

Dear Parent/Carer

KEMENETH MULTI- ACADEMY TRUST

You are aware, of course, that Penryn College has been an academy since 2011. This means that we receive our funding through central government rather than through a local authority. Becoming an academy has given us greater freedoms and flexibility, has provided more opportunities and helped students achieve more.

Academies are able to enter into formal partnerships with other academies to become Multi Academy Trusts (MAT). A MAT brings the advantages of size, a greater age range and more resources. As now, we would continue to have a local Board of Governors. Advice and support would be provided by our own central support team.

We have met regularly with Governors and Headteachers of Flushing, Mawnan, Mylor Bridge and Perran-ar-Worthal Schools. We have researched extensively whether the education of the children in our care would continue to be improved and enriched if we joined a Multi Academy Trust.

We believe creating our own Multi Academy Trust gives us the strongest possible foundation for the continued growth and security of Penryn College. This is because of we work in similar ways and believe in the same things. We trust each other because we have worked together in the Penryn Partnership for many years. We firmly believe that we can provide children and staff with so much more together than apart.

We all believe that people matter; everyone has something valuable to contribute, whether it is teacher, teaching assistant, administrator, child, parent, governor, trustee or member of the community. We propose calling our Trust "Kemeneth" which means "community" in Cornish. Valuing people is at the heart of Kemeneth because we all recognise that people, their beliefs, skills and talents are the key to enabling children to become better and wiser adults.

We would very much like to hear your views. There will be a meeting on Wednesday 8th November at 6pm at Penryn College to discuss in greater detail what this "greater freedom" means and to hear your views. We hope that you will be able to join us.

Yours faithfully



Henry Preston
Chair of Governors