

March 30, 2011

## Dear Parents:

On March 17<sup>th</sup>, airborne mould air sampling was conducted in various classrooms as well as outside of St. Andrews Elementary School. There are no Federal/Provincial regulations for airborne mould concentrations in indoor environments. **However, there are guidelines which dictate comparisons should be made between indoor and outdoor mould levels**.

According to the consultants, indoor and outdoor environments naturally harbor a great variety of microscopic organisms such as mould. Their report indicates that toxic responses associated with mould are most likely to occur because of foods eaten rather than by breathing in mould.

The test results have indicated that **two rooms have levels which are marginally above the outside level**. The recommendation from the consultant is that a **good general house cleaning of the rooms** be carried out in order to improve the air quality within these rooms. This cleaning will be carried out on **March 31**<sup>st</sup> and April 1<sup>st</sup>

Yours truly

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