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Parent Attendance Letter

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Are you planning a family trip for the holidays? As you think about your arrangements, we want to stress the importance of sending your child to school every day possible. Every year, absences spike in the weeks before and after the winter holiday as families squeeze in a few more vacation days. We know that just a few missed days here and there can add up to too much lost learning time and put your child behind in school. This is as true in pre-k as it is in grade 8. Put simply, too many absences at any age can affect a student's chances for academic success.

We recognize that holidays are an important time for reconnecting with families. The costs of plane tickets often influence when you want to travel. Please keep in mind the costs to your child's education if they miss too much school, and the message you will be sending about the importance of attendance. Even if you get a homework packet from the teacher, it doesn't make up for the interaction and learning that happens in the classroom. Our teachers will be teaching, and our students will be learning right up until vacation starts and the first day back.

This holiday season, give your children the gift of an education and the habit of attendance.

Sincerely,

Charles Costello
Principal