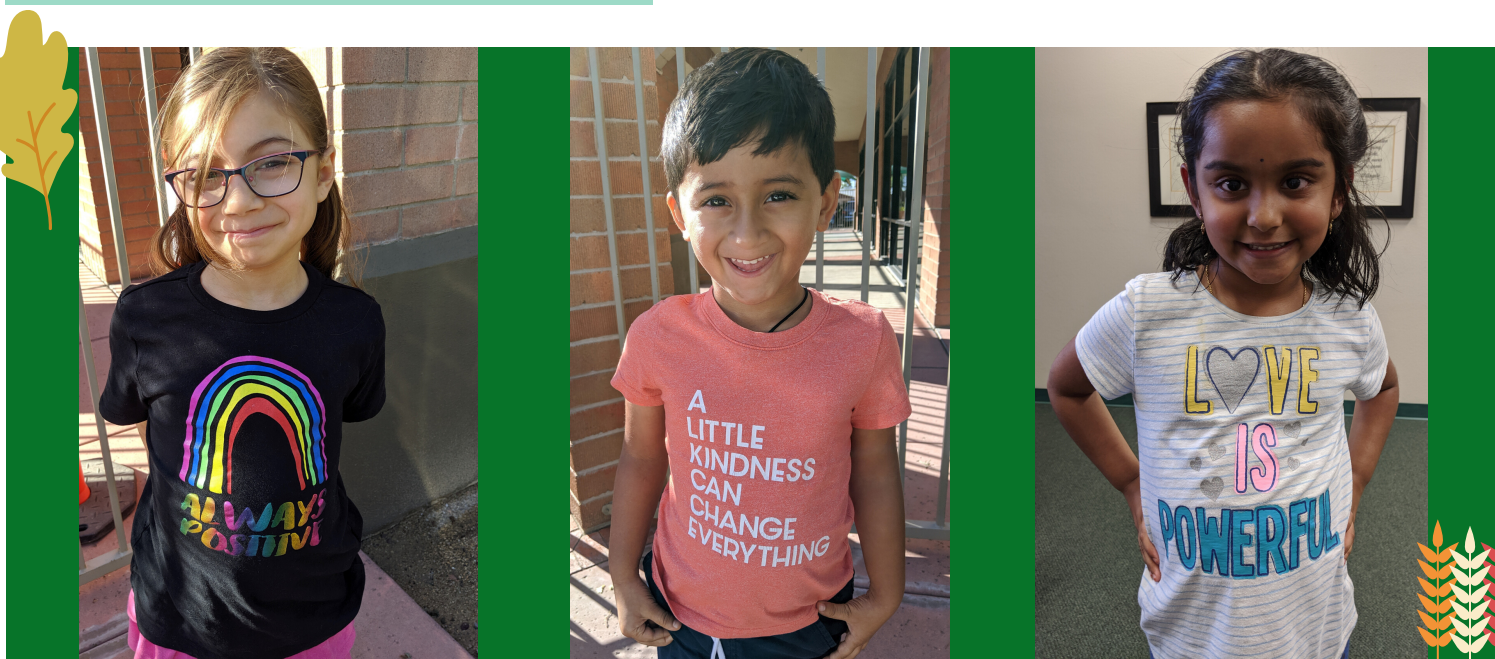
All students will be dismissed at Noon on Thursday, December 19th. Please remember that there will be NO Discovery Aftercare Program on Thursday, December 19th when classes are dismissed at Noon.

## WINTER RECESS

New Vistas will be on Winter Recess from Noon on Thursday, December 19th through Monday, January 6th.  
School resumes on Tuesday, January 7th.

## 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR

It is hard to believe that it is getting close to that time of the year when we begin the registration process for our 2020-21 school year. Priority registration of continuing students and their siblings will begin on Tuesday, January 21st. All New Vistas students need to register every year. Registration for new students will begin on Tuesday, February 4th. Registration will then be ongoing on a first come, first served basis until classes are full and waiting lists are established. Please don't hesitate to contact us or stop in with any questions about the 2020-2021 school year.



## EARLY ADMISSION TESTING

- If your child is not 5 years old by September 1, 2020, & you are interested in early enrollment for Kindergarten for the 2020-21 school year, you will need to make an appointment for early admission testing.
- Students must turn 5 before December 31, 2020, to be tested for early admission to K.
- New Vistas does not encourage families to pursue early Kindergarten enrollment unless test results indicate a high level of academic achievement *and* maturity.
- The Early Admission to K testing is by appointment only and will begin January 15, 2020.
- Please pick up a "Request for Early Admission Form" from your child's current Preschool / Pre K teacher, fill it out, & then return it to your child's teacher for her to complete.

## YEARBOOK

Memory Book will again be the publisher of our 2019-20 New Vistas' Yearbook. It will feature individual pictures of all students, teachers and aides, as well as a collage page for each class.

Every student will receive a yearbook at the end of the school year, which is included in your activity fee.



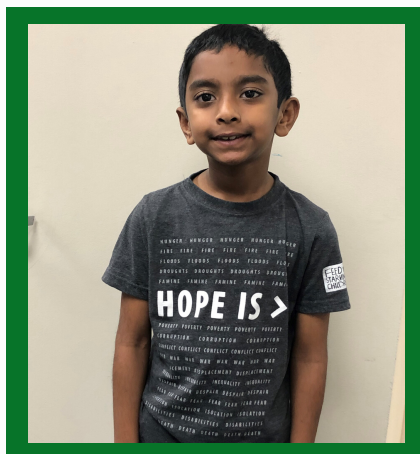


## YOUR BRAIN: THE OWNER'S MANUAL

Students continue learning about their complex, magnificent brains.

