



Ecole Elementaire Sunshine Hills Elementary
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January 5th 2017

Chers parents,



The French Kindergarten classes are going to go to Sungod for swimming lessons. The swimming lessons will occur in placement of “Daily Physical Activity” that occurs at school, and will not only allow for a great opportunity to gain more life skills, but it will also help students socially and emotionally (as they always love this activity!). This requires a large commitment from the teachers to help organize, and plan for this activity, and the teachers appreciate your enthusiasm and commitment to help make this experience a great one for the children. Students should bring a towel and wear appropriate swimming suits (no cut-off jeans allowed). We will leave the school at **approx. 11:00 a.m.** and anticipate returning at **approx 12:30.**

Transportation for this outing will be provided by parent **volunteers**. If you can assist in transporting students to and from the pool, please complete the form below and return it to class by **January 13th** (to ensure we have enough drivers). Supervision on the trip will be supplied by the school, parent volunteers and lifeguards from Sungod.

The cost of the trip is **\$25.00 per child**. In order to place your child in the proper swimming level please bring your child’s most current swimming report card. Please send the permission form, swimming report card and **\$25.00** before **Friday, January 13th 2017.**

Kind regards,
 French Immersion Kindergarten Teacher
 Mme. Ross

The shape of the field trip

- Students will arrive at Sungod with their parent volunteer.
- The girls and boys go into the appropriate change room with a parent volunteer of the same sex.
- The children change in change room stalls independently. In order for this to occur please practice having your child change out of a wet bathing suit (out of a bathtub is great). Body awareness, and body safety is taught explicitly through the Kindergarten C.A.R.E unit which will be a focus on this term as well. Some children where their suits underneath their clothes.
- The children go to their appropriate leveled swimming lesson with a swimming instructor. For this to occur, students are matched to their current swim level (if in swimming lessons).
- The children then go and change into their clothes again in the change stalls independently.

Sungod Swimming Lessons Itinerary

Time: 11:30-12:00

Leave school at 11:00, eat Lunch at Sungod, and return by 12:30 approx.

Lesson 1	Tuesday January 24th	Lesson 5	Friday February 17th
Lesson 2	Tuesday January 31st	Lesson 6	Tuesday February 21st
Lesson 3	Friday February 3rd	Lesson 7	Tuesday February 28th
Lesson 4	Tuesday February 7th	Lesson 8	Tuesday March 7th



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CONSENT FORM

Accidents can be the result of the nature of the activity and can occur without any fault on either the part of the student, or the school board, or its employees or agents, or the facility where the activity is taking place. By allowing my child to participate in this activity, I am accepting the risk of an accident occurring, and agree that this activity, as described above, is suitable for my child. *

As of July, 2008, the law now requires children under 9 years of age between 18 and 36kg (40 to 80 lbs) and less than 145 centimeters (4'9") tall require the use of a booster seat when riding in a motor vehicle.

Please ensure that your child brings his/her booster seat to school on the day of the field trip. Booster seats must be clearly labeled with your child's name. Parent volunteer drivers will not transport children that are not secured safely in a booster seat.

I give permission for _____, Div: _____ to participate in swimming lessons at *Sungod Aquatic Centre* on Tuesdays, January 24, 31, Friday, February 3, Tuesday, February 7, Friday, February 17, Tuesday, February 21, 28 & Tuesday, March 7, 2017. I understand that my child may be exposed to certain risks while participating in this activity. Accidents and injuries may occur. Supervision will be provided by the school and parent volunteers. Transportation will be by volunteer Parent Drivers.

OR

I do not give permission for _____ Div.____ to participate in this field trip.

 Printed name of Parent/Guardian

 Signed by Parent/Guardian

 Address of Parent

 Date

Possible medical problems: [] nil [] medication required

Medication and dosage required: _____

** By providing consent to have your child participate, you are not waiving your right of recourse should your child be injured as a result of gross negligence on the part of any party. In such an event claims against the District, its employees, volunteers or agents would be handled by the provincial School Protection Program.*

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS SECTION IF YOU CAN DRIVE

I can drive students on the field trip to the Sungod Aquatic Centre on :
Tuesday, January 24th [] 31th [] Friday, February 3rd [] Tuesday, February 7th []
Friday, February 17th [] Tuesday, February 21st [] 28th [] and/or Tuesday, March 7th [] 2017.

