

Thornhill PS Email Information: Monday November 4, 2024

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Sunday, November 3- Daylight Savings Ends — Don't forget to turn your clocks back!

Monday, November 4

- Homework Club – Ms. Sacks

Tuesday, November 5

- *Pizza Day – for those who ordered*
- *Homework Club – Ms. Rehan*
- *Int. Girls Volleyball @ EJ Sands after school*

Wednesday, November 6

- *Grade 8 visit to Thornhill Secondary School*
- *Popcorn delivery – for those who order*
- *Int. Girls and Boys Volleyball @ Willowbrook after school*
- **LAST DAY TO BRING DONATIONS FOR THE WINTER HOLIDAY BASKET FUNDRAISER**

Thursday, November 7

- *Subway Sandwich Day– for those who ordered*
- *Homework Club – Ms. Noordeh*
- *Errol Lee School Presentation*

Friday, November 8

- *Progress Report Cards sent home electronically to families (Nov. 8-11)*
- *Intermediate Boys Volleyball – Area Tournament @ Baythorn*

EVENTS NEXT WEEK

Monday, November 11

- *Homework Club – Ms. Sacks*
- *Remembrance Day*

Tuesday, November 12

- *Last Day to sign up for Parent Teacher interviews*
- *Pizza Day – for those who ordered*
- *Homework Club – Ms. Rehan*
- *Book Fair opens!*

Wednesday, November 13

- *Intermediate Girls Volleyball – Area Tournament @ Baythorn*

- *Photo Retake day for students who were absent*
- *Book Fair*
- *Popcorn delivery – for those who order*

Thursday, November 14

- *Subway Sandwich Day– for those who ordered*
- *Homework Club – Ms. Noordeh*
- *Parent Teacher Interviews in the evening*
- *Book Fair*
- *Silent Auction for Winter Holiday Baskets begin (in library)*

Friday, November 15

- *Parent Teacher Interviews – daytime*
- *PA Day - No school for students*
- *Book Fair – closes 11 a.m.*
- *Silent Auction for Winter Holiday Baskets last day (in library)*

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REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Monday, November 11th, staff and students will take time to recognize Remembrance Day by gathering in the gym for a commemoration.

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

BOOK FAIR

Dear Families,

The Scholastic Book Fair is coming back to Thornhill Public School on

Tuesday, Nov. 12 - Friday Nov. 15 We invite you to share in this celebration of reading and books.

The book fair will be open:

	Tues. Nov. 12	Wed. Nov. 13	Thurs. Nov. 14	Fri. Nov. 15
RECESS 10:10 - 10:30	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN for FAMILIES 9:00 - 11:00 am
LUNCH 12:30 - 1:00	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN	
			OPEN for FAMILIES 3:00 - 8:00 pm	

- 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

COOKIE SALES FUNDRAISER FOR GRADE 8 GRADUATION

Thornhill Public School will be having a Cookie Sales Fundraiser to support our Grade 8 Graduation.

Individually wrapped cookies from Terra Cotta (nut free, kosher & halal certified) are sold for \$2 each, for a total of \$30 for 15 weeks. Two choices are available: Chocolate DeLite or Funfetti DeLite.

You may also order once a week from the "Weekly Order - Grade 8 Graduation Cookie Sales Fundraiser" item on School Cash Online.

Cookies will be delivered weekly on the following Tuesdays:

November 5, 12, 19, 26

December 3, 10, 17

January 7, 14, 21, 28,

February 4, 11, 18, 25

Thank you for your support to our Grade 8 students.

PA DAY NOVEMBER 15TH

Our staff will be participating in professional activities on Friday, November 15th. 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 15 2024

ALL ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

P.A. DAY – Nov. 15 2024

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.

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SPIRIT WEAR IS BACK!

We are proud to offer Thornhill Public School Spirit Wear!

Please use [this link](#) to view the items available for purchase and to place your orders. If you choose to have your order delivered to the school, orders will arrive the week of December 16th for distributions. **The last day to order in time before the winter break is November 24th....hurry, don't delay!**

We would like to thank you in advance for your support in raising our school spirit.

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR SCHOOL COUNCIL

Dear Families of Thornhill Public School,

Each year, your School Council raises and sets aside a certain amount of funds to benefit from a cost-sharing program to upgrade the technology (i.e. iPads and Chromebooks) within our school and other initiatives such as the [Forest of Reading](#) program (quality Canadian books to foster a love of reading and develop literacy skills). We are thrilled to introduce this fundraiser early in our school year to help us reach our goals!

The Great Holiday Basket Auction.

From now until Wednesday, November 6th, we will be collecting donations from students to build themed Winter Holiday Baskets. Each classroom has been assigned a theme (see below) and we are asking that your child bring in a brand new, unwrapped item to school which can be included in the basket being prepared by his/her classroom. Please use your discretion when spending, we are thrilled to receive donations of any size.

All donations must be submitted by November 6th at the very latest to be included.

Additional donations for other classroom basket themes are always appreciated. If you know any local businesses that may be interested in participating, please have them contact Ms. Hascal at lisa.hascal@yrdsb.ca to coordinate their donation.

The baskets will be on display during our Parent-Teacher conferences on Thursday, November 14th and Friday, November 15th. Parents will be able to complete a “bid form” and place it in a sealed box next to the basket you would like to bid on. The family with the highest bid will be contacted.

Thank you in advance for your participation and your generous support!