In September, students in Kindergarten through Sixth Grades learned about how their brains store information and how to better teach their brains to learn and remember effectively, and to manage their emotions.

(We are looking forward to the 25th Anniversary of Brain Awareness Week the week of March 17th 2020, after our return from Spring Break.)



## COMMUNITY FOOD DRIVE

During the month of November, we will be conducting our annual canned food drive at school to help stock the shelves at the AZCEND Community Food Bank. This nonprofit organization serves the Chandler, Queen Creek, and Sun Lakes areas by providing a 3 or 4 day emergency food box for those in need. Boxes will be set up near our front hall drinking fountain in the office area beginning Friday, Nov. 1st. We encourage you to talk with your children about the purpose of a food bank and helping those less fortunate. We will be collecting any type of canned food (fruit, meat, soup, vegetables) or other nonperishable food items (cereal, macaroni and cheese, rice and noodles) and proteins such as peanut butter or canned chicken. The Food Bank also provides items such as deodorant, disposable diapers, toothpaste and toilet paper to those in need if you would like to donate any of those.

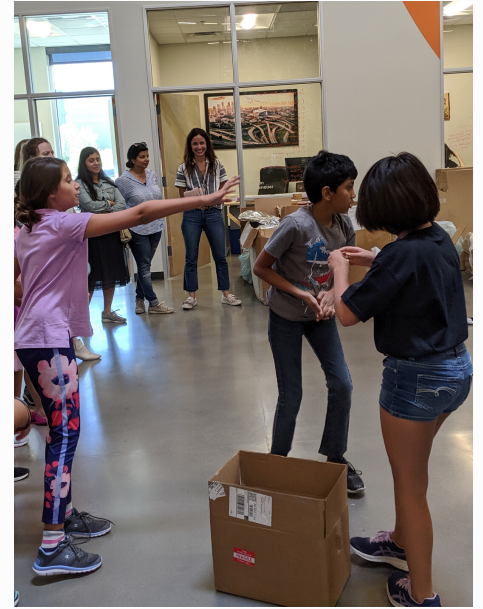
Thank you for helping! The Food Drive will end on Tuesday, Nov. 26th.

**Gratitude makes sense of our  
past, brings peace for today, and  
creates a vision for tomorrow.**

Melody Beattie







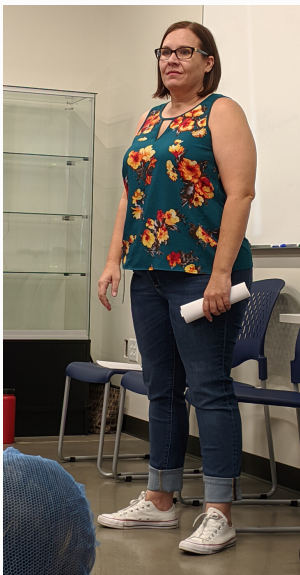
## What an Opportunity!

Our Fifth and Sixth Grade Students had the chance of a lifetime to go through Footprints, the Chandler company dedicated to providing creative alternatives for plastic products and packaging.

Our students and chaperones had the opportunity to learn about the entire production process from idea to design to prototype testing and production!

Students are beginning to think about identifying their own ideas and working through the process in order to participate in our own Science/Engineering Expo, 'Footprints for the Future'.

We learned, for example, that Starbucks uses 6 billion cups per year, and we can innovate and do our parts to protect the ecosystem for all living things on our planet.







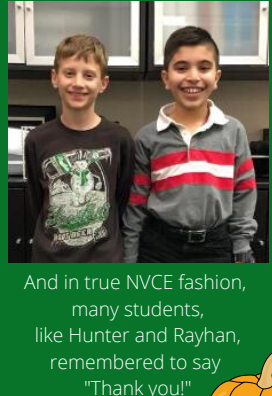
# Welcome Fall!!

On the afternoon of Thursday, October 31st, our Preschool through Sixth Grade Students participated in a special celebration of fall on our NVCE Campus.

Students visited a traveling Kona Ice Truck for a delicious shaved ice cone in their choice of flavors.

Students also enjoyed a fun, fall craft experience.

We are all celebrating the cooler weather and the wonderful changes the fall season brings to Arizona!



And in true NVCE fashion, many students, like Hunter and Rayhan, remembered to say "Thank you!"





# LOOKING AHEAD:

## NOVEMBER:

- Nov. 1 Fri.** AZCEND Food Drive begins
- Nov. 4 Mon.** Printed Student Evaluations distributed (Preschool-Sixth)
- Nov. 11 Mon.** Veterans Day, National Holiday, school recess
- Nov. 12 Tues.** Grade Level Spelling Bees
- Nov. 22 Fri.** First Grade Field Trip (Walsh/Hindall, and Rabo/Randall) 9am-2pm
- Nov. 26th Tues.** Food Drive ends
- Nov. 27 Wed.** Thanksgiving Holiday (Classes resume Mon. Dec. 2)



## DECEMBER:

- Dec. 3 Tues.** School Wide Spelling Bee
- Dec. 6 Fri.** 2:00 pm Show Choir Performance
- Dec. 7 Sat.** Show Choir Parent Performance
- Dec. 17 Tues.** 1:00 pm Speaker 5 and 6
- Dec. 18 Wed.** 6:00-7:30 pm Open House
- Dec. 19 Thurs.** Noon Dismissal No lunch. No aftercare.

## JANUARY 2020:

**CLASSES RESUME TUESDAY, JANUARY 7**