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## PRESS RELEASE

### HOLYWELL PRIMARY SCHOOL RE-LAUNCHES AS WILLOW TREE PRIMARY SCHOOL & JOINS INCLUSIVE MULTI ACADEMY TRUST

We're delighted to announce that after consulting and gathering ideas from the school community, the children and staff at Holywell Primary School, Watford have voted to change their name to Willow Tree Primary School. This change takes place as the school is welcomed into the Inclusive Multi Academy Trust from the 1<sup>st</sup> October.

The school's new name represents their beautiful grounds and is symbolic of the growth and progress that the children and the school will make.

Head teacher Tanya Mortlock said "This is a truly proud and exciting time for our children and school community. Becoming part of the Inclusive Multi Academy Trust opens up a wonderful opportunity to build on our nurturing ethos, ensuring every child continues to receive the very best foundation for their education, and I feel immensely privileged to be part of this journey. With our new name symbolising growth and renewal, we begin a bright new chapter, guided by our school's motto: *"Together we grow, individually we shine."*

The school will host a launch event on 1<sup>st</sup> October to celebrate this exciting new beginning.

**ATTACHED PHOTO SHOWS: Head teacher, Tanya Mortlock, Assistant Head teacher Olivia Gunner & some pupils from Willow Tree Primary School in their new uniform beneath the school's tree willow trees.**

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#### About Inclusive Multi Academy Trust

The Inclusive Multi Academy Trust was formed in November 2016 and is currently made up of three Watford primary schools: Beechfield, Cherry Tree Primary, and Laurance Haines. We believe that happy children learn, happy staff thrive and happy people build a community.

Our schools work together with shared leadership, expertise, resources and efficiencies and deliver an excellent education within a loving and nurturing environment. We see ourselves as a central community hub and strive to provide equal access to education, opportunities, resources and support for all.

The Inclusive Multi Academy Trust has recently won the MAT Excellence Award for Equality, Diversity and Inclusion and was shortlisted for the Tes 'Trust of the Year' Award.

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