



# Grade-Ruan Newsletter

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## Welcome Back to a Brand New School Year!

We hope everyone had a great summer break and enjoyed the wonderful weather. It has been lovely to see everyone again and we would particularly like to extend a very warm 'Coverack'/'GR'/'Man'/'STK' welcome to our new pupils, Amber, Caitlyn, Charlie, Genevieve, Jacob, Lily, & Paige and their families and to new members of staff Mrs Talbot Mrs Ruscombe-King & Miss Blee. All the children are happily settling into their new routines and working hard.

I am very pleased to be able to confirm that, as planned, the four Keskowethyans schools have now become part of the Southerly Point Co-operative Multi Academy Trust. This marks the start of the next phase of our collaboration with a wider group of schools. You should have all received the attached welcome letter from Mrs. Donna Bryant, the CEO of Southerly Point.

As ever the Autumn Term promises to be an exciting, busy one – our topic for the term is 'Triumphs and Disasters' and further detailed information will follow shortly from your child's class teacher. Please do keep reading our Newsletters and checking the school website for important upcoming dates.

## School Wall

We are sure everybody couldn't have failed to notice and feel really uplifted at the sight of our beautifully renovated school wall. We are indebted to the Parish Council for funding this work and to Kevin Cryan who spent many days during the summer transforming the wall to its current pristine condition.

## Sunshine Shed

A big thank you to the PTA for funding the painting of the Sunshine Shed which looks absolutely amazing and to Len Carter for all his hard work. What a difference!

## Generosity

Each half term, we explore a different value for life with the children during assembly. For the first half of the Autumn Term the value is PEACE. As well as being a focus for assemblies, we try to instill these values for life into the whole ethos of the school on a daily basis, developing the children's skills. It is lovely to see the children putting the values into practice.

## X-Country

The first X Country event is due to take place next Tuesday, 11th September, at Porthleven School for years 3-6, starting at 4pm. If you wish to pick your child up at 3pm to give yourself time to get there please speak to your class teacher in the morning. This is an event offered by the Helston & Lizard Cluster and if your child wishes to attend please note you will need to accompany them.

## Sports Club

Mr Studd's sports club will be running every Thursday until half-term for children in years 3-6, from 3.15pm until 4.15pm. Please sign up in the office with Amanda.

## What's on Next Week

Monday	Guitar & Piano Lessons
Tuesday	Flute, Guitar & Piano Lessons
	X-Country
Wednesday	
Thursday	Drum Lessons
Friday	Hearing screening for Yr1's
	Sailing

## Diary Dates

24th—28th October	Half-Term
21st Dec—6th Jan	Christmas Holidays

## Sailing

Sailing for the Autumn Term starts again next Friday, 14th September to 5th October, for years 4, 5 & 6.

More information and consent forms will be sent out separately.

## PE Kit

Please can you ensure that PE Kits are kept in school at all times.

## School Office

The school office will be closed from 12.30 on a Wednesday afternoon. The answer machine will be checked should you need to leave a message.

## School Meals

A reminder that the cost of school meals remains at £2.30. Meals should be paid for in advance or on the day. Credit is not an option. Universal Free school meals are available for children in Reception and Years 1 & 2. Please note that if your child is now in year 3 they are no longer entitled to free school meals.

## Music Lessons

Music lessons provided by the Cornwall Music Service Trust will start again next week, with Flute on Tuesday (please remember to send you child in with their flute) and Drums on a Thursday.

Mr Burgoyne will start his lessons the following week but will be in next Tuesday afternoon to offer a taster session to anyone thinking that they may like to start piano or guitar lessons.

If you are keen for your child to start music lessons and would like to know more please speak to Amanda in the office.

## Headlice

Unfortunately we've had a case of headlice reported to us today. Please check your child's/children's hair over the weekend and treat accordingly.

## Collecting your Child

It is really important that we know who is collecting your child if it's someone other than yourself or if you are expecting them to walk home or attend the after-school club.

Please make sure that you inform Amanda in the office of any change to normal collection arrangements.

## Concerns

If you have any questions or concerns about anything at school, in the first instant it is best to discuss this with your child's class teacher or the Assistant Head, Mrs Jane Talbot who are both usually in school every day. Mrs. Sherlock is in school on the following day but can be contacted at any time via the school office or by email - [head@kmat.academy](mailto:head@kmat.academy)

Monday - Coverack 01326 280529

Tuesday - Grade Ruan 01326 290613

Wednesday - St. Keverne 01326 280539

Thursday - Manaccan 01326 231431

Please remember that if you take photographs or videos at school events these are for your personal use only and not to be posted on personal social networking sites. If you wish to share with other parents then please share to the Grade-Ruan facebook page which is a closed group. Thank you.



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Dear Parents and Carers,

From 1<sup>st</sup> September 2018, Coverack, Grade Ruan, Manaccan and St Keverne schools became part of the Southerly Point Co-operative Multi-Academy Trust. As CEO of the Trust, I would like to warmly welcome you into this new partnership. I am looking forward to getting to know your schools and to working with you.

In terms of the day to day running of the schools you will see little material difference. Wendy Sherlock has agreed to continue to be Headteacher for the four schools for the coming term. The arrangement for the teaching staff was shared with you prior to the summer break. The schools will keep their names and their ethos. The uniforms will not be changed, although any newly purchased uniform will no longer have the Keskowethyans logo on it.

In order for continuity of governance, Pam Miller and Tony Sanders (Chair and Vice Chair of Keskowethyans Directors) will join Southerly Point's Board of Trustees. The schools will share a Local Governing Body which will be comprised of the Keskowethyans Directors in the first instance. There will be opportunities for new governors to be appointed in due course. The schools will also have a Forum which will give all stakeholders – parents, pupils, staff, community and alumni - the opportunity to share more fully in the work of the schools. More details of this will be shared with you in the school newsletter later this term.

In the meantime, if you would like to learn more about Southerly Point Co-operative Multi- Academy Trust, please visit the website: [www.southerlypoint.co](http://www.southerlypoint.co)

Pam, Tony and the Keskowethyans Directors join me in wishing you and your children every success and happiness for the year ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Donna Bryant

Southerly Point Co-operative Multi Academy Trust Schools:

Breage C of E Primary, Coverack Primary, Crowan Primary, Cury C of E Primary, Garras Primary, Godolphin Primary, Grade Ruan C of E Primary, Halwin Primary, Helston Community College, Landewednack Primary, Manaccan Primary, Mullion Primary, Mullion Secondary, Parc Eglos Primary, Porthleven Primary, Sithney Primary, St Keverne Primary, Trannack Primary, Wendron C of E Primary.

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