Firpark Primary School

School Profile

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Name	Firpark Primary School
Address	177 Milton Street, Motherwell. ML1 1DH
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Denomination	Non-Denominational, ASN Primary School
Status	Co-educational
Stages covered	Primary 1 – Primary 7
Present Roll	150 Pupils

Location:

Firpark Primary School is a specialist Additional Support Needs (ASN) provision which forms part of a shared campus in Milton St., Motherwell and is co-located with Clydeview and Our Lady of Good Aid Cathedral Primary Schools. The school is within walking distance of the main shopping precinct and local amenities and has good public transport links.

Facilities:

The school was purpose built to accommodate pupils with additional support needs. It has excellent access facilities for persons with mobility needs and all the rooms are situated at ground level. Within the school building there are sixteen classrooms, swimming pool and a soft-play room. Shared facilities include dining room and gym hall. There is also access to outdoor playing fields and all classes open out to an external courtyard.

Pupils and Staffing:

Firpark Primary is a school for primary aged children with a wide range of additional support needs. The school generally serves the Bellshill, Shotts, Motherwell and Wishaw districts of North Lanarkshire.

The current roll of the school is 150. Staffing is in line with authority guidelines, currently 26 full time equivalent teachers including the Shared Head Teacher (with Clydeview Primary), Shared Depute Head Teacher (with Clydeview Primary), Depute Head Teacher, 2 Principal Teachers, Shared Enhanced Support Assistant and 35 full time equivalent Learning Assistants. NHS Lanarkshire provides visiting services including school nursing team, dentist, hygienists, physiotherapists and occupational therapists. NHS Lanarkshire together with Education & Families Services jointly fund Speech and Language therapy sessions.

Curriculum and Approaches:

The school delivers a highly individualised curriculum for every pupil, aligned with the Curriculum for Excellence and the Foundation Milestones. We adopt a total communication approach across the whole school and make extensive use of play-based and sensory learning experiences, ensuring activities are matched to each child's developmental level

Parents and Community Links:

The school encourages positive links with parents and has a strong joint Parent Council with Clydeview Primary. The school is an integral part of the community, both educationally and socially.

Firpark and Clydeview have undertaken a range of very successful joint initiatives with Cathedral Primary and continues to work on strengthening the partnership. There are also established links with the local community.