THE PIPER PRIDE

celebrating our pipers, connecting to our community

SEPT/OCT








Hello, Piper Families!

What a fantastic start to the school year it has been at John Taylor Collegiate! Our hallways, classrooms, and school community have been filled with energy, enthusiasm, and opportunities for students to connect, learn, and grow. It has been wonderful to see our Pipers settling into routines, building positive relationships, and making the most of their high school experience.

One of the highlights of our strong start has been seeing so many students getting involved beyond the classroom. From athletics and the arts to clubs and extracurricular activities, our Pipers are finding opportunities to explore their interests, develop new skills, and build meaningful connections. We have also seen incredible Piper Pride throughout our school, with students showing up to support our sports teams, celebrate arts events, and enthusiastically participate in Spirit Week. These moments help shape our school culture and remind us that a strong school community is built through connection, participation, and a shared sense of belonging.

Our team also continues to have an intentional focus to dive deep into more equitable grading practices and integrating indigenous perspectives across various curriculums. As we set expectations for a positive and successful year, we are committed to ensuring that every student is supported, challenged, and celebrated. At JT we believe that **showing up, being engaged and being a good person** are the foundational values that we expect from one another to make this such an amazing place to be.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we look forward to another great year together as Pipers!

Mr. Lister, Mrs. Cantafio & Mrs. Poiron

REMINDERS



In prioritizing student safety, and allowing access for our buses, please do not enter the staff parking lot *between 8am-9am.*

Please use the designated safe drop zones on Hamilton and Knox. We appreciate your partnership in keeping our students safe and our buses accessible.



Cell phones are only permitted before school, during lunch, and after school. If you need to contact your child for an urgent matter, please contact the office. Our team is prioritizing your child's learning that is free from distractions. Thank you for your support in your child's success.

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SEPT/OCT HIGHLIGHTS



Our grade 9 camp experience allows for students to connect, grow, and build a sense of belonging as they begin their high school journey together.







Grade 9 Camp @ Camp Manitou



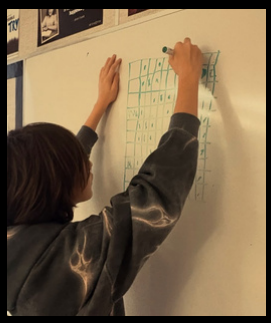
Honouring TRC Week





Some of our seniors geared up for their LAST, First Day!

PIPER LIFE AT ITS FINEST



























Athletics are in full swing here at JT! Whether our Pipers are on the court/field or cheering on the sidelines - the Piper Energy is strong at JT!



PIPER PRIDE STATE OF MIND

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IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER

November 4- WJHA- Robertson College Tour (Full afternoon commitment for interested WJHA students)
November 4 - Take Our Kids to Work Day (grade 9s)
November 4- CMU- 2 presentations: Gr 10s&12s- P2 Theatre/ Gr 11s- P3 Theatre
November 5- University Fair at Sturgeon Heights- 2PM-3PM
November 5- 7- Field Trip- Volleyball Brandon Spike Tournament
November 6- Safe Workers of Tomorrow Presentations Grade 10- P3 Theatre
November 7- Holiday Market 10- 3PM
November 8- Diwali
November 8- Indigenous Veterans' Day
November 10 - Remembrance Day Service @ 10am
November 10- Late Start 9AM
November 10- WJHA- Manitou
November 11- Remembrance Day- Schools Closed
November 13- Admin Day- No School
November 17- Late Start 9AM
November 17- Construction Technology Career Exploration Day- 9:30AM-11:30AM
November 17- Field Trip- ChoralFest- Vocal Jazz- 11AM-4PM
November 17- Early Dismissal 2:40PM
November 17- WJHA- Tutoring
November 18- PSC 11AM-12PM
November 19- Field Trip- Law Courts (AM)
November 20- Senior Years Reports
November 21-25- Field Trip- Hockey Boys & Girls to Ottawa
November 17- Field Trip- ChoralFest- Concert Choir- 12PM-5PM
November 23- Red River Polytech Presentation- P3 Theatre
November 24- Late Start 9AM
November 24- Field Trip- Royal MTC- 10AM-3PM
November 24- WJHA- P11 Moose
November 25- Field Trip- "Sunrise on the Reaping" EN10F Students- 8:30AM-12:30PM
November 26- Field Trip- Soccer Special Olympics 9:30am-2:15pm
November 27- Field Trip- Canadian Blood Servies 9AM-12ish
November 27- Engineering Outreach Day- U of M
November 28- Holodomor Memorial Day



IMPORTANT DATES

DECEMBER

December 1- Late Start 9AM

December 1- Early Dismissal 2:40PM

December 1- WJHA- Tutoring

December 1 - School Advisory Committee Meeting @ 6pm in library

December 3- International Day of Persons with Disabilities

December 4 – Family of Schools Pancake Breakfast

December 6- National Day of Remembrance & Action on Violence Against Women

December 8- Late Start 9AM

December 8- WJHA- Harvest MB (Full afternoon commitment for all WJHA students)

December 8- JTC Band/ Choir Winter Concert 7PM

December 9- Field Trip- PSC- U of M 9AM-3:15PM

December 10- Human Rights Day

December 11 - Piper Prestige 11AM in Gym AB

December 14- Locker Clean Up (end of P3)

December 14-18- Spirit Week

December 15- Late Start 9AM

December 15- Early Dismissal 2:40PM

December 16- Cultural Potluck @ lunch

December 18- Last Day of Classes before Winter Break

December 21- January 1- Winter Break