



St. Patrick's Elementary School

WALKATHON 2014

Dear Parents,

This year our annual spirit raiser and Parish, School fundraiser will take place on **Friday, October 3RD, 2014**. This will be our 32ND Walkathon!!!! As in past years, this fundraiser generates much-needed funds to help enhance and extend the children's learning experiences. This year the funds will be used to assist in the purchase of technology and multi-media resources.

All students will walk to Queen Elizabeth Park, but the Kinder and Grade One classes will walk a shorter route and get a bus ride back to school. The grade 6 & 7 classes will walk to 41st and back to school. The Gr. 2, 3, 4 & 5 classes will walk around Queen Elizabeth Park and back to school. As happened last year, we will be having a hotdog day after the walk. Order forms will be sent home closer to the date. We encourage as many parents as possible to join us for this fun event.

Last year we raised over **\$17,000.00!!!** With your support and encouragement, we are aiming to reach our goal of \$20,000.00. Your child will be issued a Walkathon Pledge Sheet and as part of your commitment to help with fundraising, we ask that you help your child to obtain sponsors. A pledge sheet must be returned by each student. **This event is a great opportunity to meet your family fundraising obligation for the 2014-2015 school year.**

PRIZES:

- A) A **T-shirt** will be awarded to each student who raises **\$100**. **May be worn as P.E. Uniform for current year.*
- B) The Individual who raises and collects **the most money** will receive a 16GB **iPad mini**.
- C) Any student that raises **a minimum of \$125** will be entered in a draw to win an **iTouch**.
- D) Any student who raises **a minimum of \$250** will be entered in a draw to win a 16GB **iPad mini**.

In order to win or qualify for draws all pledges must be paid in full by Friday, October 3, 2014.

Cheques may not be post-dated past October 3, 2014.

Please complete and return the attached consent form by September 26, 2014. If you have any further questions, please contact the school.

Respectfully yours in Christ,

M. Boreham,
Principal

ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL
OFF-SITE ACTIVITY(IES) CONSENT OF PARENT/GUARDIAN
AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK FORM A (Local, Low-Risk Day Trip)

To the Parent(s)/Guardian(s) of: **Parents of Gr. K – 7 students**

Please read the contents of this Consent and Acknowledgement of Risk form. Clarify any questions or concerns with the Lead Teacher BEFORE signing it.

If this form is not signed and **returned to the school by Sept. 26, 2014**, your child WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND.

PROGRAM/ACTIVITY INFORMATION

DESTINATION/ACTIVITY: **WALKATHON, Friday, October 3, 2014**

SERIES OF OFF-SITE ACTIVITIES (Specify program):
PURPOSE OR EDUCATIONAL GOAL(S): FUNDRAISER

ITINERARY/ACTIVITIES: Kinder & Gr. 1– walk to Queen Elizabeth Park and ride the bus back to school.
Gr. 2 – 5 -Walk to and from Queen Elizabeth Park
Gr. 6 & 7 - Walk to 41st Avenue and back to school.

METHOD OF TRANSPORTATION: K & 1 – walk and school bus, Gr. 2 -7 walk.

LEAD TEACHER: all staff TOTAL NO. OF SUPERVISORS PLANNED: 20 staff, plus parents

SUPERVISORY ARRANGEMENTS: staff members will supervise their own class with help of T.A.s and parents.

COST TO THE STUDENT: N/A WHAT TO BRING: Light snack, water, proper walking shoes

OTHER CONSIDERATIONS: Please dress according to the weather.

BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

The board will make every reasonable effort to ensure or ascertain that:

- a. The staff, volunteers and/or service providers involved are suitably trained and qualified.
- b. The students are adequately supervised over all aspects of the program/activity.
- c. The location(s) used are appropriate and safe for the activity(ies) and group.
- d. Equipment used has been inspected and deemed appropriate and safe.
- e. A Safety Plan is in place to identify and manage known potential risks.
- f. An Emergency Plan is in place to deal with an injury or illness to any of the students.

POTENTIAL KNOWN RISKS

Potential known risks include the following: Traffic, inherent risk to pedestrians walking in inner city areas.

Additional Comments/Requirements:

CONSENT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISK

Destination/Activity/Program: **Walkathon** Dates: Friday, **October 3, 2014**

1. I acknowledge my right to obtain as much information as I require about this program or activity and associated risks and hazards, including information beyond that provided to me by the school or board.
2. I freely and voluntarily assume the risks/hazards inherent in the program/activity and understand and acknowledge that my child may suffer personal and potentially serious injury arising from his/her participation.
3. My child has been informed that he/she is to abide by the rules and regulations, including directions and instructions from the school's and/or service provider's administrators, instructors, and supervisors over all phases of the program/activity.
4. In the event my child fails to abide by these rules and regulations, disciplinary action may require his/her exclusion from further participation, or that I be contacted to have him/her picked up, unless I have specified other transport arrangements.
5. I acknowledge that it is my responsibility to advise the Lead Teacher of any medical and/or health concerns of my child that may affect his/her participation in the stated program or activity.
6. I acknowledge that the trip supervisors may secure transport to emergency medical services as they deem necessary for my child's immediate health and safety, and that I shall be financially responsible for such services.
7. Based on my understanding, acknowledgement, and consents as described herein,

(Name of Student) _____ (Date of Birth) _____ has my permission to participate

Date: _____ Name (Please print): _____ Signature: _____

Parent/Guardian Contact Numbers: Day _____ Evening _____

Personal information contained on this form is collected under the authority of the Schools Act, for the purpose of participating in school trips. If you have any questions about this form, please contact your school principal.