

# **Your child's Education is at Risk**

## **STOP CUTS to Support for Learning Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistants. ACT NOW!**

Councillors are proposing to slash the number of SFL Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistant in our schools. This will have a devastating effect on children's education in Aberdeenshire. Not only will this have a devastating effect on children's education in Aberdeenshire but it will effect the local economy too.

We must show Councillors that the people of Aberdeenshire will not accept the destruction of our Education Service, nor will we allow them to ignore our children's legal right to the support they need as detailed in (Additional Support For Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 as amended 2010.

Please show how much you value your SFL Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistant's and the essential work that they do to support your children — send the letter on the reverse to your Councillors. Tell your friends and family too, once the service is gone it will be too late.



Each ward has 3 or 4 Councillors, find out who yours are here: [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/councillors/contact/](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/councillors/contact/) and send the letter to each one.

Go to [www.aberdeenshireunison.com](http://www.aberdeenshireunison.com) to keep up to date with the latest information. Contact us if you have any questions and send us your stories on how this proposal will affect your family.

## **Help save Education Services in Aberdeenshire**

**To join Parent Support Group contact Yvette MacDonald at: [ymac77@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:ymac77@hotmail.co.uk) and/or go online and sign the petition: [www.gopetition.com/petition/43478.html](http://www.gopetition.com/petition/43478.html)**

Dear Councillor

As a parent in Aberdeenshire I am opposed to the budget proposals to drastically cut the number of Support For Learning Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistants in all Aberdeenshire primary and secondary schools over the next two years.

I have never been consulted about the effect this proposal will have on my child's education. SFL Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistants provide a vital service which must be sustained to ensure that all children in Aberdeenshire are supported and encouraged to fulfil their potential.

Cutting the numbers of SFL Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistants will ultimately exclude some children from education, which is their right, according to the Education (Additional Support For Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004 as amended 2010.

I would be obliged if you could send me the Equality Impact Assessment paperwork that must have been prepared prior to the decision to propose any cuts in SFL Auxiliary and Classroom Assistant numbers.

I am urging you as my Councillor to take the appropriate action to minimise the loss of this essential service for my child/children.

I would also be grateful if you could confirm you have received this letter and let me know how you intend to act against the proposed cuts to SFL Auxiliaries and Classroom Assistants and protect our children's rights.

Yours sincerely