

BRENTWOOD FOR OUR KIDS CLIMATE WALK

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1) Did the Climate Walk change the way you and your children think about how climate change impacts your neighbourhood, and what climate solutions can be implemented?

Pam Dodd: One of the main ideas that was touched upon during our climate walk was the importance of permeable ground coverage. By walking around our own neighborhood, and tangibly feeling the heat of concrete versus the moist coverage of a rain garden, our kids were able to see very real solutions implemented around them.

Kate McMahon: The climate walk was a great introduction for kids and many of the parents to neighbourhood climate impacts and solutions. It began to connect the dots for kids on what climate change means for our neighbourhood and what some adaptive and mitigating features/actions are or could be.

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2) Did the Climate Walk inspire you and your children to take any personal or local actions to mitigate or adapt to the effects of climate change?

Pam Dodd: Our family often remembers the lessons we learned from our Climate Walk and have agreed not to waste water by excessively watering our lawn and instead focus just on watering our plants and vegetable garden this year.

Kate McMahon: The climate walk has helped us to look more closely and notice features – solutions and issues in our neighbourhood. It gave us a good framework for discussing impacts, causes, adaptation and mitigation both in our neighbourhood and beyond.

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3) What was one key learning you and your children took away from participating in the Climate Walk?

Pam Dodd: One of our key learnings is that climate solutions can happen right in our own neighborhood – from planting more trees in our school ground, to being more thoughtful about the ground coverage that we use in our own yards, to joining with our friends and neighbors in bringing awareness to local climate issues.

Kate McMahon: The CIMA framework was well explained and demonstrated. We have used it on many occasions to talk about climate change and solutions in our neighbourhood and regarding things we hear about on the news.

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Pam Dodd: For Our Kids Burrnaby recently had the chance to participate in a local climate walk hosted by the UBC Climate Action Mobilizers. From our earliest interactions with them, it was apparent that this was a very well-organized and passionate group. They were eager to learn about our group and planned an engaging and memorable climate walk based on our specific interests and location. During the walk, the Climate Action Mobilizers connected well with the kids in our group and asked questions and explained ideas in a very child-friendly manner. They planned many activities that kept our kids engaged and curious. It was very eye-opening to be led on a walk around our own neighborhood and think about our own community through the lens of climate action and climate solutions. We hope to partner with the Climate Action Mobilizers again soon!

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Kate McMahon: Our groups' kids and parents really enjoyed the CAM neighbourhood kids climate walk at Brentwood Park. The leaders were engaging, fun and animated. Through examples and illustrations, an interpretive walk and creative activities, the CAM team helped the kids understand and observe the causes, impacts, mitigation and adaptation strategies of climate change in our neighbourhood. It was a fun, active and accessible way to build a common language for future discussions with kids and parents about neighbourhood climate solutions and actions.

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