



## Shetland Islands Council

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Dear parent/carer,

There is an expectation from the Scottish Government that the Scottish National Standardised Assessments are carried out by schools for pupils in P4 and P7 with an option to carry out the assessments in P1. These assessments are part of a suite of information that we use to evidence learning and achievement of a level. The data can also assist planning for future learning.

This year we have decided to opt our P1s out of the assessments. We use many different approaches to assess the level a child is working at and plan next steps accordingly for the child to make meaningful progress. We will be carrying out the assessments of children in P4 and P7 from week beginning 26<sup>th</sup> April and onwards. Parents have the right to withdraw their child from this assessment, should they wish to do so.

**If you do not want your child to take part in this assessment, please contact me at school by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April.**

Yours Sincerely

*A. I. Henderson*

Andrea Henderson  
Head Teacher