



Assessment Calendar 2017-2018

This session marks a period of change from Aberdeenshire's previous standardised assessment arrangements to a National approach. For this reason we will be assessing P3 and P5 children with the INCAS system and then P1, P4 and P7 with the new bespoke National System SNSA.

The assessments will take place in the following windows this session. However, it is expected that once the SNSA assessments are fully in place, teachers will assess pupils as they feel they have attained a level. Please see leaflet for parents regarding National assessments.

In addition, Pupils in Primary 1 and in the pre-school will be informal screened using the Emerging Literacy assessments to provide a benchmark for teachers to plan their next steps in literacy learning. These phonological awareness tasks explore pupils' listening and attention, auditory discrimination, auditory memory, understanding of word boundaries, awareness of rhyme, awareness of syllables. For more information please ask your child's teacher.

Stage	Assessment Window
P1 Phonological Awareness assessment	August 2017 with subsequent revisions throughout term 1 and term 2
P5 INCAs	30/10/2017 – 08/12/2017
Randomly Selected Pupils at P4 and P7 level will be selected to take part in trial assessments between 20/11/2017 and 1/12/2017	
P7 SNSA	08/01/2018 - 16/02/2018
P3 INCAs	05/02/2018 – 16/03/2018
P4 SNSA	19/02/2018 - 29/03/2018
P1 SNSA	16/04/2018 - 25/05/2018

Progress through attainment levels

Early Level	By the end of Primary 1 but earlier or later for some
First Level	By the end of Primary 4 but earlier or later for some
Second Level	By the end of Primary 7 but earlier or later for some