



Dear Parents/Legal Guardians of Woodlands Students:

Re: Field study trips within walking distance

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

Please be advised that the process for trips within walking distance of the school is a simplified process from other field trips. As parents/legal guardians, you are not required to complete a consent form for your child to go on a class trip that is walking distance from the school. Appropriate walking distance is determined by the Principal and varies depending on the age of the students.

Teachers will provide at least 48 hours notice when planning a trip to a local destination or to walk within the community. You will be notified about these trips by your child's homeroom teacher via email, teacher blog or letter. Each walking trip will include at least 2 adult supervisors, one of which is the classroom teacher.

An estimated range that teachers may use to complement classroom learning is 1 kilometer in each direction. Teachers will use the entry to Fish Creek Park directly across from the school for walks into this valuable natural space.

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

- Slips, trips and falls
- Getting lost or separated from the group
- Street crossing – motor vehicle traffic
- Pre-existing medical conditions and/or allergies
- Contact with the general public

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

Regards,

Tamra Wilcox, Principal