



Dear Parents/Guardians:

We are pleased to inform you that the English Department, together with the Science Department, is planning a field trip for all students in Grades 10 through 12 on Wednesday, November 3 to hear author, Claire Holden Rothman speak about her new book, *The Heart Specialist*. The lecture will take place at 11:30 a.m. at the Rockcliffe Park Library, 38 Springfield Avenue. Due to its close proximity to Elmwood School, the students will walk across to the library in the company of their teachers. The hour-long FREE lecture will be followed by a short tour of the library and a draw for several door prizes. The students will return to school in time for their afternoon classes.

Inspired by the life of Dr. Maude Abbott, *The Heart Specialist* is the story of a woman pursuing her dream. Set in a time of great social change in the early years of the twentieth century, *The Heart Specialist* is the story of one woman's triumph in the face of adversity. **Claire Holden Rothman** is a writer and translator. Her work on *Le chercheur de trésors* won her the 1994 John Glassco Translation Award. She has a BA in philosophy from McGill, a MA in English Literature from Concordia University, and has taught English at Marianopolis College and creative writing at McGill University. It is a wonderful opportunity for Elmwood students to hear this writer speak about Dr. Abbott, a medical practitioner who affected important change in the last century.

We would request that day that students bring to school a brown-bag lunch as they will be required to eat a quick meal before their departure. It should also be noted that students must wear their Number-One Uniform for this excursion and that all bags, cell phones and I-Pods must be left safe in their lockers at school.

As we have to confirm numbers it is imperative that the attached 'Day-Trip' form be signed by a parent or legal guardian and returned by Wednesday, October 27, 2010. Students must return this form in order to be permitted to attend this field trip.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at boychuk@elmwood.ca.

Sincerely yours,

Angela Boychuk
Instructional Leader of the Arts/English
Elmwood School



Elmwood School Parent/Guardian Consent and Release Form (Day)

for Excursion to Rockcliffe Park Library to hear a lecture given by author Claire Holden Rothman on her book, *The Heart Specialist*.

Date of Trip: Wednesday, November 3, 2010

Departure: 11: 15 a.m. Return: 12:45 p.m.

Destination: Rockcliffe Park Library, 380 Springfield Avenue

** In the case of joint custody, BOTH parents must sign this Consent/Release form **

COST OF TRIP: No charge

MEDICAL INFORMATION and EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Student: _____ Birth Date: _____
Month Day Year

Family Doctor: _____ Phone: _____

Medical Condition(s): _____

Medication(s): _____

Allergies: _____

Ontario Health Card Number: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

CONSENT TO PARTICIPATE & TERMS OF PARTICIPATION

By my signature below, I give my daughter of SLG/Homeroom _____ permission to attend the ROCKCLIFFE PARK LIBRARY AUTHOR'S LECTURE ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2010.

I understand that all of Elmwood School's rules and policies (see Handbook) as well as any rules and directives established by those leading the trip remain in full force and effect for the duration of the trip.

By my signature below, I acknowledge and agree that I am solely responsible for any costs arising out of my daughter's breach of any of Elmwood School's rules and policies and/or any rules and directives established by those leading the trip and the resultant disciplinary actions, if any, whether occurring prior to or during the trip.

By my signature below, I further acknowledge and agree that in the event that my daughter breaches any of Elmwood School's rules and policies and/or any rules and directives established by those leading the trip while on the trip, Elmwood School may in its absolute discretion require that my daughter immediately return home and any expenses related to such a return (including without limitation travel, including travel of an adult to accompany my daughter, and any outstanding trip expenses) will be my sole responsibility.

RELEASE AND INDEMNITY

In consideration of my daughter being permitted to participate in THE AUTHOR'S LECTURE ON WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2010 AT THE ROCKCLIFFE PARK LIBRARY I do for myself, my daughter, my spouse and our respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, agree as follows:

I acknowledge and accept that participation in the trip may expose my daughter to unspecified risks and hazards, which are inherent in such trips, including without limitation, the method of transportation for the trip, all of which I expressly and voluntarily assume.

Furthermore, I acknowledge and accept that my daughter will not be under the direct supervision and control of Elmwood School staff or other trip volunteers at all times during the trip. As such, I agree that the conduct of our daughter during unsupervised times and any consequences flowing from such conduct is solely the responsibility of my daughter. [Note: include this paragraph only if activity is "on-site supervision" or "in-the-area supervision" activity (i.e., remove if it is "constant visual supervision" activity)]

By my signature below, I do for myself, my daughter, my spouse and our respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby RELEASE, WAIVE AND FOREVER DISCHARGE Elmwood School Inc. and its respective officers, partners, agents, employees, servants, representatives, successors and assigns ("the Releasees") OF AND FROM any and all actions, causes of actions, complaints, demands and claims whatsoever in existence prior to on or after the date hereof whether in law or in equity, in respect of death, injury, loss or damage to my daughter's person or my person or property HOWSOEVER CAUSED, arising or to arise by reason of my daughter's participation in the activities contemplated herein except to the extent that same are directly caused by

the gross negligence of Elmwood School Inc. or its respective officers, partners, agents, employees, servants, representatives, successors and assigns. I FURTHER UNDERTAKE TO HOLD AND SAVE HARMLESS AND AGREE TO INDEMNIFY all the aforesaid from and against any and all liability incurred by any or all of them arising as a result of or in any way connected to my daughter's participation in the activities contemplated herein.

By my signature below, I also agree and undertake not to make any claim or take any proceedings against the Releasees set out above, or any other person or corporation which might claim contribution or indemnity under the provisions of any statute or otherwise from the Releasees set out above.

EMERGENCY MEDICAL CONSENT

In the event of an emergency, Elmwood School requires parental consent in order to consent to the medical treatment or surgery of the student. Elmwood School will use reasonable efforts to contact the parent(s) prior to consenting to medical treatment for the student and the parent(s) acknowledge and agree that the need for an immediate decision regarding medical treatment for the student may make such contact impossible.

Accordingly, I, by my signature below, hereby authorize and give my express consent to the Head of Elmwood School, or her delegate, to act in loco parentis and in that capacity to consent to medical treatment or surgery for the student based on the advice of the attending physician who considers immediate medical treatment or surgery to be a necessity.

In addition, by my signature below, I hereby authorize and give my express consent to the Head of Elmwood School, or her delegate, to seek and obtain any and all medical interventions that may be reasonably required to ensure the safety and well being of my daughter while on the trip.

I have read all of the foregoing carefully and by my signature agree to be bound by all aspects of the foregoing.

Parent Name: _____ Date: _____

Parent Signature: _____

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Please return this form to Mrs. Angela Boychuk by Wednesday, October 27, 2010