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Dear Louis Riel Families,

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 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 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 the teacher coordinating the trip via email, written letter or notification on Edmodo (K-6) or D2L (7-9)

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

Name of location	Address / Description	Distance from school (kms)
South Glenmore Park	90 Ave and 24 St to the west end of Palliser Drive by the Parks Depot building. This includes the area surrounding the south side of the Glenmore Reservoir	0.8 km to Parks Depot building
Weaselhead Natural Area	Weaselhead Flats is a 237 hectare natural environment park that borders the west end of the Glenmore Reservoir, connecting North and South Glenmore Parks.	1.2 km to access from South Glenmore Park

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

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

Sincerely,
Heather Goodman
Principal