

**Hilltop Infant School**  
Hill Avenue  
Wickford  
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26<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Dear Parents and Carers of all of our schools,

We are delighted to let you know that the Regional School Commissioner for the Eastern region has agreed that Hilltop Infant and Junior school will join the HEARTS Academy Trust and work more closely with the other HEARTS schools including The Wickford Church of England school which is very close geographically and already shares some families and pupils.

We expect this to happen by the 1<sup>st</sup> July 2017. However, the general election may get in the way of this and it could be the 1<sup>st</sup> September.

Multi Academy Trusts such as HEARTS are set up to enable school to school support and collaboration, the sharing of good educational practice and economies of scale which allow the vast majority of current scarce funds to be focused on achieving great leadership of schools, teaching and outcomes for pupils. Hilltop Infant headteacher is a National Leader of Education and the school is a National Support School bringing capacity and expertise to the Trust. Hilltop Junior also has experience and skills to share with other schools across the Trust.

We understand that structural changes are sometimes a worry for parents and for that reason we are inviting parents from the schools most closely affected to meet with us on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 6.30pm. The meeting will be held in Hilltop Junior School. The headteachers of the Hilltop schools and senior leaders from the HEARTS Academy Trust will be available to answer questions and meet any parents who wish to attend.

If you would like to attend please complete the form below and return to the school office. If you have any questions please submit them by email to [head@hilltop-inf.essex.sch.uk](mailto:head@hilltop-inf.essex.sch.uk)

Please register your attendance in advance.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Young & Mrs K Mackenzie

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We will/will not be attending the meeting at Hilltop Junior School on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 6:30pm.

Please complete and return to Hilltop Infant School by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June.