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**TEMPLATE PRESS RELEASE FOR OFFICIAL OPENING OF SCHOOL NEW BUILD**

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*[Name of school]* in *[Location]* is holding a celebration event on *[insert date]* to mark the official opening of its new facilities.

The new build includes *[insert details of project]* to allow for the permanent expansion of the school. It will accommodate up to [*insert number*] new pupils and enable *[Name of school]* to offer local places to local children now and in the future.

This school expansion is part of Hertfordshire’s countywide programme to ensure that every child who needs one has a school place as close to home as possible and in suitable accommodation. Over £100million has been allocated by the County Council to expand Hertfordshire’s primary schools in line with growing need.

*[Insert headteacher]* said: “*Insert quote*.”

Hertfordshire County Council’s Cabinet Member for Enterprise, Education and Skills, Chris Hayward, said: “Hertfordshire has continued to see a growth in the number of primary pupils going to school this year and we have worked to ensure that they all have a school place close to where they live where possible. Where necessary, we have expanded school buildings. I’m sure staff and pupils will enjoy and benefit greatly from their new facilities.”

For further information or to make arrangements for photographs, please contact:

[*Name and Contact Number for school*]

**Note to editors**

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