



Thornlea Secondary School

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Bi-Weekly e-Bulletin

November 11,, 2022

IMPORTANT DATES

Nov. 11	Remembrance Day Assembly
Nov. 16	Canadian Int. & Sr. Math Contest
Nov. 17	Homecoming
Nov. 17	Semi-Formal Paradise Banquet Hall
Nov. 18	PA Day



MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Thornlea Families;

This Thursday is our annual Homecoming Dance which is returning after a three year absence due to Covid. Our Girls' Volleyball team is playing in the afternoon on Thursday and students who have purchased a Homecoming ticket can watch the game. The Homecoming Dance is the largest event we have ever held and we have sold over 400 tickets. Unfortunately, the room is at capacity and we cannot anymore tickets. This Thursday the transformation of our gym will begin with the installation of a mural designed by our own Mr. Belchevski. It will take four days to install the mural and the crew will be working on the PD day and over the weekend to complete the project.

Last Friday we were able to hold a Remembrance Day ceremony for our students in the gym. A huge thank you to Ms. Ceausu our Head of History for planning our ceremony. Mrs. Bern and our art students for providing the art work and our band who were led by Ms. Kennedy. Today our Jr. Boys volleyball is playing in the YRAA Volleyball tournament.

This Monday there will be a school council meeting in our library at 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing the recent changes to our grade nine and ten programs for next year. The school will also send out a link for those parents and guardians who wish to attend virtually.

Warmest regards,
Joe Foti

SCHOOL COUNCIL

Meeting Time: 7:00pm
Meeting Location:
Library (across from the office)
& Online

Meeting Dates:
Monday Nov. 21, 2022
Tuesday Feb 21, 2022
Monday April 17, 2022

SCHOOL email:

thornlea.ss@yrdsb.ca

ATTENDANCE email:

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STUDENT MEDICAL FORMS:

[Anaphylaxis Health Care Plan](#)
[Asthma Health Care Plan](#)
[Diabetes Health Care Plan](#)
[Epilepsy Health Care Plan](#)
[Self Administration Of Medication](#)
[Staff Administration Of Medication](#)

YRDSB LINKS:

[What is De-Streaming](#)
[York Region Public Health](#)
[COVID-19 Mental Health Resources for Students and Families](#)

USEFUL LINKS:

[YRDSB Website](#)
[Thornlea Website](#)
[Thornlea Calendar](#)
[Thornlea Instagram](#)
[York Region Public Health](#)

CLASSROOM CONNECTION



The tradition of Thornlea supporting Indigenous students at YRDSB continues. This October, students in Mr Braband's Technological Design class made drum rings that will be used to make traditional Anishinaabe drums. This project has been ongoing since 2016.

Students make the 16 sided "rings" from pine and develop the math and construction skills to take rough lumber to a smooth frame that can be used by Indigenous students to make personal hand drums.

The rings are used by students who make the finished drum, and are able to carry on ancient traditions that involve learning how to make the drum and care for it. The drums will stay with a person throughout their lives and are used at gatherings and ceremonies.

Board centrally assigned staff work with Indigenous students from across the YRDSB to finish these drums with the support of community members. The drums and the relationships that the students make are an important part of the cultural resurgence that we are seeing across the region, and are a meaningful act of reconciliation where non-Indigenous students are offering support to a long standing tradition at the board.

Thank you to Thornlea for your ongoing support.

Andrew McConnell
First Nation, Métis and Inuit Education Coordinator
York Region District School Board



THORNLEA HISTORY DEPARTMENT

REMEMBRANCE DAY
NOVEMBER 11, 2022

LEST WE FORGET
N'OUBLIONS PAS

Today, students and staff at Thornlea participated in an Assembly to acknowledge the 95th observance of Remembrance Day. Thank you to Ms. Kennedy, Ms. Casullo, Mme Pilaram, Mme I. Bern, Ms. N. Bern, Mr. Belchevski and Mme De Luca's students for their contributions and assistance this year. By scanning the QR CODE you will be able to view the videos used in today's Assembly, which are also available on our Instagram @thornleayrdsb and @thornleahistory. Ms. Ceausu, Dept Head of History

bit.ly/ThornleaRemembers2022



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GUIDANCE NEWS

To Grade 12's Applying to an Ontario University, if you have **not** received your **OUAC Pin Code** Letter, please email nizam.alkins@yrdsb.ca to request it as soon as possible.

