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Etobicoke Field Studies Visit

Dear Parents:

Your child's class will be participating in a one-day visit to the **Etobicoke Field Studies Centre** on the following date:

The cost of this trip per student is \$_____.

The Centre is located in the Claireville Conservation Area just northwest of Etobicoke.

Our staff is composed of Toronto District School Board employees and University of Waterloo co-op students.

During the day your child will be participating in two carefully chosen activities. A strong emphasis is placed upon learning about the natural environment and our place within it. For a more precise description of the specific program for the day please contact your child's teacher or visit our web site at <http://schoolweb.tdsb.on.ca/efsc/Home.aspx>

* It is important to encourage your son or daughter to bring a **waste-free lunch**.



A waste-free lunch includes:

- / A reusable lunch box or bag that can be taken home with you.
- / Reusable containers.
- / A thermos or reusable plastic drink container
- / All garbage and recycling will be sent home with your child. The remainders of fruit and vegetable snacks can be composted at our facility.



* More learning will be derived from the day if your child is **suitably dressed for the weather conditions** on the day of the trip, as they will be outside for several hours.



Y We also ask that all visitors **bring indoor shoes or slippers**.



The **Parent/Guardian Permission for Excursion** (Form 511C) must be filled out and returned to the school in order for your child to be able to participate in this trip. This information will be used if an accident occurs. The emergency desk at William Osler Health Centre - former Etobicoke General Hospital requires this information.

A limited number of volunteers are welcome to come and assist with the supervision of the children. With this in mind, we ask that additional children not be brought with you. As well, we request that you not use your cell phone while engaged in program.

If you would like more information concerning our program, please telephone the Field Studies Centre at **(905) 794-2171**.

Yours sincerely,

The Field Studies Centre Staff