



This is Me





"Ladies"

Introduction

The purpose of the "This is Me" Booklet is to:

- promote an easy transition for children from Pre-school to Primary School
- assist the Junior Infant teacher in getting to know the child
- give parents memories of their child's time in Pre-school

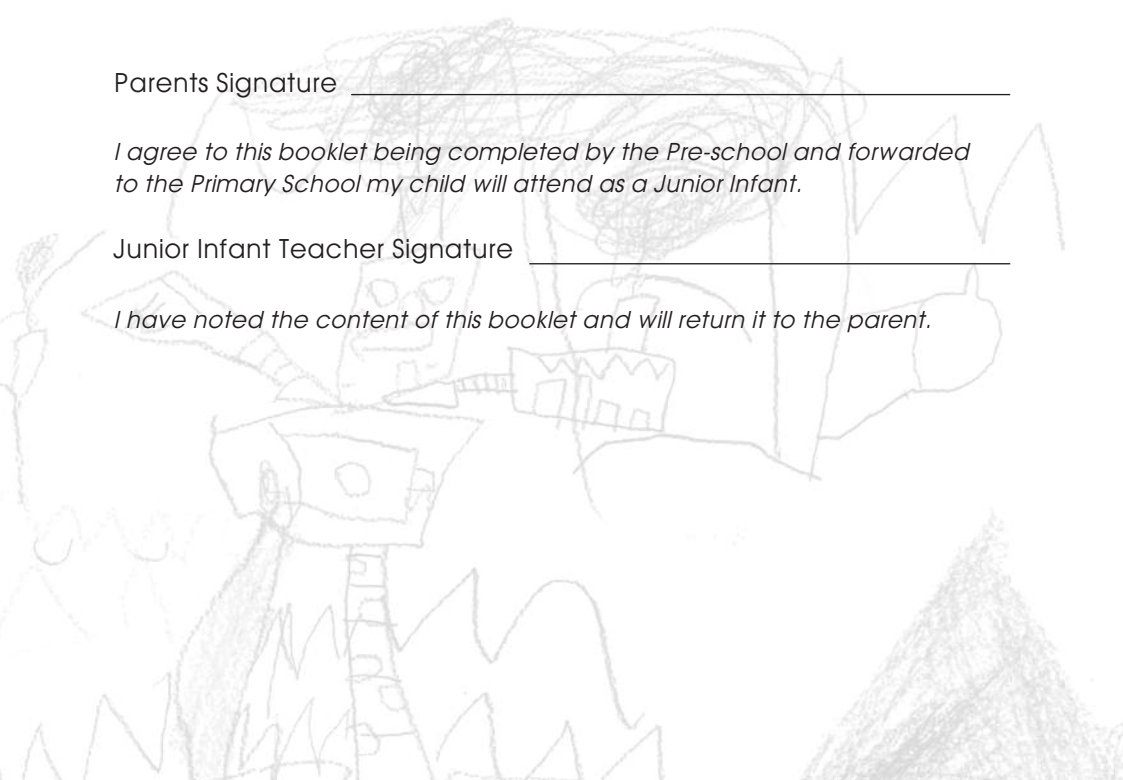
The booklet is based on the Aistear themes and will be completed in the Pre-school by the Early Years Practitioner. It will then be sent to the school the child will attend as a Junior Infant. Parents will receive the booklet from the school before the end of the first term.

Parents Signature _____

I agree to this booklet being completed by the Pre-school and forwarded to the Primary School my child will attend as a Junior Infant.

Junior Infant Teacher Signature _____

I have noted the content of this booklet and will return it to the parent.





A photograph of Me



This is Me

My name: _____

D.O.B. _____

Name of my Parent (s) / Guardians: _____

Early Childhood Care and Education Service: _____

Early Years Practitioner helping to complete form: _____

Date completed: _____

National School: _____

Please get my parent (s) consent before sharing
this information with my new school

Key



I can do it



I am still working on it



Self Help Skills

I can take turns



I can share



I can take part in activities



I can say when I need to use the toilet



I can use the toilet and wash my hands



I can open and close buttons/zips



I can put on and take off my coat



I can open and close my lunchbox



I don't mind changes to my routine



I like to know when an activity is ending



I can say when I need help



I am content in my preschool environment



Fine Motor Skills

I can hold a crayon correctly (tripod grip)



