



## LITTLE PEOPLE POLICY ON FLU AND COLD SEASON

Cold and flu season brings a wealth of unwelcome visitors: fever, cough, sore throat, body aches, headache, chills, fatigue and diarrhea. In the event your child exhibits any of these symptoms, you will be asked to pick him/her up as quickly as possible.

Please remember our staff cannot administer Aspirin, Tylenol, Motrin or any over the counter pain or fever reducing medicine or cold medicine. If you administer any of these medications to your child prior to arriving at our facility, remember the effects will wear off in a few hours and the symptoms will return. You will then be called to pick up your child and will be asked to keep him/her at home for at least one full day. If your child returns and is still exhibiting symptoms of illness, you will be called and asked to return only after seeing a physician. You will need a doctor's excuse to return your child to care. The excuse must be specific and must state the nature of the illness, the date treated, medication needed and the date the child can return to care. We will call the physician if we feel it is necessary to obtain additional information on your child's treatment or illness.

Our staff must care for all the children in their classrooms. We can provide extra attention for your sick child until you arrive, but cannot provide care for children who are ill. Infection spreads rapidly among young children and to those who care for them.

Please understand that this policy will be strictly enforced, no exceptions will be made.