



December 4, 2007

Dear IPS Parents,

**Re: Informed Consent – Manning Park Trip**

Due to the inherent risk involved in running outdoor programs, the standard for parental communication and consent concerning outdoor trips and school excursions needs to be detailed and thorough. The aim is to give parents a clear idea of the events anticipated on the trip, the potential perils that might be associated with those events, and the measures that are being taken to guard against those perils.

In order to meet this high standard of care, parents are asked to:

- Read the Manning Park Trip Memo attached (or on the IPS website: [www.islandpacific.org](http://www.islandpacific.org))
- Read the "Non-Exhaustive List of Potential Perils" on the reverse side of the Informed Consent From Parents Form (or on the IPS website).
- Determine whether or not you will attend the Manning Park Safety Orientation Meeting on Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 – 7:00 pm.
- Initial and sign the Manning Park Informed Consent Form indicating:
  - that you have read the Manning Park Trip Memo;
  - that you have read the Non-Exhaustive List of Potential Perils;
  - that you either will or will not attend the Safety Orientation Meeting;
  - that you consent to have your son or daughter on the Manning Park Trip.

The **Manning Park Safety Orientation meeting** will be held on **Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup> from 6:15-7:00 pm**. (Note that the school's "Walk Through Time" event will be held immediately after from 7:15-8:30 pm) The purpose of the orientation meeting is to review safety procedures with parents and answer any questions. All IPS parents are strongly encouraged to attend.

Parents must sign an informed consent form in order for their son or daughter to participate in this trip. These forms are due Monday, December 10<sup>th</sup>.

**Thank-you for your understanding and co-operation in this regard.**