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Murrayburn Primary School's project involved refurbishing a multi-use room at an 80-year-old school that adjoined a community kitchen. Its needs were many - it had to be flexible and cater for all ages as a classroom, community space and accommodate families too.

Interior designer at City of Edinburgh Council, Lesley McMillan, has worked with Altro for a number of years, and has recently completed a number of school projects using Altro's Wood range to help 'bring the outside in'. Her belief in the benefits of biophilic design is at the heart of her work with schools.

Altro Wood Comfort was the flooring of choice for Murrayburn Primary School. It was used throughout to not only deliver biophilic principles, but to also maximize comfort underfoot and address the acoustic needs of the space. Altro Wood Comfort offers low residual indentation, allowing furniture to be moved and rearranged without marking the floor. It also offers 15dB sound reduction, which is great for noisy environments. "Many of the children attending the school have special learning needs, so it was paramount that the space was quiet and comfortable with minimal noise," explained McMillan. "The flooring is also ideal for shoeless learning because it's so comfortable to walk on."

The space is comfortable, peaceful and the flooring brings nature inside and creates a wonderful home-like feel. "Having a good, high-quality flooring really lifted the entire room and set the scene for a very special space. It really looks lovely and the color is perfect," stated McMillan.

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