

BIMONTHLY NEWSLETTER

J. ADDISON CONNECT



IMPORTANT DATES FOR July & August

- July 1 - Canada Day (school is closed)
- July 6 - Start of Summer Credit Courses & Summer Camp
- August 3 - Civic Day (school is closed)

Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony

June 2, 2026

The ceremony was a joyful occasion that brought together students, families, faculty, and staff to celebrate a significant academic milestone. A memorable moment of the ceremony was the inspiring speech delivered by Valedictorian Mackenzie M., who shared reflections on the experiences and friendships that made the Grade 8 journey so meaningful. The graduation marks the beginning of an exciting new chapter. We look forward to welcoming our graduates back this September as high school students. As always, our entire J. Addison School community will be here to support them as they continue to learn, grow, and succeed.



Day School

Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony

May 29, 2026

J. Addison School proudly celebrated the accomplishments of the Grade 12 at a distinguished graduation ceremony held at Monte Carlo Banquet Hall. Centered around the theme "Beyond the Canvas, Your Stories Begin," the event honored the perseverance, growth, and achievements of our graduates as they reached this important milestone.

Joined by families, guardians, teachers, faculty, and friends, graduates enjoyed an afternoon filled with pride and celebration. We were delighted to welcome Ward 6 Councillor Ms. Amanda Yeung Collucci as a special guest for the occasion. From the elegant venue décor to the heartfelt speeches, emotional graduation video, and inspiring student performance, every element contributed to a truly memorable celebration.

Graduation marks not only the completion of one chapter but also the beginning of another. As the Class of 2026 takes its next steps toward higher education and future careers, we congratulate each graduate and wish them every success as they pursue their dreams and ambitions.



Grade 12 Graduation Ceremony



Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony



Sporting Life 10K Volunteer Activity
Anthony Y. (Grade 11 - Peru)

May 10, 2026

On Sunday May 10th, 2026, I volunteered at the Sporting Life 10K Run, which was a meaningful experience for me. I enjoyed working with my friends during this activity as we helped others cross the street during a marathon. It was also incredible to see people cheering for the runners. I created memorable moments with my friends and learned the importance of helping the community. I am grateful for this opportunity and look forward to joining similar activities again.



Cineplex Cinema Trip
Aneeqa S. K. (Grade 12 - Hong Kong, China)

May 12, 2026

As graduation approaches, students from the dorm went on one of their final school outings on Tuesday with a trip to Cineplex Cinemas. It was a welcome break from our usual routine and a meaningful chance to spend time together outside the classroom, making the day feel especially memorable.

Before the movie began, my friends and I spent some time in the arcade beside the theatre, playing games and enjoying each other's company. The lively atmosphere, filled with laughter and friendly competition, made the experience even more enjoyable and gave us a chance to relax and bond before the film.



We also bought snacks such as popcorn, drinks, and candy before heading into the theatre, which added to the excitement of the outing and made the experience feel complete.

We watched The Devil Wears Prada 2, which turned out to be an entertaining sequel. Although I really enjoyed it, I still feel the first movie was better overall.

Overall, it was a fun and memorable experience to share with friends before graduation, and it is something I will always look back on fondly as one of the special moments of our final school days together.

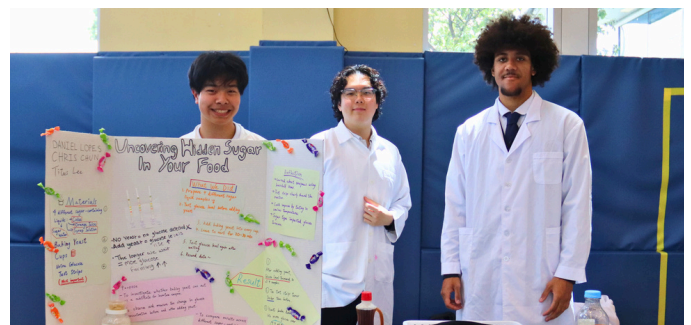


Grades 9-11 Annual Award Ceremony

June 2, 2026

Our school community came together to celebrate the accomplishments of our Grades 9-11 students during a memorable Awards Ceremony. The event recognized students who demonstrated outstanding achievement across academics, leadership, athletics, community involvement, and personal growth. Each award reflected the commitment, perseverance, and passion that our students bring to their educational journey. It was inspiring to see so many students recognized for their efforts and contributions to the school community.

Congratulations to all award recipients on their well-deserved achievements. We extend our sincere appreciation to our school administration, teachers, and staff for organizing this meaningful celebration, as well as to the families whose support continues to inspire student success.



Science Fair

May 20, 2026

Innovation took centre stage at Science Fair, where students enthusiastically shared their scientific discoveries and creative projects with the JAS community. The event welcomed parents, agents, and staff members, all of whom were impressed by the quality and originality of the student presentations. Throughout the fair, students demonstrated their ability to apply scientific concepts and communicate their findings with confidence. Their projects reflected not only academic knowledge but also imagination, perseverance, and a genuine passion for learning.

We are proud of the remarkable work showcased and look forward to seeing our students continue to push the boundaries of discovery and achievement.

**Canada's Wonderland Trip
Jackie H. (Grade 9 - Myanmar)**

May 15, 2026

The Canada's Wonderland trip on May 15 was exciting, fun, and memorable experience for J. Addison's students and teachers. The park was filled with energy and excitement. Students explored different games, laughed, took photos, and created unforgettable memories with their friends and teachers throughout the day. Some students enjoyed roller coasters such as Leviathan, while others preferred easy rides, games, and food. For me, my favorite game was Leviathan because it was very fast, tall, and smooth at the same time. School staff made sure that everyone stayed safe and followed the rules while the students enjoyed the fun. The trip gave students the chance to relax, build stronger friendships, and enjoy their time outside of classroom.



