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Message From the Principal

Dear Thornlea Families,

I would like to thank Laurie Herman for helping us out in the office. Ms. Herman has filled in as our Vice-Principal since November and she will be missed by our students and staff. In her place her position will be covered by three of our teachers Ms. Salsberg, Ms. Estafanos and Ms. Gord until the end of the school year. We are relieved that we have completed the grade ten literacy test and are now preparing for EQAO math test which takes place toward the end of June. I would like to congratulate our chemistry students and their teacher Dr. Manivannan for their work on the chemistry competition hosted by the University of Waterloo. We had several students place at the very top as they competed with students all over Canada.

At school this week our spring sports are coming to an end. I would like to congratulate the Girl's 7 a side rugby team that had a great year. They finished second and won the silver medal on Wednesday. The Boy's sevens team also had a strong season winning their last two games of the season. Our athletic program comes to a conclusion with our annual athletic banquet which is returning this year after a two year absence due to Covid. The event takes place at the Shangri La Banquet Hall on June 15th between 6:00 and 11:00 p.m. thanks to our athletic committee and Mr. Hutchison for organizing the event. Our senior school play is taking place in theatre 219 this year and the Final show is on Friday night at 8:00 p.m. Our grade 9/10 drama class will present their show on June 23rd and June 24th tickets are \$5. Hope to see you there.

The school year is rapidly coming to an end. This semester as in first semester there will be no final exams at Thornlea. Instead there will be culminating projects and ISU's that will take the place of exams. Our teachers will be reaching out to our students and their parent/guardians to make sure that they have handed in all outstanding work and will be working with students individually the last week of school to complete all missing work. In addition our student success teacher Ms. Estafanos and the staff in room 213 (TLC) are also available to help with end of school assignments. This Friday June 3rd Thornstock takes place outside on our playing field from 11:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Warmest regards,

Joe Foti



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School Council Corner

Friday June 17, 2022

THORNLEA STAFF APPRECIATION

HELLO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.

ON <u>FRIDAY JUNE 17TH</u> THE THORNLEA SCHOOL COUNCIL IS ORGANIZING A STAFF APPRECIATION BREAKFAST. AS PARENTS, WE FELT THIS WAS A GREAT WAY TO RECOGNIZE THE STAFF. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION, PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING TO THE EVENT.

WE ARE COLLECTING ONLINE GIFT CARD DONATIONS TO TIM HORTONS AND ARE ASKING THE THORNLEA COMMUNITY TO SHOW THEIR GRATITUDE TO THE STAFF BY SENDING E-GIFT CARDS VIA THE PARENT COUNCIL EMAIL ADDRESS:

THORNLEA.SS@SC.YRDSB.CA

PLEASE SEND YOUR TIM HORTONS E-GIFT CARDS BY JUNE 13^{TH.}
THIS WILL GIVE US ENOUGH TIME TO DETERMINE HOW MUCH
DONATIONS WE RAISED AND WHAT FOOD ITEMS WE CAN BUY FOR
THE EVENT.

ANY AMOUNT THAT YOU CAN PROVIDE WOULD BE GREATLY
APPRECIATED WHETHER IT BE \$5 OR MORE. THE GIFT CARDS CAN BE
PURCHASED AT:

HTTPS://WWW.TIMHORTONS.CA/TIM-CARD

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR ASSISTANCE IN MAKING JUNE 17TH A SPECIAL DAY TO THANK THE SCHOOL STAFF.

SINCERELY YOURS,
THORNLEA SCHOOL COUNCIL



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To Purchase Gift Cards: Please go to the website:

https://www.timhortons.ca/tim-card

And follow the below steps. All donations must be received by June 13

Step 1: Choose Buy a Tim Card



Step 2: Put Thornlea School Council under "Their Name" and then put your own name so we can thank you for the



Step 4: choose the card design and then select how much



Step 5: You can go down to \$5 and up to any amount you would like to donate, select the -/+ sign





Step 6: Type in your Message





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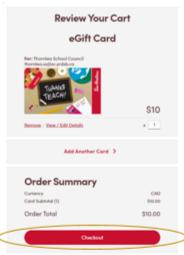
Step 7: Type in thornlea.ss@sc.yrdsb.ca for the email and add your delivery date



Step 9: Add your contact details and payment info



Step 8: Review and then select checkout





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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

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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

There will be no formal exams; the 5 days at the end of the semester will be used for culminating activities.

Culminating Activities: June 22* - June 28, 2022 * Grade 12 Courses - Begins June 20th.		
Culminating Activities / Course Review Day – Jun 29, 2022		
8:50 - 9:25	Homeroom & Period 1 (Block 1)	
9:30 - 10:05	Period 2 (Block 3)	
10:10 - 10:45	Period 3 (Block 2)	
10:50 - 11:25	Period 4 (Block 4)	
11:25 - 12:20	Lunch	
PM	Continued instructional focus for the remainder of the day where teachers are available to support students (e.g., individual consultation with students/parents as needed.	

