

# AJ Talkies

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## Student Council Election 2020-21

**Al Ain Juniors School, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2020:**

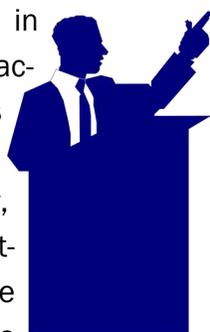
Even during the trying times under the COVID-19 era, students and teachers of AJI have learnt to go in with their usual yearly activities. The students participated in the first 'e-elections' in history, on 18<sup>th</sup> June 2020. Voters cast their vote through online ballots and the results were announced on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June.

After the nominations were approved, elections campaigns and canvassing by the candidates were done from 14<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> of June. Social media platforms were used to their fullest by everyone while appealing for votes. The school also saw new and creative methods of campaigning like music videos, posters, etc.

The election debates were conducted in the presence of both teachers and students, between the Head Boy and Head Girl candidates, on 15<sup>th</sup>. It was a huge success due to the concerted efforts of the teachers.

Finally, the elections were conducted through an online platform set up by the IT Department, and the results were announced a few days later, on 22<sup>nd</sup>. Again, the teachers made their mark by creating a wonderful video congratulating the newly elected Student Council.

It was indeed a new experience to vote for the student representatives of AJI through online means, but needless to say, it went on smoothly thanks to the collaboration of the entire school.



# The Newly Elect Student Council – 2020-21

Hearty

2020-21



Head Boy-  
Daniel Biju



Head Girl  
Caron Chacko



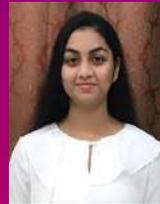
Ast. Head Boy  
Aebel Thomas



Ast. Head Girl  
Soumya Ray



House captains : Rapids- Imaad A , Tornadoes—Jinit S.  
Flame—Allen P , Rockies—Mustafa B



House captains : Rapids- ,Deepa Z. Tornadoes—Ayisha J  
Flame—Tehereen F, Rockies—Sumayyah S



Asst House captains : Rapids– Allen P Tornadoes— Nischal N  
Rockies– Rajmal S



Asst House captains : Rapids– Manasa R Tornadoes— Fiza F  
Flames—Sheba A Rockies— Adeela S

## I Like It Better When I Close My Eyes

By Caron Chacko

O little mortal, what bothers you so?  
 Tired of the flamboyance of life,  
 Tired of the emotions that never cease to flow?  
 Feel like you were the Kraken of the sea,  
 Now you're just some wandering traveler,  
 Prey to the dangers of the raging waters,  
 feel like you just cannot flee?  
*I writhe and I whimper,  
 But there's none, none to hear my final whispers.  
 Alone, cold and dark,  
 I tremble against them shadows of my sins,  
 Hoping they'd vanish, never return they will.*



Little girl, why does this bother you so?  
 Look at the good in the world, look at you!  
 Haven't I filled you with love more and more?  
 You are no monster,  
 Whatever people might say,  
 Just outlive you're enemies,  
 run a little faster.

*Hope has died within the cold shutters of my dying heart,  
 Its wings withered and torn into pieces, part by part.  
 Help me, someone, help me stand,  
 I am just a wee little child learning to walk, on a world gone stone-hard.*

I understand, little one.  
*That's all I want.*

## Online AJMUN Session 2020

AJMUN is being continued through MS Teams in order to keep the students engaged in research and debating over the past month under the guidance of Social Science Dept- Mrs Latha James and team to keep the momentum going during Distance Learning phase. The sessions are conducted on Saturday mornings from 10am to 12pm. The three committees that have been active are

**General Assembly** with the topics in discussion being Drugs, Narcotics & Human Trafficking Threatening the National Security

The **Security Council** committee topics being -Data Security, Securing online transactions, Privacy and data breaches and Combatting COVID 19

The **SOCHUM** committee topics being “Encouraging Women’s Political participation and Economic Empowerment” and “Child Rights”.

The delegates have shown commendable spirit and have been researching very well by posing questions to each other with great enthusiasm. The delegates have also adapted to debating over video and using the ‘Raise Hand’ feature on teams to raise their placard to be recognized by the chair. MUN also helps them enhance their researching skills, in addition to their oratory capabilities, as the delegates have to undertake extensive research on the agenda and come well prepared for the session.



