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Dear Parents,

When kids miss too much school, even at a young age, they are more likely to have problems later with reading, math and general knowledge. Your child should be at school every day. To encourage good attendance:

- Plan trips for non-school days. It's very tempting to add extra days to vacation, but when your child is absent, opportunities for learning are missed.
- Prevent illness. Good hand washing is one of the best ways to do this. Teach your child to lather the hands and scrub for a long time. End with rinsing the hands and drying them thoroughly.
- Be prompt to school. Tardiness causes class disruption and loss of learning time. Try to prepare for school the night before by having books packed and placed in a location close to the door.

There are suggestive Web Sites listed under Clover Garden School Title I. Check these out. There may be some informative information there that will be of benefit to you. Also Clover Garden has purchased the rights to Study Island, an excellent program to help prepare your child for NC Testing.

Make every effort possible to attend parent conference at least once this year. The more the teacher knows about your child, the better she/he can help your child be successful. If you have any concerns or suggestions as to how I can better serve your child more productively, please come to see me. I can also be reached by phone during the school day if that is more convenient. My goal is to help your child be successful.

Sincerely, Donna Johnson