Overall, the Canada's Wonderland school trip was a fun and memorable experience for J. Addison students and teachers. It brought everyone closer together and allowed us to enjoy a day full of excitement, happiness, and joy. We are thankful for the opportunity to visit Canada's Wonderland and look forward to more enjoyable school trips in the future.



**WWF Climb For Nature Volunteer Activity
Zoe Y. (Grade 10 - China)**

May 2, 2026

On Saturday May 2, 2026 at 3:30 a.m., I volunteered at the WWF Climb for Nature event at the CN Tower. My role was to manage the flow of participants at the top, ensuring that climbers did not stay too long after completing the climb. This responsibility helped me develop communication and organization skills. Watching participants climb hundreds of stairs to reach the top was truly inspiring. Their determination and perseverance showed me the power of commitment and mental strength. It made me realize that meaningful change, including protecting our environment, requires both effort and endurance. This experience deepened my understanding of environmental responsibility and the importance of collective action.

Being part of an event that supports nature conservation motivated me to become more mindful of my daily choices and encouraged me to contribute more actively to sustainability initiatives in the future.



Elementary Beaver Computing Challenge

June 2026

Eight J. Addison School students from Grades 5 to 8 participated in the Beaver Computing Challenge, a prestigious competition organized by the University of Waterloo and the Centre for Education in Mathematics and Computing. With more than 30,000 students participating each year, the challenge introduces young learners to computer science concepts and develops their problem-solving, computational, and logical thinking skills.

We are especially proud to celebrate the achievements of our students, who demonstrated curiosity, perseverance, and strong analytical abilities while representing J. Addison School. Among our eight participants, Luchen Z. and Hunter H. earned Certificates of Distinction, placing them among the top 25% of competitors.

Their success reflects not only individual dedication but also the growing interest in technology, innovation, and critical thinking within our school community. Congratulations to all of our participants for embracing this exciting challenge and showcasing the skills that will help shape the problem-solvers and innovators of tomorrow.

Prom 2026: A Starry Night Celebration

June 5, 2026

On Friday, June 5, 2026, students gathered at the Monte Carlo Inn to celebrate the much-anticipated Student Council Prom 2026. Inspired by the theme “Starry Night,” the venue was transformed into an elegant and magical setting for an evening of celebration and connection. Throughout the night, students enjoyed spending time with friends, taking photos, dancing, and celebrating the achievements and experiences that made the school year so memorable. The event reflected the strong sense of community and school spirit that continues to thrive at J. Addison School.

A sincere thank-you goes to the Student Council 2025–2026, school administration, and support staff for their outstanding planning and commitment. Their collective efforts ensured a smooth and enjoyable event, making Prom 2026 a truly memorable occasion for all who attended.



OFSAA Track & Field Championships

May & June, 2026

J. Addison School student-athletes embraced the challenge of competitive track and field this spring, proudly representing the school through the York Region Athletic Association (YRAA). Competing in events ranging from sprints and hurdles to jumps, throws, and relays, our athletes demonstrated remarkable commitment and sportsmanship.

The season began with the South/ West YRAA Regional Qualifiers, where strong performances earned several athletes the opportunity to advance to the YRAA Finals. Their success reflected not only athletic ability but also the determination and discipline developed through consistent training and preparation.

A special congratulations goes to Angela S., Joyce P., and Abriel G., who qualified for the OFSAA Track & Field Championships in St. Catharines. Competing against the best high school athletes in Ontario, they achieved impressive results while representing J. Addison School with excellence and pride.

Although the track and field season is relatively short, the experiences gained are long-lasting. Our student-athletes balanced practices, competitions, academic studies, science fairs, graduation activities, and examinations with admirable dedication. We extend our sincere appreciation to our coaches, teachers, staff, parents, and families for their continued encouragement. Together, they helped make this season a rewarding and inspiring experience for all involved.



JAS Goes Green: Harnessing Sunshine for a Better Tomorrow

At J. Addison School, we are committed to fostering environmental responsibility and sustainability within our school community. Since the installation of our solar panel system in September 2025, we have made significant progress toward reducing our environmental footprint and promoting clean energy solutions. To date, the system has helped reduce approximately 75 tonnes of carbon dioxide emissions and save the equivalent of 30 tonnes of coal consumption. These environmental benefits are comparable to planting approximately 42 trees, demonstrating the positive impact renewable energy can have on our planet.

This achievement reflects our ongoing commitment to creating a more sustainable future for both our school community and the world beyond. Through initiatives such as our solar energy program, J. Addison School continues to encourage environmental awareness and responsible stewardship, inspiring students to become thoughtful global citizens.



Students of the Month (MAY)



Tina C.
Grade 7
Elementary School

Juliet F.
Grade 9
High School

Clara C.
Grade 12
Dorm

May's virtue is Responsibility with the following traits:

- I will honour my commitments to my family, school and community
- I will be reliable so people can depend on me
- I will be accountable for the things I say and do

Students of the Month (JUNE)



Luna L.
Grade 5
Elementary School

Rainfong A.
Grade 11
High School

Anthony Y. L.
Grade 11
Dorm

June's virtue is Honesty with the following traits:

- I will be sincere, trustworthy, and truthful even when it is difficult
- I will stand by what is right and just
- I will be considerate of others when I speak, write, and listen

Character Education Virtue:
RESPONSIBILITY

Character Education Virtue:
HONESTY

Fun Times



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