Student Dress Code review

The YRDSB is undergoing a review of the Student Dress Code Policy #635.

Please take a few minutes to provide your input. Link below.

https://www2.yrdsb.ca/about-us/policies-procedures/guideline-policy-and-procedure-review



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The Thornlea girls rugby team started practicing in March after a 2+ year pandemic driven hiatus. The girls were rugby hungry, and so were their coaches. With 28 girls on the roster (2 teams), they plugged away at their skills and fitness in early morning practices for almost 6 weeks before finally facing opposition. In their first game of the season, they faced St. Maximiliian Kolbe CHS, a school known for their strong rugby programs. Both Thornlea teams battled hard, but narrowly lost their games. On May 31, at the YRAA Championship, Thornlea was given an opportunity for a rematch. The Thornlea Tier 1 team showed up strong and beat St-Max Tier 1 in an exciting semi-final, putting them in the YRAA Final. The Thornlea Tier 2 team faced St. Max Tier 2 as their last game of the season, and although the score went back and forth, Thornlea played with so much heart and finished on top, ending the season with a well-deserved win! Thornlea Tier 1 battled a very tough Bill Crothers SS team in the YRAA Final, and finished with a silver medal. Thornlea Rugby is saying goodbye to 19 graduating players this season- you will all be missed!! Congratulations to both teams on a very unique and memorable season. Coaches Ackerman, Bendavid and Heather couldn't be more proud!





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Robotics students demo their robot at ESP showcase event on May 26th.



International Languages - Secondary Students

Credit Course - Registration: May 25, 2022 to September 19, 2022

Courses run from October to June.

Location	First Day of Class	Day of Class	Class Time
Online	September 28	Wednesday	5:45PM - 9:25PM
Online	September 24	Saturday	8:45AM - 12:25PM



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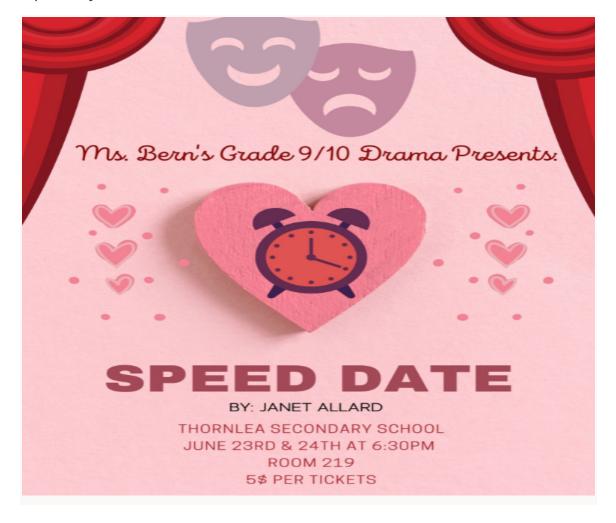
It's our *Grade 9/10 Drama play: Speed Date!* by Janet Allard

Showtime dates will be on Thursday, June 23rd and Friday, June 24th, 2022, 6:30pm, in room 219.

Tickets are 5\$ and everyone is welcome! Tickets will be sold at lunch the first week of June.

Snacks and popcorn will be sold outside of the Drama Room during intermission.

Hope to see you there!





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Chem 13 News Exam by University of Waterloo:

On May 13th 2022, Thornlea's grade 12 chemistry students from Dr. Manivannan's class had an opportunity to test their chemistry skills and knowledge with other students and high schools across Canada and worldwide by writing the Chem 13 News Exam, a challenging online exam conducted by the University of Waterloo. We are thrilled to announce that our students performed exceptionally well, and out of the 18 students that took part in the exam, we secured the first 15th places in the Thornhill City ranking. While first 10 high achieving participants earn Certificate of Distinction from University of Waterloo, the 5 top performing students in addition are receiving a limited-edition plaque featuring an element from the university's <u>Timeline of Elements poster</u>.

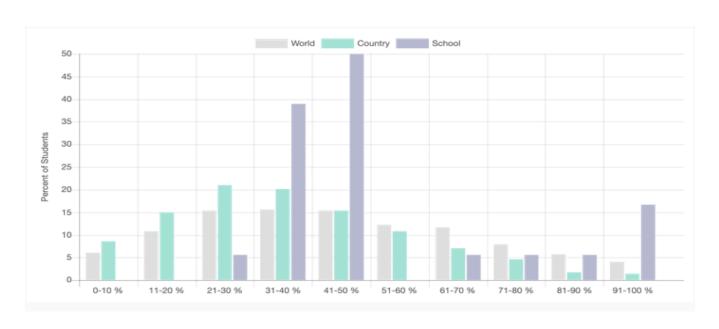
We are happy to announce that our students placed 2^{nd} (94.38%), 3^{rd} (93.75% -score is tied), 24^{th} (81.25%) and 67^{th} (70%) in Canada. More interestingly, out of the 1340 participants from around the world, our top 5 students hold the 7^{th} , 9^{th} (2 students), 111^{th} and 232^{nd} places in the world. Please join us in congratulating the following 10 students for their hard work, perseverance, and recognition.

