Thank you for completing this form – will you ask you parent/caregiver to sign here

(signature)

(Date)

if they feel that you understand what the project is about and give this form back to your teacher at the centre tomorrow please.

Researcher Name

### What do I do if I have concerns about this research?

Any concerns regarding the nature of this project should be notified in the first instance to the Project Supervisor, *enter name, email address, and a work phone number*.

Concerns regarding the conduct of the research should be notified to the Executive Secretary, AUTEC, *ethics@aut.ac.nz* , (+649) 921 9999 ext 6038.

**Approved by the Auckland University of Technology Ethics Committee on *type the date final ethics approval was granted*, AUTEC Reference number *type the reference number*.**

(This information sheet and assent form for pre-literate children was designed by our Early Childhood Education staff. It seems to work best when printed double-sided on coloured paper and folded like a book, so it looks more like a pamphlet than a letter. It is not suitable for children over 12 years of age and for literate children needs to be used with age appropriate language. Comprehensive information about AUT’s ethics approval processes may be found on the research ethics website at <http://aut.ac.nz/researchethics>)

## Title of research

# Information Sheet and Assent Form for Children

(parent/caregivers please read to children)

This form will be kept for a period of 6 years

Hello – my name is xxxxxxxxx.

I would like to spend time at your preschool/kindergarten and will come to the centre 2 or 3 times a week for a term, about 10 weeks.

When I am there I will do some writing and you will notice me. You will know that I am not one of your teachers. You can talk to me and we can get to know each other. You can ask me about my work whenever you want to. Sometimes I might use a tape recorder or camera. Let me know how you feel about this by colouring in one of these words -

*NO*

*Happy Fine*

*Not Sure*

*Worried*

If you are not sure or worried come and talk to me about it or ask one of your teachers or your parents about this.

I am finding out about xxxxxxx – you might like to find out about this as well. I am not sure how to explain the word xxxx to you.

xxxx might be something you feel, it might be something you do or see. I am asking all of you at the centre to make a video so that I can see what you mean in your centre by the word xxxx. We will all work together on this.

Please circle if you would like to take part in making the video

*YES*

Please circle if you do not want to do this

*MAYBE*

Please circle if you are not sure. If you cannot decide that is fine because you can come along anytime and tell me or one of your teachers or your parents that you want to join in.

This is my photo

(insert your photograph here)

I hope we can do this together. It will be great to meet you and you will know who I am because of my photograph. I will also wear a badge with my name on, XXXX, when I am in your centre.