NKPS Kindergarten Readiness Checklist

Personal/Indep	endence Skills
Can your	child?

Go to the toilet independently

Wash and dry hands independently

Dress themselves e.g. put on/remove jacket

Use a tissue effectively to blow nose

Manage lunchbox e.g. unwrap lunch and snacks and peel fruit

Recognise his/her name in print

Take care of own belongings e.g. put bag in a designated place

Recognise belongings amongst others e.g. hat or raincoat

Unpack/pack own school bag independently

Social/Communication Skills Can your child...?

Sit still and listen to a story for a few minutes

Play cooperatively with other children - share and take turns

Wait patiently for several minutes for adult attention

Comply with requests, stop activity when requested

Speak without shouting or whispering		
Inititate and sustain conversations wit	h adults and other children	+
Recite rhymes and sing songs		
Follow a single instruction	No	
Respond to spoken questions		

Gross & Fine Motor Skills – It is helpful if your child can:

Use scissors to cut along a straight line or cut simple shapes

Hold a pencil in an appropriate grip

Draw recognisable pictures of people

Manage stairs, obstacles and uneven ground independently

Use a variety of materials (pens, pencils, textas, paintbrushes) to draw or scribble or to write

Play imaginatively (indoors and outdoors)

Please note that this checklist is a guide and may help you to determine areas in which your child might need additional practice before school begins. Children are not expected to be masters of everything on the list.