



Dufferin-Peel Catholic District School Board

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Dear Parents / Guardians,

Last spring, the Primary and Junior Division Assessments of Reading, Writing and Mathematics were administered at all publicly funded elementary schools in Ontario by the Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO). The primary assessments are written by children in Grade 3 and the junior assessments are written by children in Grade 6. These assessments are conducted by EQAO – an independent agency whose mandate is to ensure greater accountability and help improve the quality of education – and provide an indication of each student’s achievement of the knowledge and skills at key points in their primary and junior education.

Your child’s results from last year’s assessments are attached, along with a summary of the school’s results in relation to those of the school board. The information provided on the Individual Student Report (ISR) will assist you in understanding the results. Please note that your child’s results are confidential and did not affect his or her report card last year. Also, if your child was in Grade 6 last year, information about his or her achievement on the Grade 3 assessments from 2014-2015 is also included on the ISR (if available).

It is important to note that EQAO test results are just one source of information available about your child’s learning. Looking at these results can help you to understand your child’s learning environment and to participate in the school community’s discussion about improvement planning. Teachers will also be working with feedback from these test results and from a wide variety of daily classroom activities and assessments to develop strategies for improving your child’s literacy and numeracy skills.

If you have any questions about your child’s ISR or the test itself, please contact your school Principal. In addition, questions regarding the EQAO Primary and Junior Division Assessments may be addressed to the school or to the Family of Schools Superintendent. More general information about the assessments can be found in the “Parent Resources” section of EQAO’s website at www.eqao.com.

As a learning community, Dufferin-Peel continues to be committed to excellence in Catholic education. Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

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