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Hello Parents/Guardians,

Update on field trips within walking distance

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 is simplified, excluding restricted activities, e.g. swimming. As parents/guardians, you do not 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 and may vary, depending on the age of the students.

Teachers will provide at least 48 hours notice when planning a trip to a local site. You will be notified about these trips by School Messenger and/or Google Classroom.

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

Name of location	Address / Description	Distance from school (kms)
Varsity Ravine Park	Varsity Estates Drive NW and 53 St NW	650m
Bowmont Park Viewpoint / Dale Hodges Park	Bowmont Park Viewpoint (near 2123 52 Street NW)	1.9kms / 2.4kms
Varsity Community Association	4303 Varsity Drive NW	1.0km
University Research Park	37 th Street NW at 40 th Avenue NW	2.0kms

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

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

Sincerely,

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