

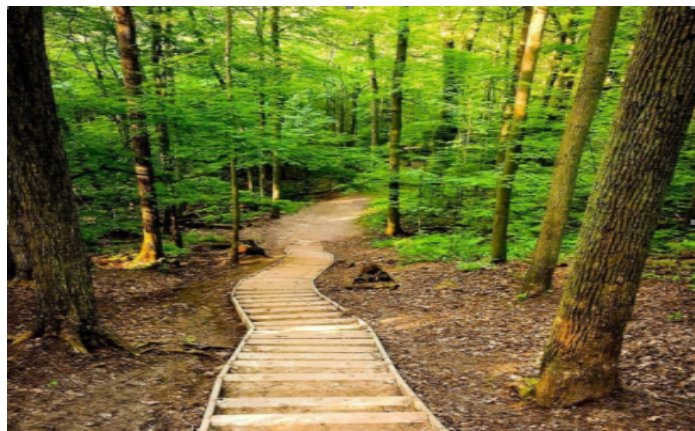


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Message From the Principal

Dear Thornlea Families,

We are expecting Friday April 22nd to be a challenging day. There are two significant faith days taking place and that coupled with illness as a result of Covid 19 will reduce the number of teachers that we have available. As always we will do our best to keep everyone safe and that will likely require the school combining classes and the administration will be in classes as well on the day.

Here at Thornlea we like to boast about our student's success in the classroom, theatre, playing fields and now in robotic competitions. After an absence of several years a robotics team has returned to our school. We would like to congratulate the team and their advisor Mr. Etwaroo on their stellar performance as they won a judges award and a rookie award for a new team in the provincial championships.

In the area of poetry we also had success at an Online national competition. Congratulations to Mr. Capilongo and all the participants who won awards in both English and French language categories.

The next big event that Thornlea is preparing for is the grade 10 Literacy Test and it will take place on May 10th. Grade ten students will be doing a number of practice activities to prepare them for the test and these will be taking place in their regular grade ten classes. These assignments will simulate the EQAO questions that students will receive on the test day. The grade ten literacy test is a graduation requirement and must be passed for a student to graduate from High School. If you have specific questions around the test please feel free to contact our literacy teacher Ms. Rai. I would like to wish all our students Good Luck on this upcoming assessment.

On Tuesday April 19th we had a very well attended school council meeting. Thanks to everyone who attended. Our final meeting of the year will take place on May 16th at 7:00 p.m. closer to the date a link will be emailed home. If you are free that evening I hope that you can join us. Finally, our Mid-Term report cards will be sent home electronically between April 28th and May 2nd. If you do not receive your child's report card please reach out to us. Wishing everyone a relaxing weekend hopefully with some warm spring weather.

Warmest Regards, Joe Foti Principal



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School Council Corner

Upcoming Meetings:

May 16, 2022

We wanted to send a friendly reminder about our online fundraiser, **FlipGive**. Thank you to those of you who have registered but we need more people to sign up. Remember, it's virtual and at no cost to you. **FlipGive** can be used for when you're buying gift cards for any occasion; Birthdays, Christmas, Hanukkah, Easter, Ramadan, Mother's Day or Father's Day, Teacher Appreciation, Graduation. **It can also be used by you for everyday purchases** at Wal-mart, Sobey's, Loblaws or Staples or staying at a Hotel. There are so many stores to choose from.

➤ **Join online at:** <https://flipgive.app.link/teams/join?joincode=5FLXC7>

Use this code: **5FLXC7**

Please share the link with your family, friends & coworkers to help support our school.
All proceeds will be used to support our students.



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Absence Protocol

If your child is going to be absent, please inform us.



Call: 905 889-9696
Press 1 for Attendance
or
Email

thornleass.attendance@yrdsb.ca

Has your contact information changed?



Please email:

thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca

Covid-19 School Screening Tool:

<https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/>



Masking recommendation in York Region schools

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/sites/default/files/2022-04/Parent%20Letter%20-%20Masking%20Recommendation.pdf>



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Classroom Connection

At the Ontario Provincial Champanionship of the FIRST Robotics Competition this past weekend April 14 - 16, our robotics team continued their stellar performance by winning two awards - the Highest Rookie Seed award and the prestigious Judges' Award. Our robotics team was invited to compete at the FRC World Championship in Houston, Texas, (but are unable to travel). This cap off our robotics students exceptional FIRST Robotics Competition season this year during which our students won the Rookie All-Star award and Highest Rookie Seed at each of their competition events during the regular season of the FIRST Robotics Competition.



