



Westview Elementary School

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SUBJECT: Notification of Traffic Safety Walkabout for Westview

Dear Parents,

One of the most important steps in the School Travel Planning process is participating in a Walkabout. Participating in this step will provide a critical opportunity for you to show City staff, RCMP officers, By-Law officers, School Board members and other key stakeholders' first-hand about the travel issues being faced by students and families. Direct observation of the common school routes and key areas of concern will begin the development of the Action Plan to make the commute to and from Westview safer.

When?

The Walkabout for Westview has been scheduled for Monday, January 18 from 2:30pm to 4:30pm.

What to expect?

The group will meet at the front of Westview Elementary School by the playground at 2:30 pm. Parents and students are welcome to join us. We will view the traffic issues around the school from 2:30 to 3:00. Then walk a predetermined route through the neighbourhood around the school that will highlight areas of safety concerns raised in the survey. The walking tour will be followed by a debrief session where the group will discuss the issues they've just seen and set some short and long-term goals to address them. The debrief session will be held in the library.

Children are welcome to join us for the walkabout. If your child is in grades K-3 and you would like them to participate with you on the walkabout with you, please pick your child up from the classroom at 2:25 pm and meet with the group at the front of the school. If your child is in grades 4-7 and you would like them to participate on the walkabout, please let your teacher know and they will excuse them from class to join the group.

The walkabout will end and we will be on the school grounds for the bell at 3. Children are welcome to attend the debrief session following the walkabout from 3:00 – 4:30 pm with their parents because they are the true customers. There will also be quiet games and activities to keep them amused should they not want to take part in the discussion.

Sincerely,

Barbara Leigh
Principal