GRADE 5 FIELD TRIP TO VICTORIA

 Wednesday, April 25, 2018

Dear Grade 5 Families,

As part of our social studies unit on government, the Grade 5 students learned about Canada’s three levels of government. In order to enrich the students’ understanding of Canada’s provincial level of government, we will be participating in an exciting field trip to Victoria. There, we will take a guided tour of the Legislative Assembly, where provincial laws are passed and important issues are debated. Students will also have the opportunity to meet an MLA and witness a debate. As part of the trip, students will also visit the Royal BC Museum

The field trip will take place on **Wednesday, April 25** (\*note the extended day). Please review the schedule, payment information and consent form.

Please read the entire letter carefully for clarification of our expectations of the trip.

The students will be travelling by rental bus.

SCHEDULE

8:00 AM SHARP Be at front entrance to Talmud Torah (26th Ave.)

8:15 AM Bus leaves for Richmond

10:00 AM Ferry departs from Tsawwassen to Swartz Bay (1 h 35 min.)

11:35 AM Arrive at Swartz Bay

12:00 PM Arrive at downtown

12:00-12:30PM Victoria- lunch time

12:30 PM Visit the Royal BC Museum

2:30 PM Guided tour of Legislative Assembly

4:30 PM- 5:30PM Dinner

5:45 PM Bus departs for ferry terminal at Swartz Bay

7:00 PM Ferry departs for Tsawwassen

8:35 PM Approximate time of ferry arrival in Tsawwassen

9:10 PM Approximate time of drop off at Talmud Torah

 IMPORTANT INFORMATION

**COST**

The cost of the field trip is $25 per student. Please submit cash or a cheque made payable to Vancouver Talmud Torah (write “Grade 5 Victoria Trip” in the memo section.) Payments should be submitted to Ms. Claudio (5A), Mr. Leonard (5B), no later than **Friday, April 20.**

Students may wish to bring some extra spending money for souvenirs. If you could limit the amount to $20 it would be much appreciated, as we do not want anyone to lose a large amount of money.

If you should require financial assistance toward the cost of the trip, please contact the teachers or Jessica Neville.

**SUPERVISION**

Six members of the Talmud Torah staff will supervise the students

**FOOD**

Please make sure your child brings a healthy dairy or pareve lunch and dinner, as well as plenty of snacks and a refillable water bottle for the day. Students receiving a hot lunch will receive a voucher applicable for lunch on a later date. Students WILL NOT be permitted to purchase any food or drinks on the trip. Since it is a very long day for the students, it is preferable to bring more, rather than less food.

**ATTIRE**

The trip as a non-uniform day for the students, but since we are visiting the Legislative Assembly, students are expected to dress appropriately and modestly. Please no tank tops, flip flops or clothing with inappropriate logos.

**OTHER ITEMS YOU MAY WISH TO BRING**

* A daypack for personal belongings
* A camera
* A small notebook and pencil for taking notes
* Rain gear
* Reading materials and travel games for the ferry ride

PLEASE NO CELL PHONES OR OTHER ELECTRONIC DEVICES – unless they are music players without screens

**CODE OF CONDUCT**

As with all Talmud Torah school events, we ask that students conduct themselves in an appropriate manner and remember our school rules and expectations of the field trip program, including behaviour at the museum, Legislature and ferry. We act as ambassadors for our school and when in public, we must be mindful of our conduct.

We are expecting the day to be a great learning experience for all the students. Please contact the teachers if you have further questions.

Please submit the bottom portion of this form, along with your payment of $25 by Friday, April 20.

Sincerely,

Ms. Claudio, Mr. Leonard and Morah Hila

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 Please Circle 5A 5B

 I grant permission for my child \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 to attend the Grade 5 field trip to Victoria, B.C. on Wednesday, April 25, 2017.

 I have reviewed this notice with my child and expect his/her conduct to be in

 compliance with the expectations of the program.

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 Signature Parent/Guardian Date