

October 2022

Thorncliffe Park P.S. News





Message from Administration

It is hard to believe that we have finished our first month of school at Thorncliffe Park.

Due to increasing enrollment, we were given more staff to support our students. We added:

- Two grade 1 classes
- A grade 1/2 and 2/3 class
- Two grade 4 classes
- A grade 5 class

As our grade 3/4 and 4/5 classes were closed, those students were added to our new grade 2/3 and 4 classes. We also received more staff to support our ESL classes and our subject classes. On the next pages are our updated staff lists, with new staff in blue.

We appreciate all of the hard work of our teaching staff, office and caretaking team to help us set up our new classes. We also appreciate our families patience as students settle into new classes.

Thank you for your ongoing support.
Ms. Harvey Kerr, Mr. Fabbri and Ms. Rogers





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Here is the team of educators that will be supporting your child(ren):

Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Grade 5
Ms. Biback Ms. Chen Ms. Coutinho Ms. Gallos Ms. Grenville Ms. McLeish Ms. Nadeem Ms. Paton Ms. Pulver Ms. Verma Ms. Syeda Ms. McGregor Ms. Brockie (1/2) Ms. Floros (1/2) Ms. Halioua (1/2)	Ms. Andani Ms. Ball Ms. Foxton Ms. Gircys Ms. Humphries Ms. Macnamara Mr. Mitchell Ms. Page Ms. Reese Ms. Sati Ms. Brockie (1/2) Ms. Floros (1/2) Ms. Halioua (1/2) Ms. Girardin (2/3) Ms. Lulat (2/3) Mr. Tonnos (2/3)	Ms. Chaudhary Ms. Fietta Mr. Jenkinson Ms. Papaioannou Ms. Rallis Ms. Salerno Ms. Scheifele Ms. Selkirk Ms. Trusca Ms. Yonemitsu Ms. Girardin (2/3) Ms. Lulat (2/3) Mr. Tonnos (2/3)	Ms. Beretta Ms. Cohan Mr. Kapodistrias Ms. Fioto Ms. Nicholls Ms. O'Shea Ms. Tomcko Ms. Yee Mr. Darawal Ms. Cesta	Ms. Anfer Ms. Beattie Ms. Donatelli Ms. Harpur Ms. Hopkins Mr. Ngo Ms. JM Spencer Ms. Kan-Hai





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Here is the team of educators that will be supporting your child(ren):

Special Education	ESL	Subject Teachers	Office Team	Custodians & Support Staff
SERT Ms. Brown Ms. Goraya Ms. S. Karavidas Ms. Magno Ms. Ricci ISP Class Ms. Harigovind Ms. Hashemi Ms. P. Karavidas Ms. Peters Ms. Shah	Ms. Chu Ms. Dewji Ms. Gillespie Ms. Hernadez Ms. S. Karavidas Ms. Kwong Ms. Syed Ms. Khalfan Ms. Abowath	Ms. Ahmad Ms. Bodrug Mr. Dodds Ms. Fernandes Mr. Hutchison Mr. Lobo Mr. Mouratidis Mr. Pryor Ms. Spencer Ms. Williams Ms. MacGillivray	Ms. Dinadis Ms. Giannopoulos Ms. Patrascu Ms. Shiraz Mr. Fabbri Ms. Harvey Kerr Ms. Rogers	Custodians Mr. Jogiat Mr. MacDonald Larisa Siutra Andrea Support Staff Ms. Anderson Ms. Bethanis Ms. Evans Ms. Little Ms. Papadopoulos Ms. Ruwanpura Ms. Tejpar Ms. Westney



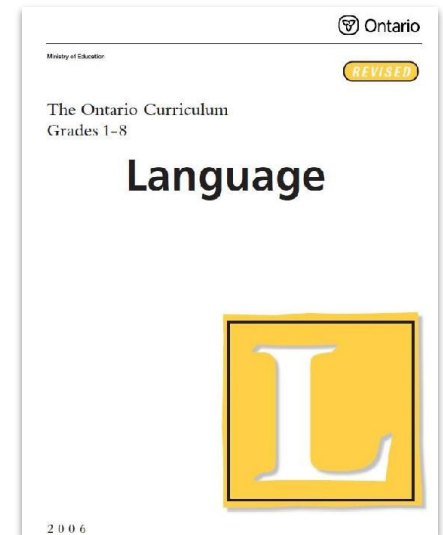
Meet your child's Teacher

In the upcoming weeks, we will welcome our families into the school to meet their child's teacher and hear about the grade curriculum.

