



# The Leaf Trust

## Belong Grow Succeed

"To provide excellence in Primary and Early Years Education for the children we serve and the communities they live in."



**THE TYNNINGS PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Achieving together, inspiring each other



All feel they belong



All have opportunities to grow



All succeed



## **What is a Multi-Academy Trust & why does our school want to form one now?**

A Multi-Academy Trust is the name for a group of schools who choose to come together to form a family of schools which share the same values and work together to make sure that everyone succeeds.

The schools are still fully funded by the Government as education charities, don't make profits and have all the same regulations as Local Authority schools currently do. Most secondary schools are already Academies, along with nearly half of all primary schools.

**The government's Education Bill has set out the intention that all schools should convert to become academies and join together to form Multi-Academy Trusts by 2030.**

South Gloucestershire Local Authority is actively encouraging schools to do this, and the Labour Party has appears supportive of this plan.

The Regional Deputy Director, who is in charge of school provision across the South West, has said that they would like to see a new Multi-Academy Trust established in South Gloucestershire and support the idea of it being entirely focused on Primary and Early Years settings (instead of the existing MATs which are led by Secondary Schools).

As a group of strong and successful schools, we want our school communities to have full control of our destinies – and we believe that this is best achieved by forming our own Multi-Academy Trust, built around the things which matter most to you as parents: a sense of belonging, opportunities to grow & a drive for every child to succeed.

### **We think more formal collaboration would help our school by allowing us to:**



**Share Excellence** – strong schools working together.



**Extend opportunities** - sports, arts, enrichment, training and provision



**Attract & keep** excellent staff



Learn from **our unique and inclusive school communities**



**Support & challenge each other to improve.**



**Benefit from economies of scale –** making our money go further.

# What would the vision of the new Multi-Academy Trust be?



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**The audacious long term goal** To be the leading Primary and Early Years Trust in the South West and a leading voice in Primary and Early Years education.

**Our Purpose...** To provide excellence in Primary and Early Years education for the children we serve and the communities they live in.

It's why we exist

By combining our collective strength and valuing our unique differences we:

**Our mission...**  
It's what we do

- Provide excellence in Primary and Early Years education through collaboration, challenge and support,
- Invest in our staff so that they continue to grow professionally and choose to keep working in our schools,

... to enable success for ALL

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**Our vision...**  
It's what we will achieve

Everyone will feel they **belong** to a strong community, they will experience personal **growth** as people and learners; everyone will **succeed** through an ethic of excellence.

All feel they **belong**



All have opportunities to grow



All succeed



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**Our values...**  
It's how we will treat people

Kindness

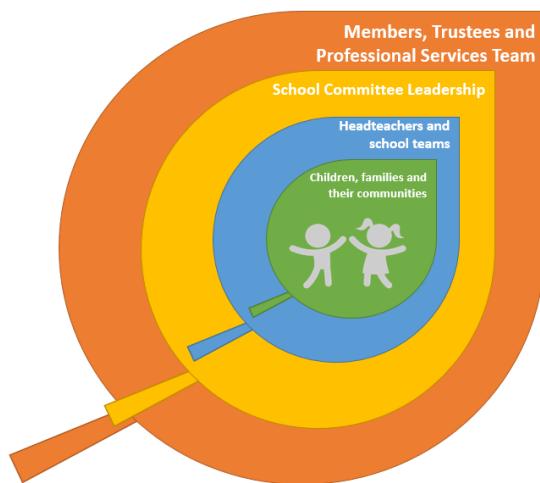
Integrity

Aspiration

# How will the new Multi-Academy Trust be organised?

The core aim of any collaboration is to improve the provision and outcomes for the children we serve. Children are at the centre of our work and there are many layers of support and care.

## Children would be at the centre of everything:



- ✓ The school's unique character is fundamental and would be actively protected.
- ✓ Schools would keep their name, ethos, uniform & curriculum.
- ✓ Schools would keep their existing leaders.
- ✓ Communities would retain local governance.
- ✓ Schools would be supported by a specialist Central Team.

In order to best serve our community and all the children in South Gloucestershire and beyond, The Leaf Trust would be a 'Mixed Trust', inviting Church of England School and Community Schools to work alongside each other for the benefit of all children.

## What would be the guiding principles of the new Multi-Academy Trust?



Primary, Early Years and  
Inclusion experts.

Championing unique schools at the  
heart of their communities.



Committed to an **ethic of excellence**: striving  
for every child to be their best self.



Led by **current school leaders** who  
know their communities best.

There to serve every child and family:  
**Inclusive and welcoming.**



Engaged in developing **world-class, evidence-led  
teaching approaches** shared between schools.

Championing a school-specific curriculum  
which inspires **joy and deep learning**.



Committed to **professional growth  
programmes for staff** at every level.

Every school **committed to helping every  
other school improve and succeed.**



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