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Monthly Newsletter of J. Addison School



IMPORTANT DATES FOR FEBRUARY

High School Exams
Jan 31-Feb 1/2024

PA Day
Feb 2/2024

**Term 3 Begins
(High school)**
Feb 5/2024

**Report Cards
(Elementary school)**
Feb 16/2024

Family Day
Feb 19/2024

JANUARY 2024 HIGHLIGHTS & PHOTOS



DAY SCHOOL

Hello, JAS Family! The holidays have officially ended and another new year has begun. This winter season has been unusually warm, but the weather certainly turned chilly in the last half of the month and luckily for many of our international students, they still got the chance to experience a bit of snow.

Our dorm students started off the new year with trips to Montreal, Quebec and Niagara Falls and got the chance to go skiing. Basketball season is also busier than ever for both our boys and girls teams while our dorm students spent most of their holiday outside of the school for fun activities.

It is also the time to say goodbye to our Class of 2024 winter graduates as they complete their final exams right at the beginning of February and take another step into their futures. Our Grade 12 students took a trip to Wilfrid Laurier University on January 24th to catch a glimpse of what their futures might be like.



BOARDING SCHOOL

Dorm Secret Santa Gift Exchange-“Tis the season of joy!”

By Sara A. (Grade 12) (Canada)

Tis the season of joy and giving, and our school radiated warmth and festive cheer through a heartwarming Secret Santa gift exchange. Excitement buzzed in the air as students eagerly anticipated the revelation of their secret gift-giver. Each participant selected mystery recipients, purchasing thoughtful presents ranging from personalized items to festive ones. Equally important, the exchange culminated in a heartwarming gathering, of shared joy and laughter. Hot chocolate and brownies were given to foster the atmosphere of holiday delight. Laughter echoed through the halls as students unwrapped their surprises while creating lasting memories. Personally, I must extend my heartfelt gratitude to the school administration and dorm department for setting up this event. Additionally, their effort of togetherness and holiday spirit has left a mark on our school community as we are reminded that the season of giving extends beyond physical gifts – it’s the gift of shared laughter, warmth, and the bonds that tie us together. I would like to wish everyone a “Merry Christmas” and “Happy New Year.”



Ski & Snow Tubing Activity

By Andrea V. (Grade 11) (Vietnam)



As a boarding student staying in the dorm during the Christmas/ Winter break, I had the opportunity to engage in a wide variety of fun activities such as skiing and snow tubing on Thursday January 4th, 2024 at Lakeridge Ski Resort. Personally, I was so excited to take part in these winter activities. When I was skiing, I felt the fresh mountain air inducing relaxation as well as the rhythmic sounds of my skis gliding on the snow hills. Moreover, the excitement of descending down the snow hills while maneuvering through layers of snow and conquering challenging paths was invigorating and satisfying. Additionally, my snow tubing experience led me to plunge into joyful chaos while sliding down the snow hill. Apart from this, my friends and I were laughing as we felt the cool breeze against our faces. Indeed, both winter activities created a perfect scene for an unforgettable memory that I will forever cherish and I would like to thank the dorm administration for providing such a perfect trip for my fellow dorm peers and I.





3-Day Overnight Trip: Niagara Falls, Ontario-“Splash of Excitement!”

By Armin J. (Grade 12) (Iran)

What a thrilling adventure at Niagara Falls during our overnight trip from Wednesday December 27th, 2023-Friday December 29th, 2023! I had a wonderful time visiting the “Fallsview Indoor Water Park” with my dorm peers as there was a splash of excitement as we went down the pool slides. I really enjoyed this attraction because the amusement park took my friends and I on rides of laughter and fun. This experience allowed us to create unforgettable memories! Undoubtedly, I can describe my experience visiting Niagara Falls as one with a breathtaking masterpiece of nature. Having the opportunity to visit the “Falls”, allowed me to experience the “mist” on my face as well as the roar of the falls left my dorm friends and I in awe. In conclusion, the entire trip experience was filled with laughter, joy and greater friendships. It should be noted that this trip was a cascade of happiness for me and I can’t wait for the next chapter of dorm social events/activities where I continue to bond with my dorm peers.

Dorm Newsletter 5: Dragon Legend Buffet Restaurant-“Happy Stomachs-Great Memories!”

By Ali N. (Grade 12) (Iran)

Over the Christmas/Winter break, the dorm department hosted a trip to “Dragon Legend” buffet restaurant on Monday December 25th, 2023, where we could eat as much as we wanted. Based on my experience at Dragon Legend, there were a lot of Asian-inspired cuisines that had an arrange of diverse flavours such as “sweet n sour chicken” and “tasty dumplings”. Also, there was a small portion of fast food options such as fries, pizzas and burgers. In truth, my dormmates and I filled our plates with a lot of food and had a great time laughing and enjoying a great meal. Honestly, I must note that it was my first time trying Asian-inspired food and I must express that I had an awesome experience expanding my taste pallet. In summary, the trip experience was cool and it left myself as well as my dormmates with happy stomachs and good memories. Additionally, I would like to thank J. Addison School’s dorm department for providing an awesome food tasting adventure at Dragon Legend Buffet Restaurant.

ATHLETICS



It’s a brand new year and if you had the chance to see our players busy practicing in the gym, then you know why this season has been extraordinary for our teams. For our first game this year, on January 10th, our boys headed all the way down to Albuquerque for a special tournament. They won all 4 of their games! Both our teams played their first game at home on January 16th. The boys played against Ridley College and won the game with a final score of 90 to 58, while our girls won 83 to 45! On January 23rd, our boys played against Fort Erie, one of the best teams, and despite our best efforts to catch up, we were just one point short to a score of 68 to 69. However, it was an incredible and well fought game. Our girls had better luck and won their away game.

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STUDENT OF THE MONTH

RESIDENCE LIFE STUDENT OF THE MONTH



SARKIS C.

STUDENTS OF THE MONTH



JERRY L.



LUVIA C.

This month the Character Education Virtue is: UNITY

January's virtue is UNITY with the following traits:

- I will make everyone feel welcome and included
- I will use my words to help rather than harm

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