Student	City Ranking	Award(s)
Thuan Huy	1st in Thornhill	Elemental Tile + Certificate of Distinction
Owen	2nd in Thornhill	Elemental Tile + Certificate of Distinction
Arya	2nd in Thornhill	Elemental Tile + Certificate of Distinction
William	4th in Thornhill	Elemental Tile + Certificate of Distinction
Tristan	5th in Thornhill	Elemental Tile + Certificate of Distinction
Ethan	6th in Thornhill	Certificate of Distinction
Jessica	7th in Thornhill	Certificate of Distinction
Matthew	8th in Thornhill	Certificate of Distinction
Alex	9th in Thornhill	Certificate of Distinction
Mani	10th in Thornhill	Certificate of Distinction
Scott	11 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Golsa	11 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Calvin	11 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Kole	11 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Yuchen	15 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Roshan	15 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Kayvan	15 th in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition
Stepan	21st in Thornhill	Certificate of Recognition



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School Average:	52.33 %
Country Average:	36.54 %
World Average:	44.99 %

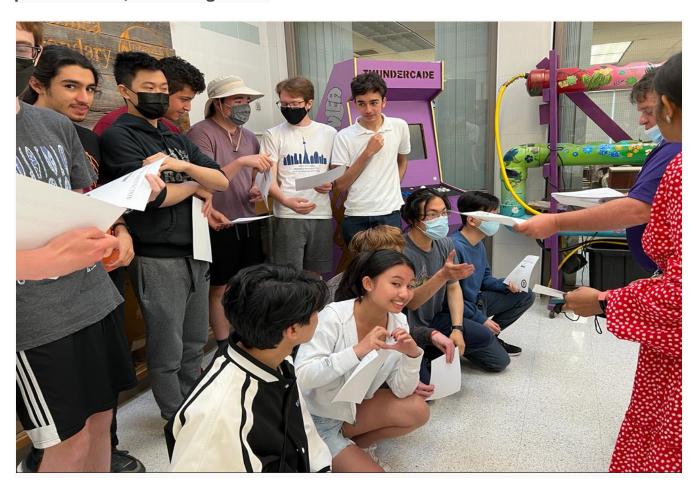




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The Graduation Ceremony will be held at **LeParc**

8432 Leslie Street, Thornhill, Ontario L3T 7M6 (Parking availability is limited)

The Ceremony will begin at 7:00pm Graduates are asked to arrive at <u>6:00pm Sharp</u>

2 Guest Tickets Per Grad
Tickets and Gowns will be distributed to
the graduates in mid-June

If you require additional tickets, please send your child to see Ms. Burdett in Guidance on June 15th from 7:00am—8:45am (An additional 2 tickets may be provided on a first come first serve basis).



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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:





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

Guidance Team Members	Student Surname:
N. Alkins (Head of Guidance -) <u>nizam.alkins@yrdsb.ca</u>	A - ION
L. Rai - <u>lovleen.rai@yrdsb.ca</u>	IRE – MOF
T. Gord - <u>tamara.gord@yrdsb.ca</u>	MO – TON
V. Estafanos - <u>viviane.estafanos@yrdsb.ca</u>	T00 – Z0M
G. Burdett (Guidance Secretary) - gail.burdett@yrdsb.ca	

Summer School

→ Summer School registration is still open, please contact your guidance counselor for support.

College and University Applicants

- → Graduating students who plan to attend college or university in September should continue to check their OCAS and OUAC accounts and their email on a regular basis. College bound students should have received a response from the colleges that they applied to and can expect to receive communication about payment of fees, with mid-June being the earliest that colleges can require payment of tuition fees.
- → A reminder that all offers are CONDITIONAL upon the receipt of final grades in July students should continue to work hard to ensure the required final average.

University Applications:

Click on the link for **OUAC Important Dates - Jan - June 2022**

→ Important Notice for all grade 12's that have applied through OUAC for university!

Your mid-term grades from semester two have been processed by OUAC and sent to the Universities to which you have applied. Please log on to your online application in order to review your academic information. This verification is especially important if OUAC does not have a valid email address on file, or you are not able to receive emails from OUAC/your Universities because of a junk-mail setting with you inbox. If you see an error in your OUAC file, it is very important that you contact your Guidance Counselor as soon as possible to have it corrected.



