Dyslexia Checklist For a Child of Pre-primary School Age

Dear Parent, are you concerned about your pre-school child? Please remember that this checklist only serves to enlighten you in order to request further investigation. The number of ticks on this checklist cannot be accepted as a diagnosis.

Please be aware that a child cannot be diagnosed with Dyslexia at such a young age since the official assessment consists of reading and writing tasks. A junior assessment is available to determine a dyslexic pattern from which it is possible for early intervention to be introduced.

Reading

- □ Difficulty remembering nursery rhymes
- □ May confuse words that sound similar
- □ May get the sequence of sounds mixed up

Coordination

- □ May appear clumsy
- □ May have a weak pencil grip
- May have difficulty with fine motor tasks such as threading beads
- □ May have difficulty in tying shoelaces

Reaction time

May have a vacant expression when asked to do something because he/she needs time to understand and process the information

Memory

□ May have difficulty in remembering some information such as age,

address and names of friends and relatives

□ May have difficulty remembering simple instructions

Speech and language

□ May be late in developing speech

Spelling

□ May have difficulty spelling own name

Writing

- □ Poor pencil grip
- Difficulty with coloring and drawings

Organization

 \Box Will forget where they put items