Attached are links to the videos. To jump directly to our students jump to the video at 10:30 and 32:00.

[Youtube Video](#)





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Thornlea's Poetry in Voice Team Champions

For the third year in a row our Poetry in Voice Team made it into the winner's circle. Poetry in Voice hosts an annual national and regional French and English Poetry Recitation Contest. Our team worked really hard to memorize and then recite their chosen poems with great passion and feeling.

2022 Senior Online National Competition

Kate M. English Semi-finalist

French : Ontario Online Team Regional

3rd place:

THORNLEA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Roya M.

Maya L.

Kate M.

2022 Eastern Ontario Online Team Regional

Contest language: English

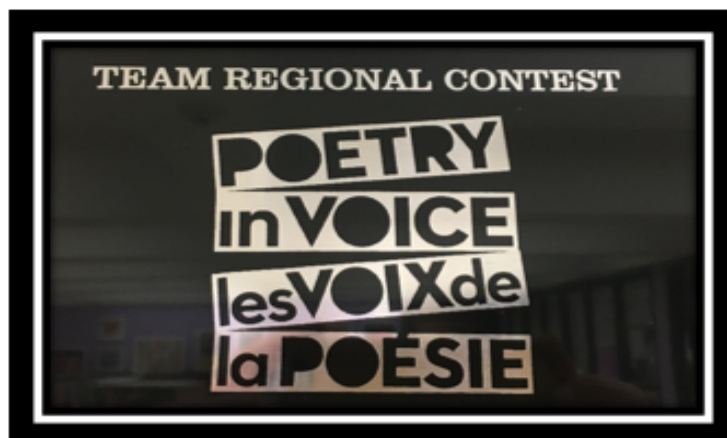
2nd place:

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Julia P.

Narges M.N.

Kate M.





Student Success Corner



Late/Missed Assignments

Students are responsible for providing evidence of learning within a timeframe specified by the teacher, and in a format approved by the teacher. There are many supports available to help students with assignment completion. Students should understand that there will be consequences for not completing assignments for evaluation or for submitting those assignments late. Our Student Success Team is here to help.

Our Students Success Team is made up of a school administrator, student success teacher, guidance counselor, special education teacher and other educators (i.e. literacy teacher, math teacher, ELL teacher, CYW). The Student Success Team meets regularly to provide extra attention to students that need it, review data and determine next steps.

If you need to get in touch with us please email our Student Success Guidance Counselor:

Viviane.estafanos@yrdsb.ca



The Student Success Team is happy to continue offering ...

Thornlea's Mentorship Program for the year 2021-2022.

Thornlea's Breakfast Club Program. We continue to offer pre-packaged breakfasts daily from 8: 30 to 8:50 AM. (Available for pick up at the school's main entrance)

Thornlea's Tutoring Program will restart on Thursday February 17 after school. Students can receive extra support every Thursday after school in TLC (Thornlea Learning Centre-Room 213) or daily during lunch.

*Thank you for your continued support!
The Student Success Team*



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Message From Guidance

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G. Burdett (Guidance Secretary) - gail.burdett@yrdsb.ca	

Summer School

→ Summer School registration will be shared in the next few weeks.

University Applications:

- The next OUAC University grades transmission is scheduled for **April 28, 2022.**
- Click on the link for **OUAC Important Dates - Jan - June 2022**

College Applications:

- The “Equal Consideration” Deadline for your Ontario College Application was February 1st, 2022. Students can still apply. Please see your counselor if you need support.
- Please check your OCAS account for offers of admission and check your emails, including your spam and junk, just in case.
- **The next OCAS transmission will be in late April 22, 2022.**

Please access information through our Thornlea Guidance Webpage:

[Thornlea Guidance Webpage](#)

[Ontario University Slide Deck Presentation](#)

[Ontario College Slide Deck Presentation](#)

Thank you for your continued support.

