

Thornhill PS Email Information: Monday, November 6, 2023

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 5- Daylight Savings Ends — Don't forget to turn your clocks back!

Tuesday, November 7

- *Pizza Lunch (for those who order)*

Thursday, November 9

- *Subway Lunch (for those who order)*
- *Progress Report Cards sent home electronically to families by the Board (Nov. 9-11)*

Friday, November 10

- *Remembrance Day Commemoration @ 10:45 a.m.*

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Tuesday, November 14

- *Pizza Lunch (for those who order)*
- *Last Day to sign up for Parent Teacher interviews*

Thursday, November 16

- *Subway Lunch (for those who order)*
- *Photo Retake day for students who were absent*
- *Parent Teacher Interviews*

Friday, November 17

- *PA Day – No school for students*
- *Parent Teacher Interviews*

REMEMBRANCE DAY

Dear Thornhill Public School Families,

Saturday, November 11th is Remembrance Day, and this Friday, November 10th, staff and students will take time to recognize this day by gathering in the gym for a commemoration from 10:45-11:15 a.m. Parents are welcome to attend.

Each student in our school will receive a poppy to wear in honour of past and current service men and women of the Canadian Military. **We are asking each child to donate a loonie.** Donations will be sent to the **Royal Canadian Legion's Poppy Campaign.**

Please send in your donation with your child (in a sandwich bag or envelope). Many thanks for your generosity.

LEST WE FORGET – A mini Q & A about the Poppy Campaign

(From the Canadian Legion's website at www.legion.ca)

- 1. What does the poppy represent?** The poppy represents the symbol of Remembrance.
- 2. Why should I wear a poppy?** When you wear a poppy or display a wreath, you honour the war dead and help ex-service personnel and their dependents.
- 3. How can I help needy ex-service personnel and their dependents?** Contribute to our Poppy Campaign. The basic purpose of poppy funds is to provide immediate assistance to ex-service members in need. This may include food, shelter, or medical attention for them or their families.
- 4. Are there any other uses for poppy funds?** Yes. Poppy funds can be used for low-rental housing and care facilities for the elderly or disabled, community medical appliances and medical research, day care centres, meals-on-wheels, transportation and related services for veterans and their dependents. Donations may be given for relief of disasters declared by the federal or provincial governments. Scholarships and bursaries are also provided for needy dependents or ex-service members.

Thank you for your support!

Thornhill Public School

PA DAY NOVEMBER 17TH

Our staff will be participating in professional activities on Friday, November 17th. There will be no school for students that day. If you would like to learn more, please see the agenda for our activities below:

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITY (PA) DAY- November 17 2023

ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

P.A. DAY – Nov. 17, 2023

Length: Full Day

Topic: Report Card Preparation, Reporting to Parents, Ongoing Communication

Entity Hosting: All Elementary Schools

Presenter(s)/Facilitator(s): Parent/Teacher interviews onsite

Description: Parent/Teacher Interview on site. Full Day of Professional activities focused on reporting to parents and ongoing communication regarding student achievement and well-being, involving Parent/Teacher Interviews.

PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please read the information below regarding parent-teacher interview booking. Invitations to book interviews were sent on Friday, October 27th. Interviews will take place on November 16th and 17th. **The last day to book interviews in November 14th.**

Parents' Night is on Thursday, November 16th in the evening and Friday, November 17th during the day. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher(s) in person, and learn more about the classroom. Edsby is the online tool supported for scheduling elementary interviews/conferences. Families will receive an invitation to sign up for a meeting time once the schedules are available.

[Edsby](#) is a cloud-based platform that lets families easily reserve times to meet with your child(ren)'s teachers. YRDSB in partnership with Edsby have created a secure platform that protects the privacy of information for families.

Families that already have an Edsby account may use their previously created account. The username is the full email address that is on file at your child(ren)'s home school and the password is the one created at activation. If you have forgotten your password, you can find [resources on the Board website](#) to help, including how to reset your password.

Families who **do not have** an Edsby account will need to create one to access the online appointment scheduler for their child's teachers for Parents' Night. **An up-to-date and valid email address must be provided to your child's home school.** For help creating an Edsby account, [instructions can be found on the Board website](#). An email from York Region District School Board with instructions on how to create an Edsby account will be sent to your email inbox. If you do not receive the email, please check your junk mail folder to ensure you do not miss this opportunity.

Below is the sample invitation email sent to parent(s)/guardian(s) on behalf of YRDSB.

Edsby has been chosen by [school board name] to provide a modern way for parents and guardians to follow their children's progress at school, receive school updates, and much more.

You are receiving this Edsby invitation because you are listed as a parent or guardian of [child's name].

To activate a new Edsby account, or to connect this student to your existing Edsby account, please [click here to accept](#).

If you have any questions regarding Edsby please contact the school office.

To watch a video that describes how to set up your parent account please use the following link:

<https://vimeo.com/edsby/edsby-help-videos-for-school-administrators/video/144798060>

If this message was sent to you in error, or you do not wish to join Edsby, please [click here to decline](#).

If you have any questions about this process please contact our main office for support.

If you have any challenges with meeting in-person on the scheduled days, please contact your child's teacher.

For help signing up for Parent-Teacher interviews, please visit [our board website](#).

Important Timelines

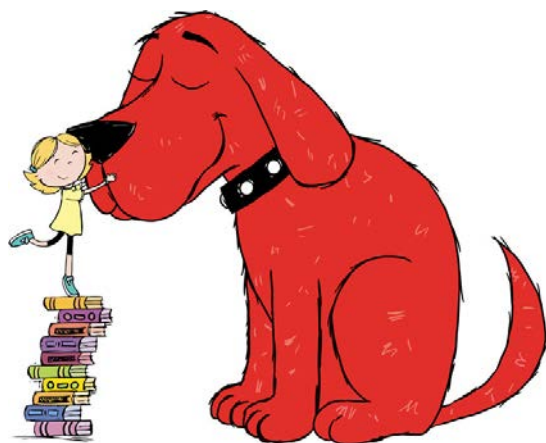
No later than Parents/guardians to create Edsby accounts.
October 25th

October 27th Parents' Night schedule opens for booking. Log into your Edsby account. An invitation to book appointments will be sent to your Edsby account and a notification to your email. Instructions for signing up for interview slots are found [here](#).

November 15th Interview Scheduler closes at (9:00 a.m.)

November 16 - 17th Family-Teacher Interviews/Conferences

BOOK FAIR FLYER



Dear Families,

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming back to Thornhill Public School on **Wednesday, Nov. 15 - Monday Nov. 20** We invite you to share in this celebration of reading and books.

The book fair will be open:

	Wed. Nov. 15	Thurs. Nov. 16	Fri. Nov. 17	Mon. Nov 20
RECESS 10:10 - 10:30	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN for FAMILIES 9:00 - 11:00 am	OPEN
LUNCH 12:30 - 1:00	OPEN	OPEN		OPEN

		OPEN for FAMILIES 3:00 - 8:00 pm		
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- Come visit the fair on Interview Night
- All purchases benefit our school and earn Scholastic Dollars that can be redeemed for books and educational resources for our school's classrooms and library
- Each family can complete a ballot to WIN \$25 for the family & \$25 for their classroom

Thank you for supporting the LOVE of READING,

Mrs. Finkelstein

- We accept VISA, Mastercard and CASH (no cheques)
 - ALL SALES are FINAL