Here are the dates and times for each grade visit. Families are asked to come to the front entrance to begin their visit in Gym A with our principal and vice principals.

- Grade 1 - Thursday October 20 3:45 pm to 4:30 pm
- Grade 2 - Wednesday October 19 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm
- Grade 3 - Wednesday October 26 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm
- Grade 4 - Tuesday October 18 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm
- Grade 5 - Thursday October 20 2:30 to 3:15 pm

Room 108, 132, 133, 164 and our virtual special education class will receive information from their teachers about their classes.



Keeping our Students Safe

Thornccliffe Park is a very busy school during drop off and pick up each day.

We want all of our students and families to be safe. You will notice different areas of the school grounds closed during those times.

- The bus loop will only be available to TDSB buses from 3:00 - 3:30 pm
- The parking lot will be closed between 3:00 - 3:30 pm
- The path by door 12 will be closed from 3:20 - 3:35 pm

If you are driving, parking is available at the shopping mall next to the school. We thank our families for remaining behind the painted lines on the back pavement during pick up and drop off. Thank you for working together to keep all of our students safe.



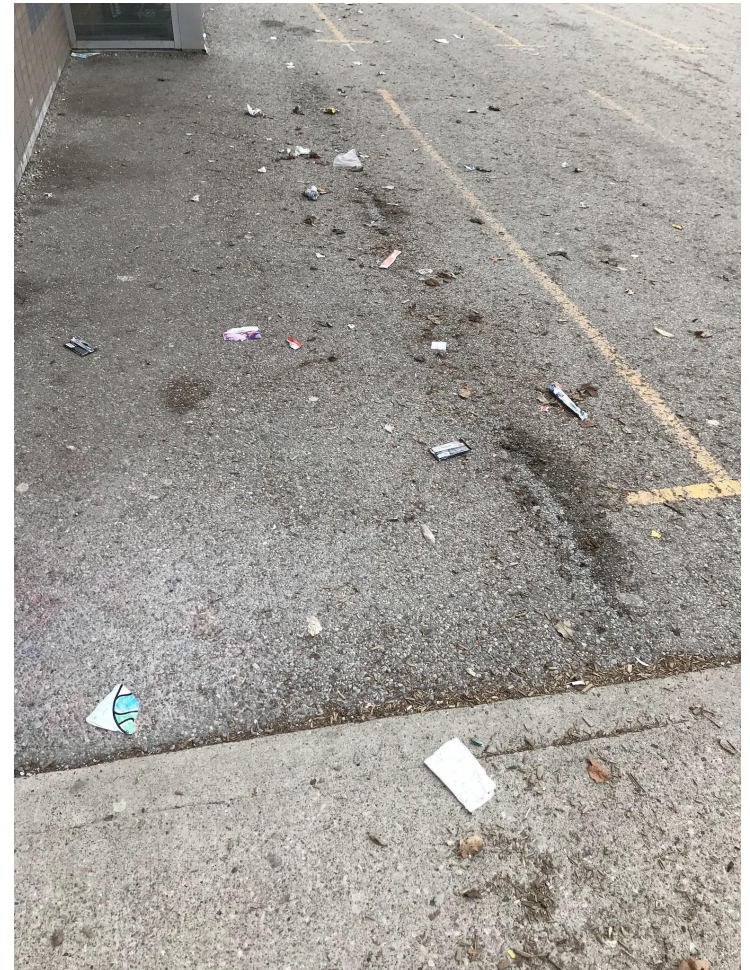
We Need Your Help

Our school yard is a very busy place in the evenings and on weekends. In the mornings before school, we notice a lot of garbage in the yard. Some of these items are dangerous like glass bottles or metal cans.

Our caretaking team works hard each morning to pick up garbage before school begins.

We ask our families to help keep our yard clean by placing all garbage in garbage cans.

Let's keep our school clean and safe!



Extracurriculars are Back

We are happy to share that many of our clubs and sports are back at Thorncliffe Park.

