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To Primary School parents

Dear Parents,

As you already know, this year there is a new important innovation in our Primary School: from the first term, periodic and final evaluation of pupils' learning outcomes will be expressed in descriptive judgement; this judgment, based on a four-level scale, will be reported in the evaluation document replacing the numerical mark.

Primary school teachers will, in fact, be called to express a descriptive judgment for each subject envisaged by the National Guidelines for the Curriculum, including the transversal teaching of Civic Education. The aim is to promote the idea of formative assessment by focusing on student learning progress as well as on self-assessment.

This important innovation can be found in Decree-Law No 22/2020, containing urgent measures on the conclusion of the past school year and on the start of the current one, converted, with amendments, into Law No 41 on June 6, 2020, set out in Article 1, paragraph 2-bis:

*“ Notwithstanding Article 2, paragraph 1, of Legislative Decree no. 62 of 13/04/2017, from the school year 2020/2021, the final evaluation of the learning of pupils in primary school classes, for each of the study disciplines provided for by the National Indications for the curriculum, is expressed through a descriptive judgment reported in the document of assessment and referring to different learning levels, according to terms and methods defined by order of the Ministry of Education», to reach Ministerial Decree no. 172 of 04/12/2020 (and related Guideline)“*

In the first term, the change to the new assessment system will be gradual. Therefore, it will be provided the general level achieved by the student in each subject.

The learning levels are four:

- In the process of first acquisition
- Basic
- Intermediate
- Advanced

For the moment, we suggest to watch the video “Primary Student Assessment- What parents should know” by clicking the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7bDjgDbITFg>

The speaker in the video is Professor Reginaldo Palermo, a former headteacher, a journalist, an essay writer and a teacher trainer.

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The Headteacher

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