### Appreciation Day

By Amogha Shetty

On 18<sup>th</sup> June at 7:00 pm a virtual appreciation day was conducted by our school to felicitate the students who brought laurels to themselves and to our school. The current situation did not stop our school from appreciating the students for winning accolades in various fields and making our school proud. In order to make the event successful, a lot of preparations were made by the teachers and the computer department along with PDO of our school. The event was graced by the presence of our Chaiman Mr Arshad Sharief and MD Tanweer Arshad. The first event was the felicitation of the winners of H.H Sheikh Hamdan Award for Academic Excellence won by Amogha Shetty of 12 A. Sharjah Award for Educational Excellence won by Seetha Lekshmi Kishore of grade 7, and the winners of the Certificate of Excellence Swasti Purohit, Danush kumar and Arslan Masood. It was a proud moment for both the parents and the teachers.

It was followed by felicitating the winners of various online competitions held at school including the Ramdan E competition, the distance learning achievers and World War1 combat of intellect winners. The various talents of our students in different field were showcased through their work. This was followed by a talent show .The event ended with a heart-warming message from the teachers to the students. It was truly a wonderful event and a great initiative taken by our school. In fact everyone had a new and exciting experience. overall it was a successful event and hope to see more such events in the future with more and more students making our school proud.

## MY DEAR FATHER

Today is a day for you  
 I bet it isn't gonna be blue  
 Have a problem and have no clue  
 I know u are the one I need to come to



You are the one that catch's me before I fall  
 You are the one that hits me with snowballs  
 You are the one that plays with me when the night falls  
 And so I love you above all

You might be away but I know u will always be near me  
 Even though u I can't see  
 You take care me like a cherry tree  
 You taught me knowledge is the key to be

Today is the best day ever  
 Noting is gonna be better  
 I will be there for u whenever  
 I am gonna love you forever

H·A·P·P·Y  
*Father's*  
 DAY → *to the best Dad ever!*

## QUARANTINE

BY AEBEL

I used to look at the world and there was so  
 much to see,  
 but now everyone in it was stuck on a screen,  
 Cause being on screen was a daily routine  
 for all of us now that we see.

I miss being out and playing with my buddies,  
 Oh how lovely and ease was that, I would al-  
 ways enjoy the breeze

I look at the world now there's less to be seen,  
 There isn't much to do rather than looking at  
 your screens.

I will look at the world after all of this is done,  
 there will be kids in the park, having lots of fun.

After all of this, will come a day of ease,  
 And we'll all be with our kin and seize the mo-  
 ment.



**We must accept finite  
 disappointment,  
 but never lose infinite hope.**

*Martin Luther King Jr.*

## A TOMORROW THAT I'VE BEEN DREAMING

Fareeha Mahin

There are days I wish I didn't see...  
 There are nights I wish I didn't dream...  
 And here, I doubt;  
 There's a tomorrow that's yet to feel!  
 There are smiles I wish could be real...  
 There are tears, all felt surreal...  
 And here, I am;  
 Kicking my heels for a tomorrow that's yet to feel!  
 Today is one of those tomorrows-  
 Which were supposed to pay off my sorrows/  
 Be profitable of all my struggles, efforts!  
 And help my time that's stuck-  
 Compensating my long-lost luck.  
 But I still continue to SCREAM,  
 Because tomorrow seems like my dream.  
 Well! I heard dreams can be true!  
 There are thoughts I wish I didn't think...  
 There are people I wish I didn't link...  
 Now with no more hardships I can take,  
 Here, I still am:  
 Expecting a tomorrow.  
 A tomorrow that I've been dreaming!

### The Unrecognized Beauty of Loneliness

A space, an absence;  
 Being trapped between two worlds,  
 Trying to reach for companionship.  
 It can't be explained by a psychic with his words,  
 And nor by a depressed when he loses his grip!  
 Loneliness is like a dark room...  
 Where you are waiting for some light to be shed!  
 It makes you a brake or a broom,  
 And tells you to grow alone, just undead ...  
 Neither can you touch, nor can you feel,  
 It's just an emotion that drains you & then heals!  
 It's not always your enemy; you can make it your friend...  
 Then it will definitely take you beyond the dead-end.  
 You'll realize when you look around...  
 That there's always someone to make you feel profound!  
 So welcome loneliness with your open arms,