Mr. Nizam Alkins, Head of Guidance and Career Education



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Summer Pathway Programs 2022

2 Credit In-Person Co-op May-July 2022
May 25-July 29, 2022

Dual Credit - Remote and In-Person July 2022
July 4-29, 2022

Youth Innovation By Design - YSpace Markham Campus
July 6-29, 2022

1 Credit In-Person Co-op
July 6 –29 2022

More Information

2022 Summer School Programs (Open for Registration)

In-person Summer School:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/secondary-school/summer-learning-opportunities/2022-person-secondary-summer-school>

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/secondary-school/summer-learning-opportunities/secondary-summer-school/courses-offered>

On-Line Summer School:

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning/online-learning-secondary-summer-school>

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/schools-programs/online-learning-formerly-e-learning/summer-school-online-learning/online-learning>



Information from YRDSB



World Holocaust Remembrance Center

Main Presentation: 10:00am - 11:00am

Optional Q&A: 11:00am - 11:30am

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/virtual-tour-world-holocaust-memorial-center>

April 27th, 2022 (Holocaust Memorial Day)

Registration Form:

<https://forms.gle/PiiU9sygGjhjxsr8>

Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - April 2022



One Small Thing: Fostering Positive Mindsets

<https://www2.yrdsb.ca/node/3157>



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The Alliance of Educators for Black Students (AEBS) 2022 Scholarships for Black Students Graduating from York Region District School Board High Schools

Deadline: Monday May 16, 2022

<https://sites.google.com/gapps.yrdsb.ca/aebsscholarships/home>

Now accepting applications for the Prime Minister's Youth Council.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/campaign/prime-ministers-youth-council.html>

The deadline has been extended to April 24, 2022 at 11:59 p.m. (Pacific Time)



Funding and Resources to Families with Developmental or Physical Disabilities and Special Needs

Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers!

Join us to learn and share with your community how the families are supported!

Date: Wednesday April 27th, 2022

Time: 6:30-8:00pm

Location: Zoom Link will be provided

Presenters: Athavi Kugathasan
Mercy Tang
Winnie Ho

**For more Information, please contact
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The Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee (PEAC) and Leadership Development and Engagement team are pleased to announce the return of the annual



**PEAC Regional Symposium:
Parent Voice Matters!
Wednesday, May 4, 2022
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**

The theme for 2022 will continue to focus on successful strategies for improved parent engagement.

This year's PEAC Regional Symposium (previously called Regional Parent Symposium) will be guided by the **Director's Action Plan (DAP)** and its fourth goal which commits the YRDSB to build trust and collaborative relationships with students, families and staff through respectful and responsive communication focused on shared solutions.

This event will be virtual. Please visit the **PEAC Regional Symposium webpage** for more information on registration for this event and workshops in the upcoming weeks.



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Alliance of Educators for Black Students (AEBS) EBS Annual Student Achievement Awards 2022 “Celebrating Black Excellence”

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 (Virtually) 5:30 pm - 7:30 pm (EST)

Please use the following hyperlink to submit your nomination(s):

<http://bit.ly/AEBSAwards22>

For optimal results, please select Google Chrome as your browser.

Nominations Due: Monday, MAY 9th, 2022



The South Asian & Tamil Women's Collective Annual Well-Being Conference

The South Asian & Tamil Women's Collective (WOW) in collaboration with ESSAH and ETSS invites self-identifying South Asian and Tamil, female/non-binary, grades 5 to 12 students to attend our **2022 Annual Well-Being Conference Virtual**

Students will participate in two evenings of culturally responsive coaching and mentorship in support of agency, health, and well-being.

When

Wednesday, May 11th and Thursday, May 12th, 2022
4:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Where

Zoom link to be provided by email

Registration

Students should register for the conference through the Google Form.

REGISTER TODAY
bit.ly/SATWC





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YRDSB Helpful Links:

[What is De-Streaming](#)

[COVID-19 Mental Health Resources for Students and Families](#)

[School Mental Health Ontario](#)

[COVID Community Resources for Behaviour, Mental Health and Financial Supports](#)

Upcoming Events

Mid-Term Report Cards	May 2, 2022
PA Day	May 6, 2022
OSSLT - Grade 10	May 10, 2022
OSSLT - Grade 11 & Grade 12	May 11, 2022
Virtual School Council Meeting	May 16, 2022
Victoria Day Holiday (No School)	May 25, 2022
EQAO - Math	June 20, 2022
EQAO - Math	June 21, 2022
Graduation	June 27, 2022
Prom	June 28, 2022
PA Day	June 30, 2022