

SNOW REMOVAL & SAFE WINTER WALKING

Looks like winter is here to stay!

Even though winter brings us cold, snow and ice, walking is still a great option for getting to and from school. Even on our snowiest days, walking to school allows parents and students to beat the traffic and avoid the congestion at morning drop off. If you live too far from school to walk the whole way, give yourself a few extra minutes, park at the Scissons Park parking lot and take the opportunity to enjoy a walk in the winter wonderland. This is both fun and good exercise for all.

It's simple to be active in winter! But remember these things when you're out enjoying winter:

- Keep hands and head covered to prevent heat loss
- On really cold days wear a scarf over your face and mouth
- Wear warm, waterproof boots
- Wear a warm coat that deflects the wind
- Woolen clothing helps to retain the heat
- Wear clothing or carry knapsacks with reflective material – it's important to be seen, especially with the sun setting so early in the evening.
- If possible, change wet clothes at school – tuck an extra pair of socks and mitts into knapsacks

This is a great infographic from the City of Ottawa explaining the snow removal process following a winter storm. Please remember that reporting to 3-1-1 is the most effective way to report snow removal concerns.

