



Date : 18th September 2017
Ref : KJM T009

TO PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN PRE-SCHOOL YEAR

Dear Parent,

READINESS FOR SCHOOL ASSESSMENT

As part of our preparations for this transition year for your child from Sgoil Àraich to Primary 1, I am writing to request that all parents of children in their pre-school year in Sgoil Àraich Tholastaidh complete a Readiness for School Assessment, which is attached to this letter.

The Readiness for School Assessment provides a wealth of information to the Play Leader, Play Assistants and the staff in the school about your child and therefore provides a good basis for which to plan for the pre-school year. Completing it at the beginning of the pre-school year helps to provide a good baseline of what children's strengths are and also specifically what the pressures they may face are. Any gaps which exist in your child's skills can then be addressed in a planned way across the rest of the session. In addition any strengths which your child may have can be built on during the same time. The questions in the assessment are fairly comprehensive, covering children's physical development, social development, language development and children's knowledge and understanding of the wider world and I would ask parents to give as much detail as they feel they can in response to the questions.

This is an exercise which, dependent on each child's circumstances, may be repeated at varying points through the year.

I would be grateful if all parents could complete the Readiness for School Assessment and **return to Anne Ramsay the Sgoil Àraich Tholastaidh Play Leader no later than Monday 2nd October 2017.**

Should any parent have concerns about their child's readiness for school, either prior to filling this questionnaire in or as a result of filling it in, please do not hesitate to discuss these with the Play Leader at the earliest opportunity. In addition, any parent who wishes to meet with myself and the Play Leader to discuss their child's readiness for school is more than welcome to make an appointment via the school office.

Leis gach durachd,

Kirsteen J. Maclean
Head Teacher



