



September 29, 2011

Dear Parents of Grade 3, 4 and 5 Students,

Re: The Nutcracker Suite Ballet - December 2, 2011

On Friday, December 2nd, the Pennsylvania Ballet will be performing George Balanchine's interpretation of this treasured holiday classic, which portrays the adventures of Marie and her Nutcracker Prince through the land of Snow, Sweets and the Sugar Plum Fairy. The performance, which features the NAC orchestra, will showcase lavish sets and costumes, dozens of local children and Tchaikovsky's beloved score.

We would like to give our students in Grades 3, 4 and 5 the opportunity to experience this two-hour student matinee performance.

Thanks to a generous private donation to our Junior School Music programme, there will be no cost to individual students for this excursion.

The students will leave school by bus at 10:30 a.m., returning to Elmwood by 1:50 p.m. Special arrangements regarding lunch will be communicated to you closer to the date.

Would you please complete the attached permission slip and return it to the school office by October 28th.

Sincerely,

Evelyn Pike
Music Teacher
epike@elmwood.ca



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

for Excursion to **National Arts Centre: "The Nutcracker Suite Ballet" (Grades 3-5)**

Date of Trip: Friday, December 2nd, 2011

Departure: 10:30 a.m. Return: 1:50 p.m.

Destination: National Arts Centre (53 Elgin Street, Ottawa)

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

COST OF TRIP

No fee to parents for this excursion.

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 in Grade _____ permission to attend "The Nutcracker Suite Ballet" at the National Arts Centre on Friday, December 2, 2011.

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 National Arts Centre: "The Nutcracker Suite Ballet" ("the trip"), 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.

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: _____

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Please return this form to Mrs. Hay in the Junior School Office by October 28, 2011.