

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

# J. ADDISON CONNECT



## IMPORTANT DATES FOR OCTOBER

**University Fair**  
October 1/2024

**Focus For Success FFS Starts**  
October 2/2024

**Thanksgiving (School Closed)**  
October 14/2024

**Halloween**  
October 31/2024

## Starting the School Year

**Orientation Day and First Day of Class** Sept 4, Sept 5

Hello, JAS Family! We hope you all had a pleasant and relaxing summer. This year's vacation was indeed a wonderful summer, but the weather has started to cool down, signaling the beginning of a new school year. The 2024-2025 school year has successfully begun, and we warmly welcome our new students.

For our returning students, we hope you have another great year at JAS, creating many beautiful memories with both new and old friends. For our new students, we hope you have a wonderful experience and make many new friends. We hope that our School makes you feel at home.

On the first day at J. Addison School, students felt both excited and nervous. As they walked through the gates, many new classmates were seen chatting and getting to know each other.

The teachers were very friendly and warmly welcomed everyone. Students participated in a campus tour, visiting classrooms and the dorm, discovering that the school facilities are very modern. During recess, students played games with new friends, and everyone was having a great time. Although everything was new, the atmosphere felt warm, and it was clear that students would have a wonderful time here.



## Terry Fox

High school students at J. Addison School took part in the Terry Fox Run, demonstrating their commitment to both physical fitness and community service.

The students gathered together to honor Terry Fox's legacy while raising funds for cancer research. The atmosphere was filled with enthusiasm as they jogged and walked the designated route, encouraging one another along the way.

This event not only provided an opportunity for the students to stay active but also reinforced the importance of teamwork and compassion. Through their participation, they embraced the values of perseverance and philanthropy, making a positive impact on their community and inspiring future generations.



### High School Terry Fox



### Elementary School Terry Fox

The elementary students at J. Addison School proudly participated in the Terry Fox Run. The young students joined their peers in a spirited run around the school ground.

This annual event not only encouraged physical activity but also fostered a sense of community and teamwork, as students cheered each other on and celebrated their collective efforts to make a difference. Through their participation, they learned the importance of giving back and supporting those in need, making the day a memorable experience for all.



### Terry Fox Markham Unionville Walk/Run

by Sarkis C. | Grade 11 (Hong Kong)

My school-mates and I participated in the "Terry Fox Markham-Unionville Run" on Sunday September 15th, 2024. Prior, I learnt about "Terry Fox" at school and how he was a Canadian athlete, humanitarian and cancer research activist. In addition, the goal of the Terry Fox Run in Canada is to raise money for cancer research. With this in mind, I had the opportunity to participate in this run for the very first time in raising awareness for Cancer Research.

Upon arrival at the event location, I noticed that the atmosphere felt great as a brass band was playing music, kids were playing, patrons were chatting and warming-up for the run. Equally important, my peers and I wore an official Terry Fox shirt in honour of him as well as the run. One of the most fascinating aspects of the run, was when I witnessed an individual cosplaying as a vintage historian to encourage every runner. According to this individual, he reminded all participants who we were running for and why this run was so important for future cancer research. Subsequently, he announced the start of the run and then one by one, my friends and I were running. Henceforth, there were two routes that we were able to do, which had a beautiful view of a pond and an enchanted forest vibe.

The feeling of crossing the finish line was indescribable. In conclusion, my overall experience of being a part of the "Terry Fox Markham-Unionville Run" was quite meaningful as I felt that I was running in hope of finding a cure for cancer. I had one of the greatest experiences participating in this run and I look forward to joining next year.

## YRAA (Fall Sports)

J Addison School believes in a holistic education, where sports in high school play a crucial role in the overall development of future leaders. These are all reasons why we celebrate the recent launch of our Volleyball and Soccer teams at J Addison School.

We would like to extend our congratulations to our dedicated students for their passion, effort and commitment to every practice and game. Over the past month, they have shown discipline and dedication during training sessions. We also want to recognize our caring staff and team of coaches who have done an extraordinary work in guiding and supporting our athletes.

As we emphasize, sports in high school are an integral part of student development at J Addison, preparing them for future life challenges.



**Boys Soccer and Volleyball teams**



## Water Play

On September 24, J. Addison School's elementary students had a blast during their water play day, filled with laughter and excitement.

They enjoyed throwing water balloons, and water games, making unforgettable memories with classmates. Under the bright sun, students celebrated summer while fostering teamwork and friendship.



## Staff/ Students Volleyball Game

The annual J. Addison School Staff vs. Students volleyball game was a lively event filled with excitement and camaraderie. The gym buzzed with energy as students cheered for their favorite teachers, who brought their competitive spirit and a few surprising skills to the court. The students, eager to showcase their talent, played with enthusiasm and teamwork, while the staff, with their witty banter and playful strategies, kept the atmosphere light-hearted and fun. The match was a thrilling back-and-forth, with incredible rallies and impressive serves, culminating in a nail-biting finish that had everyone on the edge of their seats. Ultimately, the event fostered a sense of community, uniting students and staff in friendly competition and lasting memories.

# Fun Times





# Students of the Month



Character Education Virtue: **COURAGE**

September's virtue is **COURAGE** with 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.

We encourage all members of J. Addison community to nominate and individual or group of individuals who exemplify the virtue of the month.

October Virtue of the Month - FAIRNESS



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**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