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- → The next OUAC transmission will be on July 7th.
- → University bound students should verify the deadline for <u>payment to secure a space in residence (usually June</u> 1st).

College Applications:

- → Important Notice for all grade 12's that have applied through OCAS for college!
 - Your mid-term grades from semester two have been processed by OCAS and sent to the Colleges to which you have applied. Please log on to your online application in order to review your academic information. This verification is especially important if OCAS does not have a valid email address on file, or you are not able to receive emails from OCAS/your Colleges because of a junk-mail setting with you inbox. If you see an error in your OCAS file, it is very important that you contact your Guidance Counselor as soon as possible to have it corrected.
- → The "Equal Consideration" Deadline for your Ontario College Application was February1st, 2022. Students can still apply. Please see your counselor if you need support.

Community Service Hours

We would also like to remind our learning community that there is a process in place for Community Service Hours. All graduating students must complete 20 community hours to obtain their Ontario Secondary School Diploma. The Guidance department must approve your community service opportunity before you start your hours. It should be at a Not-For-Profit organization.

See link below for the form:

http://www.yrdsb.ca/schools/thornlea.ss/guidance/Documents/Community%20Service%20Hours%20Form.pdf

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
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Information from YRDSB



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)



https://www2.yrdsb.ca/student-support/equity-and-inclusive-education/centre-black-student-excellence



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Triple P Parenting Seminar

Parenting Traps: Strategies for a Successful Summer!

Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers!

Join us to share, learn and build a school culture where mental health and well-being is valued and promoted.

Date: Wednesday, June 7, 2022

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Location: Zoom Link will be provided

Facilitator: Uma Bhatt, R.S.W. York Hills Centre for Children, Youth and

Familie

Register for this session

Student Mental Health and Addictions Newsletter - June 2022



June Newsletter

YRDSB Seeks Parent, Family and Community Engagement Advisory Committee Members

Click Here for More Information



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After School and Evening Mental Health Supports in Light of War In Ukraine and Global Conflicts 2022

Mental Health Supports



Got Pandemic Pain?

Introduce Yogic home remedies into your wellness routine

This session <u>in Tamil</u> will provide information about:

This event is for Students, Parents, Grandparents and Caregivers!

Join us to learn and share with your community.

Date: Wednesday June 8, 2022

Time: 6:30 p.m - 8:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom Link will be provided

Presenter: Suba Nagulananthan Experienced Registered Yoga Teacher M.Sc in Yoga, YKT, YACEP, E-RYT 200 **Register Here**



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Our community has been invited to attend a 'STOP Racism – Learn, Listen, Care and Stand Up!" webinar hosted by Oscar Peterson Public School. This even has been funded by the Parents Reaching Out (PRO) Grant.

They look forward to reaching as many people as possible as this is a virtual event. Grab a coffee, some snacks and a friend, and make an evening of this.

Here is the link to register:

https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAldemqqzIjGNZWCQU0ebsVVBGeXfITQpqK (or use the QR Code on the attached flyer)

The guest speakers are: Christina Furtado and Kendal Doucett with guard.meCARES

Understanding Anti-Black Racism and Anti Oppression

Systemic racism and oppression are not new concepts, and yet, racial inequities have been exacerbated and brought to the forefront during what has been experienced collectively as a time of great isolation and suffering. While this webinar has a focus on anti-Black racism, it can also help to support a larger understanding of racism, bias and stereotype, and their impacts on our individual mental health and community well-being.

Christina Furtado

Christina Furtado is the Mental Health and Wellness Specialist with guard.me and has spent 2 decades working within mental health and wellness in various capacities. As a trained Mental Health Counsellor specializing in the areas of substance-use disorders, mood-related disorders, as well as anxiety and trauma-related disorders, Christina brings her clinical expertise to the guard.meCARES platform through the Wellness and Learning Initiatives Program.

Kendal Doucett

Mental Health & Wellness Consultant with guard.meCARES; A graduate of Centennial College and Brock
University's Recreation & Leisure Studies program - Kendall brings an appreciation not only for the
therapeutic impact and importance of engagement with recreation & leisure opportunities within the context
of promoting optimal individual and community mental health & wellness, but also, understanding how
psychoeducation can operate as a catalyst for healing and transformation. Kendall proudly and openly
positions himself within the collective BIPOC & 2SLGBTQ*IA+ community.



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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

Thornstock	June 3, 2022
Luminary Awards 6 pm	June 10, 2022
EQAO - Math	June 20, 2022
EQAO - Math	June 21, 2022
Graduation	June 27, 2022
Prom	June 28, 2022
PA Day	June 30, 2022