

# Thornlea SS

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# Message from our VP's.....

Hello Parents/Guardians,

On Tuesday, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, we held our virtual parent-teacher interviews. Our teachers were happy to connect with many parents to outline curriculum expectations and discuss your child's academic progress. If you were unable to schedule an interview, please email your child's teachers directly to set up an alternate time.

On Monday October 26<sup>th</sup>, our School Council session featured a presentation on the application process to colleges and universities. The presentation has been posted to our 2021 Graduation classroom. Please encourage your Gr. 12 student to join the classroom, if they have not done so already.

The code to join: aonjtop. All Ontario University application pins **(OUAC)** have been emailed to student gapps accounts. If your grade 12 child has not received their pin, please connect with our guidance office.

All Gr. 12 students are reminded that for equal consideration to universities they need to apply to <u>OUAC</u> by January 15, 2021. Applications to Ontario Colleges need to be submitted through <u>ontariocolleges.ca</u> by February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021. Thornlea submits all grades electronically four times a year: mid-November for Gr. 12 grades from semester 1, at the end of semester 1, after mid-terms in semester 2 and the final grades at the end of June. May 27 is the latest date that a student can expect a response from a university and May 1 from college.

Students are reminded that they must complete 30 credits in order to graduate from high school, in addition to 40 hours of community involvement and their literacy requirement. This year, due to COVID-19, the requirement for the community hours for our Gr. 12 students *only* has been changed to **20 hours**. We encourage students to review their progress towards graduation periodically and discuss their path with their guidance counselor. This <u>website</u> has more information about graduation, courses, and other elements.

Grade 9 students will have the opportunity to participate in a virtual *Take Our Kids to Work* (TOKW) event on Wednesday November 4<sup>th</sup> from 12:30-3:30pm. A letter outlining details for this event was sent to parents. Via the gapps account, students will receive a google form shortly to sign up for options.

Last, but not least, our <u>Grade 8 Open House Virtual Night</u> is being held on Tuesday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. We would tremendously appreciate your support by spreading the word on all the wonderful things that Thornlea has to offer. You can also visit Thornlea's newly created Instagram account. Follow us here to learn about news, events and announcements at *"ThornleaSS"*.

Sincerely,

Sofia Papadatos & Lana Fisher Vice-Principals

# HOUSE

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Tuesday November 10 2020

6:30 - 8:00pm Presentation

Q&A

#### LEARN ABOUT OUR UNIQUE PROGRAMS

- •Advanced Placement (AP) & Pre-AP
- Academy of Creativity & Multimedia (ACAM)
- French Immersion
- Specialist High Skills Major (SHSM)

### https://youtu.be/9wCTt6LEYuA





November 4 & 5 Class of 2020 Diploma Pick-up 1-3pm November 10 Grade 8 Virtual Open House 6:30—8:00pm November 13 PA Day November 16 School Council Meeting All about Scholarships November 26 Virtual Graduation Class of 2020 7pm **Christmas Break** December 21-January 1 School Council Meeting January 18 February 1 PA Day

# Health Care Revised School Screening Checklist

Each day, parents/guardians and students over 18 are responsible for <u>reviewing</u> <u>and adhering to the checklist</u> from York Region Public Health. This checklist has been recently updated to reflect the Ontario government's revised COVID-19 Screening Tool for Children in Schools and Child Care. Please note that the new screening guide applies to children only and the adult screening has not changed. Thank you for working with us to protect the health and safety of students, staff and families and to reduce the spread of COVID19.

#### Self-screening tool

To help reduce the spread of COVID-19 the ministry has asked us to share the <u>https://covid-19.ontario.ca/school-screening/</u> link with our school community.

#### TVO Mathify

TVO Mathify is a free Ontario math support for Grades 6 to 10 students. It offers live 1:1 confidential tutoring in a login secured environment, as well as 24/7 resources that can be accessed at any time. Some brand new features include:

- The interactive whiteboard will be available 24/7

- Students and tutors will have full audio available to facilitate communication
- Fully mobile-enabled, including the whiteboard, and the audio

- Allows for uploading of images from either the camera roll on a mobile device, or the hard drive from a computer

- Lessons are scaffolded with printable presentation notes, and conclude with a quiz to assess for understanding

- A handy math glossary with 500+ math definitions, concepts and diagrams TVO resources can be accessed at: <u>https://www.tvo.org/education-tools</u>

# **Virtual Drama Club!**

OK theatre types! Mr. Stone is going to try to run a VIRTUAL DRAMA CLUB!