I can use a scissors



I can thread beads



I have good hand eye co-ordination



Additional comments by my preschool teacher



Theme – Exploring/Thinking

I like to learn about the world



I like to explore new activities



I like to play indoors and outdoors



I like to draw



I like to colour



I like to glue



I like to ask questions



Additional comments by my preschool teacher

Theme – Communicating: Speech and Language

I can talk to my friends and other children



I can talk to adults



I enjoy story time



I can speak up at news/group time



I like reading books with my family



These are my words for:

Additional comments by my preschool teacher

Theme – Identity and Belonging

My favourite thing to do in Pre-school is



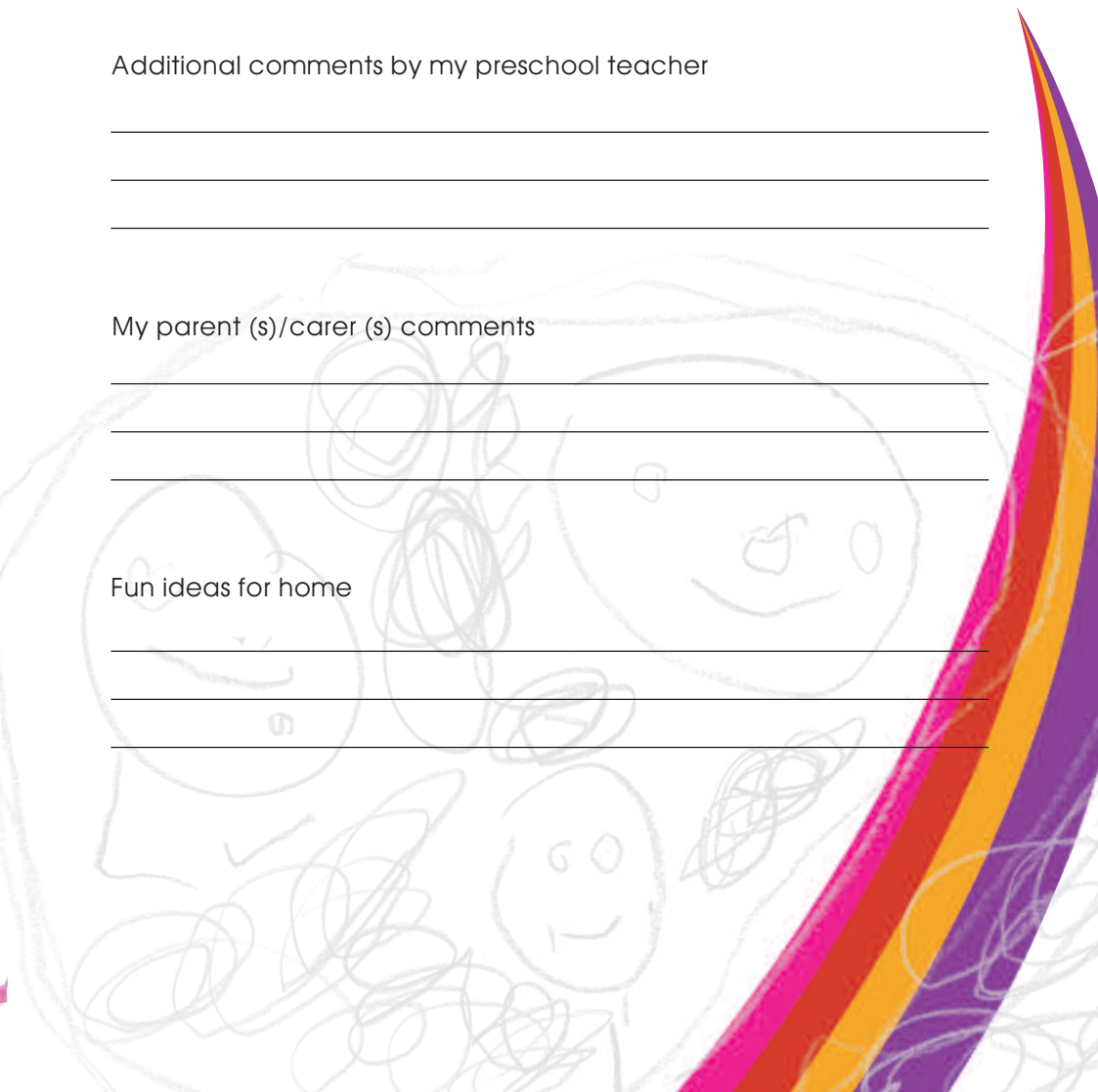
Sometimes I feel afraid of

Sometimes I find it difficult to

Additional comments by my preschool teacher

My parent (s)/carer (s) comments

Fun ideas for home



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