

Contract

A. Safety

- Confirm with teacher before handling animals and insects that it is safe to do so
- Identify and avoid poison ivy
- Careful attention to surroundings and footing when exploring
- Always explore with a buddy
- If separated from group, stop exploring and shout for teacher
- Minor injuries treated with help of teacher and first aid kit
- Major injuries teacher uses professional judgment, class returns to school immediately, school is called, or emergency services called by teacher's cell phone

B. Respectful interactions

- Follow Tribes agreements outdoors: Mutual Respect, Attentive Listening, Appreciation No putdowns, and Right to Pass
- Respect the Earth: "Leave nothing but footprints take nothing but pictures kill nothing but time"
- Respect our neighbours also enjoying nature by being polite and sharing the path

C. Learning tools e.g. Materials

- Teacher will have: cell phone, first aid, whistle, zip lock bags, recording book, pencil sharpener
- Students will have: clipboard, pencil

D. Preparedness

Students should choose clothes and footwear that are appropriate for the weather especially on our Wilderness Wednesdays

E. Routines

- ☑ Take a washroom break before we go outside
- ▼ Tell office we are outside
- Students walk 2 by 2 in/out of school and when traveling on paths (easy counting for the teacher)
- ☑ Gathering places will be clearly identified
- Always explore with a buddy
- Let the teacher know if there is an area you'd like to explore beyond where the group is
- ✓ Wash hands after being outside