We are also excited to announce the relaunching of the **Student Life Expo**, taking place in-person on November 12th at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre. Please **register for free** through the link below to save students from paying \$10 at the door .

<https://studentlifeexpo.com/>

COMMUNITY NEWS

[Centre for Black Student Excellence Newsletter - November 2022](#)

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INAUGURAL BOARD MEETING

Monday, November 21, 2022
7:00 p.m.

[Virtual Meeting](#)

You are cordially invited to attend the
York Region District School Board
Inaugural Board Meeting on
Monday, November 21, 2022.

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The Inaugural Board Meeting can be accessed
through the [Virtual Meeting link](#).

AGENDA

1. Call to Order by Interim Director of Education and Secretary-Treasurer
2. Land Acknowledgement
3. Canadian National Anthem
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest
6. Invocation - Student Trustees Teerka Baskaran, Prisha Bhavsar and Holly Schlamb
7. Signing of the Trustee Code of Conduct Acknowledgement and Undertaking
8. Introduction of Trustees
9. Declaration and Oath or Affirmation
10. Declaration of the York Region District School Board Officially Constituted
11. Introduction of Human Rights Commissioner and Scrutineer
12. Election of Board Chair 2023
13. Presentation of Gavel of Office to Board Chair 2023
14. Election of Board Vice-Chair 2023
15. Election of Finance and Property Standing Committee Chair 2023
16. Election of Policy and By-Law Standing Committee Chair 2023
17. Election of Learning, Equity and Well-Being Standing Committee Chair 2023
18. Election of Trustee Members on the Ontario Public School Boards' Association Board of Directors 2023
19. Motion to Destroy Ballots
20. Presentation of Gavel to Past Chair (if required)
21. Remarks from the 2023 Board Chair
22. Adjournment

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

2022 - 2026

Aurora and
Whitchurch-Stouffville

Melanie Wright

Georgina and
East Gwillimbury

Carolyn Butterworth

King and Vaughan
(Ward 1)

Nadeem Mahmood

Markham

Jenny Chen
(Wards 1 and 8)

Ron Lynn
(Wards 2 and 6)

Ed Law
(Wards 3 and 4)

Michael Chen
(Wards 5 and 7)

Newmarket

Pamela McCarthy

Richmond Hill

Crystal Yu
(Wards 1, 2 and 4)

Cindy Liang
(Wards 3, 5 and 6)

Vaughan

Elizabeth Sinclair
(Wards 2 and 3)

Estelle Cohen
(Wards 4 and 5)

Joining a York Region District School Board Teams Live Event

Please see steps below for support in accessing the Microsoft Teams platform being used for York Region District School Board events. For more information, visit Microsoft Support - [Attend a live event in Teams](#)

IMPORTANT: There are **TWO** options to join the Event:

OPTION A) If you do not have an MS Teams Account, follow Option A

OPTION B) If you already have an MS Teams Account follow Option B

OPTION A: Join *without* an MS Teams Account

If you don't have a Microsoft Teams account, follow these steps to join as a guest.

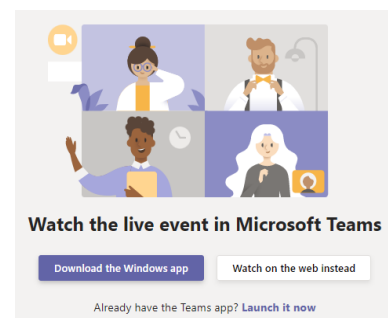
1. Select the event meeting link found below to join:

Monday November 21st, 7:00 pm

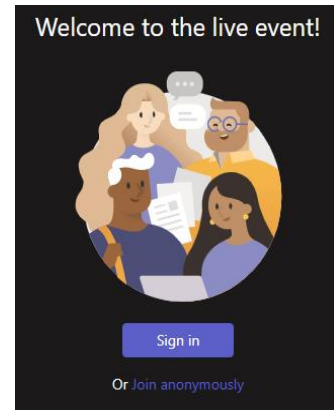
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2. Select **Watch on the web instead**. If you join via the web, you can use either Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome web browser. Your browser may ask if it is okay for Teams to use your mic and camera. This is not required to watch this event.



3. Select **Join anonymously**, to be taken into the event.



OPTION B: Join *with* an MS Teams Account

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1. When prompted, select **Open Microsoft Teams** to be taken into the event.

