Trips Within Walking Distance Parent Letter

Notice to Parents/Guardians

October 5, 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian:

The CBE values the educational benefit of field trips. Field trips close to our school can complement classroom learning by giving students opportunities to explore the community around their school.

Please be advised the process for trips within walking distance of the school has been simplified, excluding restricted activities, e.g. swimming. As parents/guardians, you will no longer need to fill out a consent form for your child to go on a class trip that is walking distance from the school, e.g. to a local park. Appropriate walking distance is determined by the principal.

Teachers will provide at least 48 hours' notice when planning a trip to a local site. You will be notified about these trips by an email and/or a an Announcement on your child's Google Classroom.

The following is a list of sites that teachers may use to complement classroom learning:

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Name of location	Address / Description	Distance from school (kms)
Crossroad Community Centre Park/gardens	1803 14 Ave NE	200 meters
Nose Creek Pathway/ Memorial Forest	Refrew north of 8 th Ave NE	1.5 km
Telus Spark	220 Saint George's Dr. NE	2.1 km
Vista Heights Vista/Airways Park	North of 16 th Ave NE (utilizing pedestrian overpass)	1.7 km
Community pathways and sidewalks up to Sir John Franklin School	2215 8 Ave NE	1.1 km

As with any field trip, we want to inform you about some common hazards involved with walking trips to the above locations. Please note this list may not include all of the hazards for a given trip:

- Slips, trips and falls;
- Getting separated from the group;
- Street crossings;
- Pre-existing medical conditions and/or allergies
- Exposure to infectious diseases (eg. COVID-19 virus, SARS, MERS, influenza)

If you have any questions regarding field trips within walking distance of the school, please contact either administrator or your child's teacher.

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