My vehicle has seatbelts for _____ students. Name of driver: _____

Are you at least 21 years of age? Yes _____ No _____

B.C. Driver's Licence # _____ Expiry Date: _____

Vehicle Licence # _____ Expiry Date: _____

*** Please note that we have been advised that children under 12 years of age should not ride in the front passenger seat of vehicles equipped with an air bag.**



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STUDENT TRANSPORTATION BY VOLUNTEER DRIVERS

Delta School District values the involvement and commitment of our volunteer drivers. Student transportation is the responsibility of the school principal who may designate a “supervisor” to assume overall responsibility for travel arrangements and supervision of travel for a particular school activity, or for all activities.

In accordance with guidelines in the Schools Protection Program Reference Manual and the regulations of the Motor Vehicle Branch, any volunteer driver willing to provide transportation where needed for organized school activities, must review and comply with the following conditions:

- The driver must hold a valid British Columbia driver’s licence (Intermediate Stage or Full Privilege only);
- The vehicle must have standard insurance coverage with I.C.B.C.;
- The vehicle must have one seatbelt available for every passenger, including the driver;
- The number of persons being transported in the vehicle must not exceed the normal carrying capacity of that vehicle;
- The vehicle must be maintained in sound mechanical order;
- Children under the age of 13 must not be transported in the front passenger seat in vehicles equipped with a front airbag on the passenger side;
- The driver must authorize a Criminal Records Check for situations involving overnight trips with students;
- **ALL INCIDENTS OF INJURY OR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS MUST BE REPORTED TO SCHOOL STAFF** and an Incident Report (Operations 1142) must be completed and provided to the School District Office.

A vehicle with a seating capacity of more than ten persons, including the driver, is classified by the Motor Vehicle Branch as a “bus”. A “bus” used to transport students is required to have a valid school bus permit issued by the Motor Vehicle Branch. This will include volunteers’ vehicles and rental vehicles used for student transportation.

Volunteers who rent vehicles to transport students for school-approved functions must be aware of the appropriate requirements for drivers licence classifications, Third Party Liability insurance limits, and School Bus Permits, particularly when renting vehicles which have a capacity to carry more than ten people, including the driver. Vehicle capacity, and not the number of passengers being carried, is the determining factor. Only drivers who are declared to the rental agency are allowed to drive (confirm minimum age requirement for operating a rental vehicle with the rental agency). Insurance coverage is voided if an undeclared driver drives the vehicle.

The Insurance Corporation of British Columbia considers drivers to be “volunteers” as long as they are reimbursed only for reasonable expenses. If you are paid a wage or are reimbursed for your time, you no longer would be considered a “volunteer” and you should contact your Autoplan agent as it may be necessary for your vehicle to be rated for “business use”.

Your actions on behalf of the School District are covered by the School Protection Program while participating in any school board or school-authorized and supervised activity. However, not all situations that occur during off-site school activities will be considered part of the approved activity. For example, if you decide to leave the premises of the school activity for personal reasons and are involved in an accident, the School Protection Program may not respond on your behalf. You should be aware that volunteers may have some personal legal liability exposures. These exposures may be insured under the liability section of homeowners’ or tenants’ insurance policies, or under an ICBC Policy. You are advised to check with your own insurance agents.

Third Party coverage above \$200,000 (basic personal coverage) is provided by the Schools Protection Program, however, **NO COMPREHENSIVE OR COLLISION** coverage is provided beyond your own personal vehicle insurance.

There is **NO MEDICAL, DENTAL OR DISABILITY COVERAGE** for volunteers. If you are injured by the actions of other people, you still have the right of common law action and in the case of automobile-related injuries, ICBC coverage may apply. **Please report ALL incidents of injury or vehicle accidents to school staff immediately.**