

## The School and Its Context



Milltimber School is situated on the western outskirts of the City of Aberdeen and is part of the Cults Academy Associated School Group (alongside Culter and Cults Primary School). The school is sited within a green field area, which allows easy access to outdoor learning and physical activities. Opportunities to engage within the wider community is more limited as Milltimber has no industry or shops but very good relationships have been developed with Tor-na-Dee Residential Home and Deeside Fellowship Church. Almost all pupils live in zone, in privately owned or leased properties and the school benefits greatly from supportive parents/carers/volunteers. Well established links have been made with Milltimber Community Association (MCA) and Milltimber Playgroup and both the school and the PTA continue to foster this. The school has a very good reputation within the community.

The school is of an open-plan, single storey design, traditionally providing accommodation on 3 different levels, for a maximum of 10 primary classes and a nursery class. The main building comprises of four separate blocks, each being linked to a large hall. The school grounds contain two all weather playgrounds and a large sports field surrounded by attractive woodland. Outdoor equipment and resources for both physical and imaginative play are also provided to encourage flexible use.

Due to a rising role during **2012–13**, additional temporary accommodation has been set down within the playground area. This has provided the school with 2 additional classroom units. The current role is **227** primary pupils + **39** nursery children. For session 2014/15 there are 9 classes, plus the nursery class (20 children a.m. and 20 children p.m.). The class structure is as follows;

- P1
- P1/2
- P2/3
- P3
- P4
- P4/5
- P5/6
- P6
- P7

The staffing consists of; The Head Teacher and the Depute Head who form the Senior Management Team, 10 Class Teachers- one covering non class contact time, 1 full time Nursery Teacher (job share), 1 Probationer Teacher, 1 Nursery Nurse, 2 full time Pupil Support Assistants and 3 part time Pupil Support Assistants. Visiting specialist staff for PE and Art augments the staff, along with several music instructors for;

- Brass
- Woodwind
- Percussion
- Piano
- Violin and Viola
- Cello and Double Base