



Billy Green Elementary School

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Dear Parents/Guardians:

Last spring, students in Grades 3 and 6 at our school, and at every publicly funded elementary school across Ontario, participated in provincial assessments of their reading, writing and math skills. These assessments were conducted by Ontario's Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO). Results for individual students who wrote the assessment last year have been sent home with students.

The following charts summarize last spring's results:

PRIMARY	Billy Green	HWDSB	Province
Reading	80%	66%	73%
Writing	71%	55%	65%
Math	60%	44%	59%

JUNIOR	Billy Green	HWDSB	Province
Reading	69%	77%	85%
Writing	80%	75%	84%
Math	39%	36%	47%

It is important to remember that EQAO results are a snapshot of our student's abilities during one week of the year. During the assessment teachers are not permitted to assist their students. As a result, marks on report cards tend to be slightly higher as they represent work completed over a term, with opportunities for additional instruction and practice to improve final results. Additionally, the results reflect the impact of the pandemic on student learning and provide a baseline from which future growth in student learning can be measured.

EQAO assessments are an important source of information about student learning. Although grades 3 and 6 actually write the tests, preparation extends beyond these years. Our school uses the results, along with other important information, to guide improvement programs and teaching practices so that all students benefit. Our school board and the Ministry of Education also use the results to direct attention and support where needed.

More information about the assessments, including sample tests and examples of student responses at different achievement levels, can be found in the "Parent Resources" section of EQAO's website (www.eqao.com).

Sincerely,

Ms. M. Wilson
Principal