

Local Area Walk – 2017 permission

Local area walks are conducted in our local area. The local area is displayed on our parent notice board and can be accessed on the OSHC page of the SCA website.

We go on local walks to extend on the children’s interests, to learn about our local area and to engage in the local community. During the walks the children often explore the natural environment and risk assessments have been completed for these experiences.

While on the local walks there are not usually any toilet facilities, so we encourage the children to go to the toilet before leaving.

RISK ASSESSMENTS

- A general ‘Local Walk’ risk assessment is completed at the beginning of each year, specifying general risks that may be present in the local area.
- Risk assessments are completed in the local area each year for specific areas that we regularly visit eg. Wetlands, shops, Gordon park/lake.
- Risk assessments are conducted with the children as we venture into areas that have not had a specific risk assessment completed.

ROUTE AND DESTINATION AND DURATION OF THE EXCURSION

- Where the destination is pre-planned, a sign will be displayed at the service showing the proposed route and destination.
- Where the destination is not pre-planned, the children and educators will highlight the route and destination whilst on the walk and it will be displayed when they return to the service.
- The duration of the excursion will be determined by the following factors:
 - The children’s interest in the excursion
 - When/if children need to return to the service for school or by 4.30pm collection

TRANSPORT

- For local area walks the children and educators will walk. There will be no alternate transport.

ANTICIPATED NUMBER OF CHILDREN, NUMBER OF EDUCATORS AND RATIO

- The number of children will be determined by children’s interest in the experience.
- When going on local walks the ratio of educators to children will be 1:11. There will always be at least 2 educators, one of which will be first aid trained.

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## Local Area Walks Permission

I \_\_\_\_\_ give permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_  
(parent name) (child’s name)

to participate in local area walks conducted by OSHC.

I give permission for my child to participate on the following BSC and ASC days and will inform OSHC if this changes permanently or for a particular week.

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| BSC | <input type="checkbox"/> Monday | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday | <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday | <input type="checkbox"/> Friday |
| ASC | <input type="checkbox"/> Monday | <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday | <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday | <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday | <input type="checkbox"/> Friday |

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_