

Press Release

Elaine Primary Academy to join The Inspire Partnership

Elaine Primary Academy is set to join the Inspire Partnership in the coming months.

The transfer of the academy from The Williamson Trust comes after talks with The Inspire Partnership about how the academy can continue to develop and deliver the best education for its pupils.

This is an opportunity for the academy to operate within a primary focussed Trust, and the move supports the strategic direction of The Williamson Trust, which currently oversee six schools in Medway. The Williamson Trust has strong ambitions to offer pupils an all-through education where pupils start and finish their education within Williamson Trust academies - from nursery or Reception Year right through to when they leave for further education, training or employment.

Elaine Primary Academy is not geographically a direct feeder school to either The Hundred of Hoo Academy or Sir Joseph Williamson's Mathematical School – the Trust's secondary schools. The transfer of the primary academy therefore supports the Trust's long-term aspirations to provide local families with a consistent all-through education.

Elaine Primary is set to transfer across to The Inspire Partnership during 2018, subject to a successful due diligence process and discussions with the community. The incoming Trust has experience of working with schools in Medway, specifically Maundene Primary School in Chatham.

Mr Vyse said: "We have been working closely with our education colleagues and together we feel the transfer of the Elaine Primary Academy is a positive step for both the academy and The Williamson Trust. We will be working alongside The Inspire Partnership to ensure a smooth transition.

"I would like to thank the academy's staff, governors, pupils and parents for all of their hard work in recent years and I look forward to seeing how the academy will further develop under the guidance of The Inspire Partnership."

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