



## **Blessed Sacrament Catholic School**

October 13, 2011

Dear Parents/Guardians, Students & Staff:

The Board's Occupational Health and Safety Department conducted indoor air testing for mould on the lower floor of the school on October 3, 2011. This testing was conducted at my request to address parent concerns regarding possible mould but also to determine if classes could be moved back to the lower floor.

The tests results indicated that the indoor mould count was significantly lower than the outdoor mould count; however, a small amount of *Stachybotrys* species of mould was found in storage room 105A. As a precaution, the storage room was closed and the Board retained an environmental consulting firm, Decommissioning Consulting Services (DCS) Ltd to identify the root cause of this mould growth and perform the necessary clean-up.

On October 12, 2011, DCS determined that there is no mould growth on the wall, floor or ceiling; however, the growth is associated with some cardboard boxes that sustained some water damage in the past. As such, DCS will discard the cardboard boxes and HEPA vacuum all surfaces in the storage room.

The storage room will remain closed until the Board receives a final report indicating that the work has been completed. Attached is a Fact Sheet on Mould from Toronto Public Health.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Corrado Maltese, Senior Manager, Occupational Health and Safety Department at (416) 222-8282, extension 2665.

Sincerely,

V. Sweeney  
Principal

cc: Chair, Catholic School Advisory Council  
Maria Rizzo, Catholic School Trustee  
Lori DiMarco, Superintendent of Education  
Joint Health and Safety Committees – Support Staff and Elementary Teachers  
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