



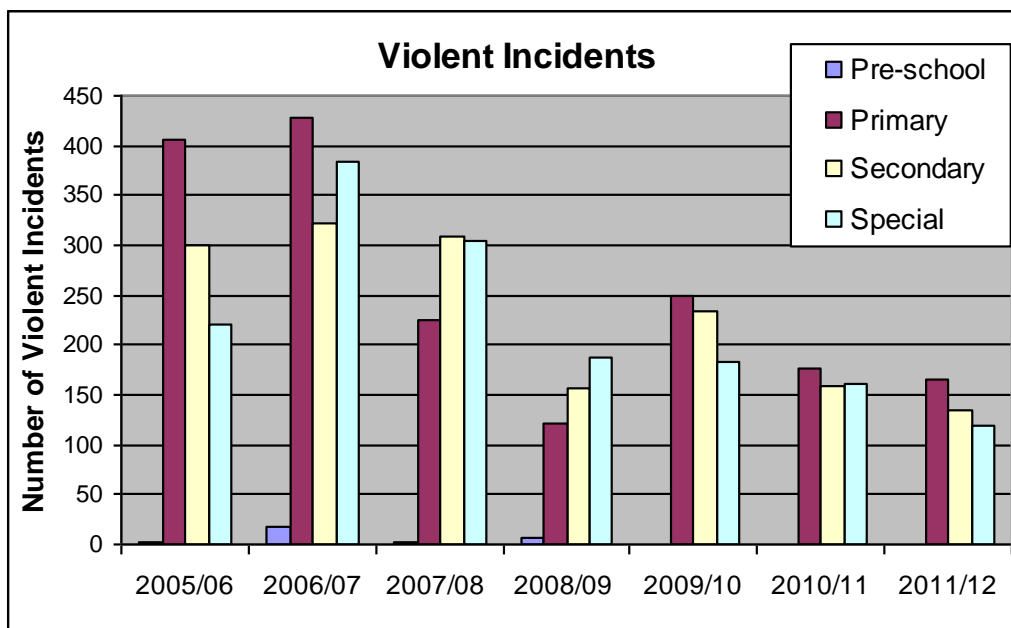
## Appendix C

### Reported Incidents of Violence against school staff 2011/12

**Briefing Synopsis:**

This briefing provides a summary of reported incidents of Violence against school staff in Aberdeen City primary, secondary and special schools for the 2011/12 academic session. The briefing highlights long and short-term trends in performance, identifies areas of positive performance as well as areas where improvements might be sought. The main point of contact for this briefing note is: Reyna Stewart, Development Officer, Policy and Performance (☎523826 [reystewart@aberdeencity.gov.uk](mailto:reystewart@aberdeencity.gov.uk))

	Pre-school	Primary	Secondary	Special	Total
2011/12	0	165	135	119	419
2010/11	0	177	158	162	497
2009/10	0	250	234	184	668
2008/09	7	122	157	187	473
2007/08	2	225	309	304	840
2006/07	18	428	323	384	1153
2005/06	3	405	301	221	930



**The main findings in brief:**

- The total number of reported incidents of violence against authority school staff (both teaching and non-teaching) was 419.
- There have been 78 fewer reported incidents in 2011/12 than in 2010/11.

- 212 reported incidents of violence were against teaching staff and 206 reported incidents of violence were against non-teaching staff.
- In over 98 percent of all reported incidents, the alleged perpetrator was a current pupil at the school involved.
- Most reported incidents against authority school staff were for: physical violence (149 incidents in 11/12 compared to 157 incidents in 2010/11), verbal abuse (91 incidents in 2011/12 compared to 108 incidents in 2010/11), both verbal abuse and physical violence (60 incidents in 2011/12 compared to 68 incidents in 2010/11) and threat or threatening behaviour (17 incidents in 2011/12 compared to 18 incidents in 2010/11).<sup>1</sup>

### ***Primary schools***

- The number of incidents of violence reported by primary school staff decreased by 6 percent (177 in 2010/11 to 165 in 2011/12)
- 82 percent of reported incidents against school staff in primary schools involved physical violence.
- Reported incidents were more likely to involve non-teaching staff (53%)

### ***Secondary Schools***

- The number of incidents of violence reported by secondary school staff decreased by 15 percent (158 in 2010/11 to 135 in 2011/12)
- Most incidents reported by secondary school staff (47%) were for verbal abuse<sup>2</sup>.
- Reported incidents in secondary schools were more likely to involve teaching staff (79%)

### ***Special Schools***

- The number of incidents of violence reported by special school staff has consistently decreased each school year since 2006/07.
- 78.1 percent of reported incidents in special schools involved physical violence against school staff.
- Reported incidents in special schools were much more likely to involve non-teaching staff (76%)

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<sup>1</sup> These figures do not include violent incidents which reported more than one type of assault.

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