Good afternoon colleagues

I am delighted to be able to share this Early Years CIRCLE resource with you, created by our colleagues within Renfrewshire Council. I would like to thank Catriona MacGregor (Educational Psychologist) and Fiona Walton (Teacher) for providing the documentation, attached to this email.

The reason for the creation of the resource was to establish a wider environmental assessment tool, beyond that provided by the Up Up and Away resource. You will note that permission was granted by the National Autism Implementation Team (NAIT) at Queen Margaret University in order to adapt the Primary CIRCLE Inclusive Classroom Scale for use in early years settings. The Educational Psychology and Early Years Teachers Team worked together to adapt language to suit the early years context and added an extended planning page at the end of the document. Each environmental area has criteria statements relating to a 4-point rating scale and reflective questions which can support the decision of which rating to give, structured in a way which mirrors the original CIRCLE resource.

You are free to use this resource should it be applicable to your own setting but we do ask that all badges, rights and credits remain with Renfrewshire Council. If you have any questions please contact the service at reps@renfrewshire.gov.uk.