How is this going to work, you ask?

Stone has almost no idea what this will end up looking like, BUT he *does* know that the start to any project is taking the first step. Plus life without extra-curriculars is the WORST. So let's do this thing. If you are interested, send Stone an email at <u>sean.stone@yrdsb.ca</u> and he will email you the class code that we will be using for the club. Spread the word to friends of yours that might not read newsletters! Once I have a critical mass of people that are interested, we'll google meet and figure out how we want to play this. Like we say in theatre, "It's kinda fun making the impossible happen..."

# Remembrance Day 2020

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of the End of the Second World War. Thornlea acknowledges the sacrifice these heroes made and we remember. Nous nous souvenons.

This year due to COVID19 restrictions, we will not be having our Annual Remembrance Day Assembly. However, we will be collecting cash donations from staff and students for our Veterans.

If your child would like to donate, please have them provide a cash donation to receive a poppy from their Period 4 teacher.

Thornlea History Department

Lest We Forget Ne l'oublions pas



Accelerated OYAP and Apprenticeship College Information Night

Learn about Apprenticeship Pathways and the Accelerated OYAP program. You should attend this information night if:

- You are a grade 12 student who is planning on entering the Skilled Trades;
- You are a grade 10 or 11 student who would like more information on this program to better prepare for this pathway, OR;
- You are the parent/guardian of a grade 10-12 student who is considering a career in the skilled trades. Additional information can be accessed <u>here</u>.

Thank you. Lana Fisher Vice-Principal

#### Parents' Corner:

Parents' School Council 2020-2021, 7:00PM Our meetings will be virtual meetings until further notice. A link will be sent the week before the meeting.

Please mark your calendar.

November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020

-"Ways to Pay". All you need to know about scholarships and bursaries.

- January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- TBD
- February 16<sup>th</sup> 2021
- TBD
- April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- TBD
- May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021
- TBD

We'll provide next year's topics as soon as they are available.

From: Geneviève Seabrook Chair of Parents' Council

#### Thornlea Secondary School 2020 – 2021

	Schedule			
8:50 - 11:20	In Person - <b>Block 1</b> (Alternate between face-to-face and online daily)	150		
11:20 - 12:50	Travel Home / Lunch or Lunch / Study Hall	90		
12:50 - 1:40	Synchronous Online - Block 2	50		
1:40 - 2:30	Synchronous Online - Block 3	50		
2:30 - 3:20	Synchronous Online - Block 4	50		

	Course Rotation for 4 Period School								
Rotation	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Dates	Sept 14- Sept 25	Sept 28- Oct 9	Oct 13- Oct 26	Oct 27- Nov 9	Nov 10- Nov 26	Nov 27- Dec 14	Dec 15- Jan 13	Jan 14- Jan 29	
F2F	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	
Block 2	2	1	4	3	2	1	4	3	
Block 3	3	3	1	1	3	3	1	1	
Block 4	4	4	2	2	4	4	2	2	



# Thornlea Secondary School COHORT CALENDAR 2020

	September						
SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA	
		1	2	3	4	5	
6	7	8	9	10A	11B	12	
13	14A	15B	16A	17B	18A	19	
20	21B	22A	23B	24A	25B	26	
27	28A	29B	30A				

	October						
SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA	
				1B	2A	3	
4	5B	6A	7B	<b>8</b> A	9B	10	
11	Η	13A	14B	15A	16B	17	
18	19A	20B	21A	22B	23A	24	
25	26B	27A	28B	29A	30B	31	

	November						
SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA	
1	2A	3B	4A	5B	6A	7	
8	9B	10A	11B	12A	PA	14	
15	16B	17A	18B	19A	20B	21	
22	23A	24B	25A	26B	27A	28	
29	30B						

	December						
SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA	
		1A	2B	3A	<b>4</b> B	5	
6	7A	8B	9A	10B	11A	12	
13	14B	15A	16B	17A	18B	Η	
Н	Η	Η	Η	Η	Η	Η	
Н	Η	Η	Η	Η			

	January					
SU	MO	TU	WE	TH	FR	SA
					Η	Η
Н	4A	5B	6A	7B	<b>8</b> A	9
10	11B	12A	13B	14A	15B	16
17	18A	19B	20A	21B	22A	23
24	25B	26A	27B	28A	29B	30
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A=Cohort A	H=Holiday (no school)
B=Cohort B	PA=PA Day (no school)



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