Currently, students are participating in:

- Soccer for Grade 4 and 5
- Morning Running club for all grades
- Grade 5 Student Announcers
- Green Team

Coming soon are:

- Basketball for Grade 4 and 5
- Eco Club
- Our Terry Fox Run



Belonging and Student Identity

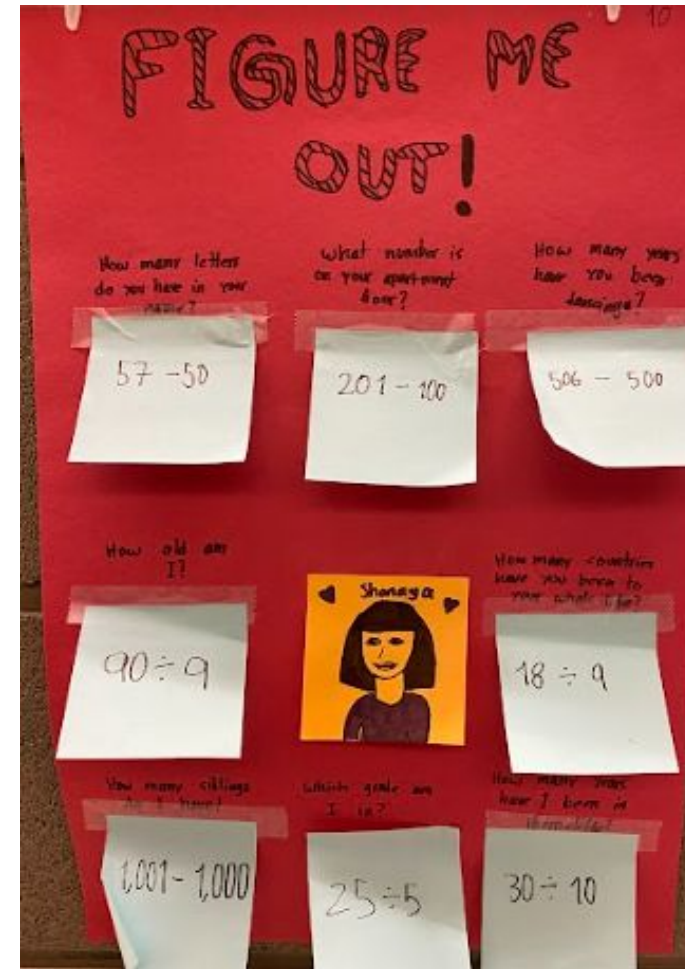
As our classes build community at the beginning of the year, a big focus in all grades is on valuing student identity and creating belonging. Take a look at the different ways students have been showing their learning.

To see more examples, see our video montage

<https://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/thorncliffepark/News-and-Events>



Belonging and Student Identity



October is Responsibility

At Thorncliffe Park we work on learning activities designed to develop good character and help children make good choices. Our focus this month is on **RESPONSIBILITY**.

Your child can show responsibility by:

- taking care of himself or herself and others in the family
- getting up on time and getting ready for school
- completing homework and keeping his or her school work organized
- helping with household chores without being asked

Projects to do together:

- Help your child with organizing his or her school notebooks and agenda.
- Plan family activities, and involve your child in the planning process.
- Set clear expectations for your child, and hold him or her accountable for his or her actions (for example, setting bedtimes and wake-up times, arriving to school on time).
- Teach your child to be environmentally responsible (e.g., picking up own litter, respecting property in the community).

At the end of the month, we will celebrate the learning of our students at our Character Assemblies..
Thank you for supporting our Character Development program.



BUILD CHARACTER
BUILD SUCCESS

Heritage Months

In October, we recognize Islamic Heritage Month and Somali Heritage Month.



Parents and Caregivers as Partners

The Parents and Caregivers as Partners Conference is on October 22 and 23, 2022. Parents, guardians and caregivers are invited to participate in a weekend of learning and learn strategies to support your child throughout the year.

Transportation from hub sites is available to all venues and leaves a designated departure location at 8 a.m. and returns at 10:30 a.m. More information will be provided in the registration.

The virtual conference includes a keynote address on Sunday, October 23 by Randell Adjei, Ontario's Poet Laureate, as well as a number of workshops in a range of areas including mental health and well-being, special education, anti-racism and more.

Registration opens soon. Visit www.parentsaspartners.ca for more information.

Final Information

Our TDSB Trustee is Rachel Chernos Lin.

Each month Trustee Chernos Lin shares a newsletter and other opportunities with our families.

To read this month's newsletter, go to the link below:

<https://www.tdsb.on.ca/ward11/>

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