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Dear Parents and Guardians:

Field Trips Within Walking Distance

The CBE values the educational benefit of field trips. Field trips close to our school 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 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.

Community Walks are a recurring part of the Physical Education and Wellness Program for Dr. George Stanley School, and students will access the pathways throughout Cranston during their PE Classes and in conjunction with Land Based Learning.

This letter notifies you of Community Walks related to Physical Education and Wellness and Outdoor Education. For other walking fieldtrips, teachers will provide at least 48 hours notice when planning a trip to a local site. You will be notified about these trips via School Messenger.

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

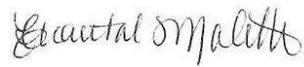
Name of location	Address / Description	Distance from school (kms)
Cranston Escarpment Viewpoint		2.3 km
"The Ridge"		1.3 km
Century Hall		0.5 km
Statue Park		0.7 km
Bow River Pathway in Cranston		varies
River Valley in Riverstone		2.3 km
Cranston School		1.0 km
Sybilla Kiddle School		1.1 km

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 me or your child's teacher.

Sincerely,



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