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Dear parents and carers,

Last month, I reached out to you about a consultation on creating an Area Resource Base (ARB) at Newquay Primary Academy with speech, language and communication needs and/or autism.

Today, we have heard that the Department of Education has deferred their decision until Autumn Term.

While this is not the outcome we had hoped for at this stage, we respect the Department for Education's decision-making process. We recognise that colleagues within the DfE were asked to reach decisions within an ambitious timeframe and appreciate their communication with us regarding the delay.

Importantly, this delay will not affect the support that identified children receive from September.

Cornwall Council has commissioned Newquay Primary to establish a specialist base so that children can access enhanced specialist provision, with the appropriate support, while the formal approval process continues.

This means learners and families will not experience unnecessary delay in receiving the support they need.

Please keep an eye on our website Newquay Primary Academy - Home for more information for further updates.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'S. Hildyard'.

Sarah Hildyard
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