**Attendance Policy**

Situations will arise that will interfere with attendance such as illness, family crisis, and

vacations. When a child returns to school after an absence, parents should send a note of

explanation.

Parents should phone the office in the morning if a child is ill and will not be attending. In case

of a long-term illness, we encourage parents to keep in close contact with the teacher. A

doctor's note may be required, at the discretion of the principal, for long term illnesses

(exceeding 5 days) or excessive absenteeism.

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**Illness**

It is very important to keep sick children at home. Infections and communicable diseases are

spread quickly in the preschool environment. Children should be kept home if they have:

An elevated body temperature

Vomited in the last 12 hours

Had diarrhea or watery bowel

Frequent coughing, sneezing, or congestion

An audible or labored breathing, such as wheezing

Any draining sore or skin infection

Any type of rash

Red, puffy and/or draining eyes

Swelling on any part of the body

Head lice

A communicable disease such as chicken pox, measles, mumps, etc.