

## **Explanations regarding the sheet “Information on Primary School” for PARENTS**

Individual accompaniment of the education and development of each child during transition to school is the objective. Family home, kindergarten and school are partners having joint responsibility with regard to the child to be enrolled in school. Transition to school is easier for the child if you work well together.

The sheet <sup>1</sup> is a practicable procedure to focus the educational skills of kindergarten and primary school. It makes cooperation easier and if joint discussions between all persons concerned are not possible, in particular (e.g. in the event of a great catchment area of the kindergarten and/or school and of a moving of the child).

- The sheet takes the special interests and strengths of the child into account.
- It also shows what should be particularly paid attention to with regard to the further accompaniment of the child.
- The sheet contains the opinion of parents and kindergarten on the “right” time and place of school enrolment. Educational specialists can observe the child in the kindergarten in different situations compared with the parents at home and vice versa.

Information on the question about school enrolment (question 5):

- The school administration makes the decision on the acceptance to the school. The school enrolment procedure is the basis for this decision. The parents’ request and proposal of the kindergarten are also taken into consideration in this connection.
- Your child should have the time and opportunity to prepare for the transition in the best possible way. If there are different opinions on the right time of school enrolment between you and the kindergarten, this may give the school management occasion to take a closer look on your child and his/her situation and to have a dialogue with you as parents and the competent specialist.

It is a joint task of the kindergarten and parents to fill in the sheet. Transmission of the sheet to the primary school (in the school enrolment procedure) is made by the parents. Both filling in of the sheet by the parents and transmission of the sheet by the parents is voluntary. If the school does not receive this sheet, it may occur that valuable time of early childhood learning passes unused during the first grade.

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<sup>1</sup> Among others, the State Institute of Early Childhood Education, the Federal Commissioners for Data Protection of the Ministry of Education and the Arts as well as the Bavarian State Commissioner for Data protection participated in the preparation of the sheet “Information on Primary School”.