IMPORTANT DATES:

November 6th - last day for donations

November 14 & 15 -families (adults) may bid on the baskets. They will be on display in the library along with our annual Book Fair/

November 19 - The highest bidder will be notified to arrange for payment on School Cash Online and basket pick up.

Interested in learning more about the School Council? Join us at our next general meeting on Tuesday, November 26th at 7pm in the library. All are welcome!

Holiday Basket Themes - by Homeroom Teacher

Teachers	Basket Theme	Ideas
Ms. De Luca	Sport	<p>. Gift Cards: Sport chek, Foot locker, Sporting Life</p> <p>. Mini/Regular sport equipment: Hockey, baseball, basketball, tennis, soccer</p> <p>. Jerseys, safety equipments, collectible cards</p>
Ms. Rehan/Ms. Hood	Camp Fire	<p>*NUT FREE*</p> <p>.S'more kit, Blanket, Bug spray, Snacks, Marshmallows, marshmallow sticks, chocolate bars, outdoor coffee mugs, outdoor hot chocolate kit.</p> <p>Gift card: Canadian Tire, Bass Pro, Home Depot</p>
Ms. Shillinger	Bookworm	Cozy blanket, Indigo gift card, night light, tea, hot coco, books of all level, cozy socks, journal books, pens etc
Ms. O'Brien	Arts and Crafts/ Stationery	<p>Crayons, makers, colour pencils, water colours, paints, ink pad, sponge, glitter, pom pom, white glue, glue stick, stickers, play dough, notebooks, sketchbooks, stapler, pencils, erasers, ruler, protractor set, calculator, pens etc</p> <p>Gift cards: Michael's, Walmart, Dollar Store</p>

Ms. Wilson/Ms. Kaplan	Toy Mountain	Silly putty, Hot Wheels, Squish mallow, Lego, Rubik's cube, Pop it, Fidget toys, slime Gift Cards: MasterMind, Toys r Us, Walmart, Amazon, etc
Ms. Kirshenbaum	Home Goods	Home Sense, home decor, candles, decorative seasonal goods Gift Cards
Ms. Pistritto	Pet Bucket	Treats, Pet toys, leash, gift card to PetSmart, gift certificate for pet grooming, doggy daycare, grooming tools, etc
Ms. Pleten, Ms. Savage, Ms. DiMatteo, Ms. Soudack	Spa Rejuvenation	Bath bomb, loofah, comfy slippers, magazine, robe, face mask, body soaps/ lotion, bath pillow, bath salt, massage certificate, facial certificate, mani-pedi certificate
Ms. Fischer	Movie Night	Blanket, pan popcorn, snacks, Cineplex gift card, fast food restaurant gift card, popcorn holder, Netflix certificate, apple certificate
Ms. Noordeh	Baking Basket	*NUT FREE* Cookie cutters, spatula, whisk, apron, mixing bowl, pre-mixed batter, baking sheets, homemade recipes
Ms. Sacks	Family game night	Board games, Cards, dice, Mind games, snacks, collect four, etc Gift certificates: Mastermind, Toys r us, Walmart

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PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

Please read the information below regarding parent-teacher interview booking.

Invitations to book interviews will be sent on Monday, October 28th. Interviews will take place on November 14th and 15th. On Monday, October 28th, you will receive an email through EDSBY inviting you to book an interview with your child's teacher.

Parents' Night is on Thursday, November 14th in the evening and Friday, November 15th 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.

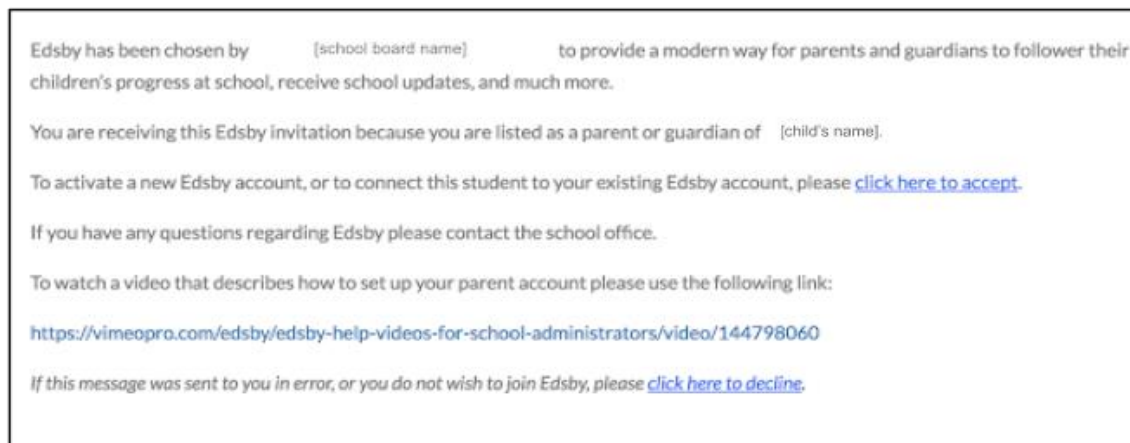
[Edsby](#) is a cloud-based platform that lets families easily reserve times to meet with your child(ren)'s teachers. YRDSB in partnership with Edsby have created a secure platform that protects the privacy of information for families.

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.



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
October 25th

Parents/guardians to create Edsby accounts.

October 28th

Parents' Night schedule opens at 9:00 a.m. 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 12th Interview Scheduler closes at (9:00 a.m.)

November 14 - 15th Family-Teacher Interviews/Conferences