

J. ADDISON PRESS

Monthly Newsletter of J. Addison School



IMPORTANT DATES FOR OCTOBER

**Thanksgiving (School Closed)
October 10/2022**

**Focus For Success (FFS) Starts
October 11/2022**

**Our Kids Private School Expo
October 22/2022**

**Halloween
October 31/2022**

SEPTEMBER 2022 HIGHLIGHTS & PHOTOS



DAY SCHOOL

Hello, JAS Family! It's a brand new school year here at J. Addison School and we would like to extend our warmest welcome to new and returning staff and students. The year of 2022 has been extra special considering that it is J. Addison School's 20th anniversary. After a tough two years, we are excited to once again have all of our students back in the classroom learning and we look forward to an incredible 2022-2023 school year.



The month of September may have just begun but it was already jam packed with exciting events including the annual Oasis Zoo Run and Terry Fox Run. Additionally, despite an unusually cool day, our dorm students had a fun time at the YLCC Leadership and Teambuilding Retreat in Orillia, Ontario. Additionally, basketball season is already underway and our men's basketball team is off to an incredible start.



At J. Addison, we continue to be committed to making health and safety our number one priority. With support from the Ministry of Health and York Region Public Health, Vaccination Day will take place on November 28, 2022.

Oasis Zoo Run (September 17)

Toronto Zoo/Oasis-Canada Running Series Volunteer Activity
By Sara A. (Grade 11) (Nigeria/Canada)

I am extremely proud of my fellow day and boarding students of J. Addison School, who participated in the annual Oasis-Canada Running Series Walk/Run on Saturday September 17th, 2022 at the Toronto Zoo. The students of J. Addison School displayed a high degree of responsibility and leadership skills during the event. They sacrificed their time to help the community and were proud representatives of our school. Furthermore, the students helped with setting up the event and with so much enthusiasm, cheered for the runners as they made it across the finish line. Not only did our students enjoy themselves by exploring the zoo after the event, but the event also garnered a total of \$67,000 in charitable donations!



Terry Fox Run (September 18)

Terry Fox-Markham Unionville Run/Volunteer Activity
By Howell W. (Grade 12) (China)

On Sunday September 18th, 2022, I had the opportunity to participate in the Terry Fox Markham-Unionville Run. I really enjoyed this event because I was able to meet various individuals who overcame cancer in their lives as well as hear their stories of how the Terry Fox Run is so important in finding a cure for Cancer through fundraising initiatives. Indeed, one of the stories that were truly remarkable to me as I listened was when one of the cancer survivors at the event discussed about how she received a black rock from another cancer survivor with the words "don't give up" written on it. In my humble opinion, I felt extremely emotional while listening to her story about her ability to stay strong during one of the most difficult times in her life. However, I was extremely happy that she was able to stay strong and realize that the power within ourselves can be greater than we thought and we just have to remind ourselves to not give up. Personally, my experience at the Terry Fox Markham Unionville Run became a life-lesson for me and I am grateful for the opportunity to attend such a wonderful event.



BOARDING SCHOOL

Dorm Orientation-Leadership Team Building Activity By Arshia S. (Grade 11) (Iran)

On Wednesday September 7th, 2022, J. Addison School hosted their annual school and dorm orientation day for new and returning students. In my personal opinion, I felt that the day was well organized by school administration. During the dorm orientation segment, there was a fun teambuilding competition where all new and returning dorm students were divided into six groups in the school gym. One of the key aspects about this competition is that it allowed the opportunity for everyone to communicate with each other. Also, I felt that there was a sense of happiness amongst the dorm students as we played various teambuilding games. In conclusion, I would like to thank the school and dorm administration for making it a great day for us!



YLCC Leadership Retreat Activity By Felix Zeyu S. (Grade 12) (China)

On Saturday, September 24th, 2022, the dorm staff planned a trip for all dorm students to visit a leadership camp outside of the city of Markham. I must state that this trip created fabulous moments with our friends and school staff. At the camp, we had a lot of fun and at the same time we were able to enjoy the stunning landscapes of the forests as well as the lake. Also, one of the best moments that I could remember vividly about this trip was being able to go rock climbing in one of the deepest parts of the forest and learning to not give up! In addition to this, I would like to highlight that I appreciated the support of my dorm peers as they cheered when I was rock climbing. I realized that in order to achieve any goal in life, you may need the support of others to help you push through. Apart from this, I also learned the importance of teamwork. For example, when my dorm peers and I were canoeing, we all had to work together to safely paddle on the lake. Moreover, we also had to work together when solving large scale puzzles in the forest cabin as well as assisting each other who had difficulty with archery. In my opinion, my experience at YLCC Leadership Retreat Camp was amazing and it was truly impressive to see the hard work from school staff who made the day memorable and enjoyable for us!



ATHLETICS



The school year may have just begun but this year's basketball season is well underway. While our women's basketball team has been busy practicing for their first games in October, our men's basketball team has already faced their first competitors. Winning their first two games in a row, our men's basketball team is off to a remarkable start. Our boys pulled off an incredible win in their first game against the New Horizon Academy with a final score of 75-69. Their second game against Hodan Prep was just as epic and suspenseful. Our team pulled through and we were victorious with a final score of 98-93. This win gives our boys a strong advantage as they will be playing in Tier 1, the highest level, this season. Congratulations to our men's basketball team and we look forward to seeing our women's basketball team playing next month.



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

September's virtue is COURAGE with the following traits:

- I will confront tough problems even when it is difficult
- I will do what needs to be done based on what's best for everyone
- I will be my best and bravest self

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

