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Dear Parents / Guardians:

RE: Students away from school for prolonged periods

Ministry of Education expects each student to attend school on a daily basis. When there are periods of extended absences, there is documentation that is required from the parent to support the absence and to keep the student active at the school.

There are a few scenarios and expectations you should be aware of:

- a) If your child is away from school due to an illness that lasts for 15, or more consecutive days, a medical note is required outlining the reason for the absence and the expected date of return.
- b) If you are planning a family holiday which lasts 15, or more consecutive days, the school requires a note outlining the length of the vacation and your expected date of return.

If, however, your child is in JK or SK, and the absence lasts 15 days, your child will be removed from the register as these programs are not compulsory. Upon your return, you will need to come back into the office, re-register your child and arrange bussing (if applicable).

Sincerely,

Marilyn Burans



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