

J. ADDISON PRESS

Monthly Newsletter of J. Addison School



J. ADDISON SCHOOL IMPORTANT DATES

Exam Day
Oct 7/2021

PA Day
(JASX + Elementary Students)
Oct 8/2021

Exam Review - 9AM - 10AM
PA Day - 10AM - 3PM
(High School Students)
Oct 8/2021

Thanksgiving Day - School closed
Oct 11/2021

Virtual University Info Session #2
5PM - 7PM
Oct 26/2021

HIGHLIGHTS & PHOTOS



DAY SCHOOL

Hello JAS Family! Welcome new and returning staff and students! We hope everyone had a great summer. The first month of school flew by and we're excited to see staff and students back in the classroom learning.

At J. Addison, the health and safety of our students and staff are our number one priority. We have all been experiencing a new way of life with COVID-19. Now, that some parts of our lives are making their way back to a new "normal" we want you to be prepared for some of the changes you will experience when your children returns to school. To make sure this illness does not continue to spread, we intend to take all reasonable precautions, as prescribed by the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Health such as:

With support from the Ministry of Health and York Region Public Health, our mandatory vaccination policy will be as follows:

- Vaccination will be mandatory for all persons ages 12+ (students, faculty, staff, and visitors) who intend to be onsite at J. Addison School as of **September 7th** (first dose) and **October 15th** (complete vaccination), 2021.
- Any individual who cannot be vaccinated based on medical or other grounds recognized by the Ontario Human Rights Code can request an accommodation. Those who remain unvaccinated and who must be onsite will have to follow additional strict health protocols such as frequent testing, wearing medical grade masks and other PPE, if necessary, as well as other possible measures to be announced later. If deemed unsafe or high-risk, participation in various school programs may also be restricted.



BOARDING SCHOOL

The boarding team worked extremely hard onboarding new and returning dorm students this year. In accordance with COVID-19 policies at the school, students have safely and successfully moved in to their assigned rooms. Have a great school year dorm students!



Hiking & Unionville City Tour Activity - Stephany T. (Grade 11)

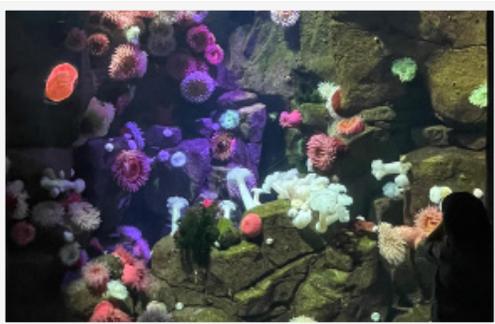
It was on Friday September 3rd, 2021, the dorm students and I went to Unionville for a hike. The weather was amazing as we walked through the woods and discovered so many beautiful flowers. As we continued to walk, I saw that there were ducks in the pond and people enjoying a lovely picnic. After we finished our hike, we visited an ice-cream and smoothie shop in Unionville, where my friends and I enjoyed some delicious smoothies. Furthermore, we continued to take a stroll down Unionville, where we visited a train station and took some photos. Finally, we returned to the dorm and had dinner.



Dorm Leadership and Teambuilding Activity - Niko A. (Grade 12)

“Leadership and “Team-Building” are two words that shaped our very first dorm orientation experience with new and returning dorm students on a sunny Wednesday of September 8th, 2021. As I reflect on my personal growth, I never knew the value of teamwork or how different leaders favour various goals. Ironically, the games that we played such as balloon pop relay and minefield taught me the power of bonding with your teammates and how every opinion matters. Likewise, no matter how small or ordinary it may seem. Finally, I am so thankful to the dorm staff of J. Addison School for their outstanding activity planning with meaningful life lessons behind them.





Markville Mall Shopping Trip Activity - Caihao J. (Grade 12)

On Sunday September 12th, 2021, the dorm counsellor took myself and other dorm students to Markville Mall for shopping. The dorm students and I were very happy when we heard the news that we would go shopping to Markville Mall. When we arrived, we were separated into different groups based on our shopping interests. In addition, the dorm counsellor instructed that we had only 3 hours to go shopping. When we entered the shopping mall, I saw that many people were wearing masks. Equally important, my friends and I went to various shops and bought a lot of clothes/necessities. From my personal opinion, I've realized that even if you don't spend a lot of money, you may feel extremely happy to purchase something that you like. As the time passed so quickly, my friends and I realized that it was time for us to return back to school with a wide range of things.



Ripley's Aquarium Activity - Rafiat A. (Grade 12)

On Saturday September 18th, 2021, the dorm students and I went to downtown Toronto, which was my first time going there and it was fun. While we were there, we visited the Ripley' Aquarium, which was also my first time going there and it was extremely fun. When the dorm students and I entered the Aquarium, I was amazed at the interior design and the various aquatic creatures such as jellyfishes, sharks, turtles and other adorable creatures. From my perspective, there ambience at the Ripley's Aquarium was quite unique and I will definitely like to revisit one day with my family.



Terry Fox Run/Walkathon - Ava A. (Grade 12)

On Sunday September 19th, 2021, the dorm department arranged an early morning activity where the dorm students and I had to take part in either walking or running around the school community. One aspect of this activity, required the dorm students and I to wake up early in the morning. Another aspect that should be highlighted about this activity was the fact that it was dedicated to people who are dealing with cancer. The name of this activity is called the Terry Fox Run/Walkathon. Once this activity ended, the dorm team invited the dorm students and I to play a soccer game on a really big field. Moreover, the weather was so good and sunny too! In conclusion, we were all so happy to be a part of this activity and I really appreciated the energy booster during this weekend activity!



ATHLETICS



September was the start of a new basketball season for both the Elite Girls' and Boys' Basketball Programs. The Girls participated in the SLAM Camp Girls Fall Showdown 2021, with many teams showing up from across the country. The team fought hard with a limited amount of players available to play. The Boys' participated in the United Scholastic Octoberfest Senior Division Basketball Tournament. The team went on a successful run, ending up as finalists in the tournament. The team played hard against top talent. Good luck to both teams for the new season.



Special congratulations is extended to Stephen Okoro, for being awarded the All-Star at the United Scholastic Octoberfest Senior Division Basketball Tournament. Great work!



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STUDENT OF THE MONTH

RESIDENCE LIFE STUDENT OF THE MONTH



ALFRED W.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT OF THE MONTH



VENUS W.

This month the Character Education Virtue is: **COURAGE**

Those who have the virtue of COURAGE have the following traits:

- I will stand up for what I know is right and just.
- I will face challenges, fears and difficulties with fortitude.
- I will take responsibility for reaching my potential.

it all comes together in the fifth... that's the Addison Advantage™



JASX Early Learning
Ages 3.8 to 6 years of age



Elementary School
Grades 1 to 8



Secondary School
Grades 9 to 12



Boarding Program
Grades 7 to 12

