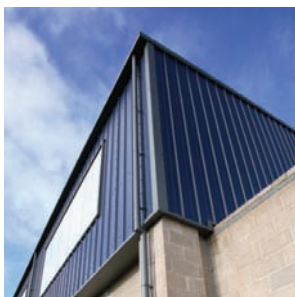




# Education



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CHARTERED ARCHITECTS

In developing buildings for an educational setting, the priority is to create surroundings which facilitate the learning process. Giving young people an academic environment fit for purpose directly impacts on the expectations they place on themselves to succeed. Well designed buildings have a real contribution to make in influencing young people to become responsible, confident individuals. Exposing young minds to good design helps them to appreciate the benefits of academic excellence.



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### Airlie Primary School, Kirriemuir, Angus



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## Extensive Redevelopment

As part of Angus Council’s commitment to enhance educational provision for pupils in the rural areas of the county, Airlie Primary School was earmarked for extensive redevelopment to bring it up to a standard commensurate with 21st century teaching and learning.

Commissioned in October 2007, this project involved a comprehensive programme of demolition, refurbishment and extension of the existing school as well as the design and construction of a new dining and multi-purpose hall with associated kitchen servery, changing facilities and toilets.

The first phase consisted of the demolition of the existing dining hall and its foundations along with the removal of sub-standard previous additions. The brief for the design of the new development included the provision of three classrooms and a nursery along with an ICT suite and resources centre appropriate for modern teaching methods.

Improved thermal insulation, in excess of current building standards, helps to provide a comfortable learning environment and care was taken to ensure that the carbon footprint was kept to a minimum through the use of low embodied energy materials.



Catering for up to 75 pupils between the ages of 5 and 12, Airlie Primary School is an important part of the local community. In undertaking this enterprising project, Angus Council have helped to ensure that this rural area continues to thrive by protecting the educational interests of both current and future generations.