



Creation of SEN Units 2025

Date: 30 April 2025

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Possible New SEN Unit at Cheddar First School

I am writing to let you know about a potential and exciting development for Cheddar First School.

The Wessex Learning Trust has started a conversation with Somerset Council about the creation of a new Special Educational Needs (SEN) unit at the school for the 2025/26 academic year and beyond.

The school has identified an area of the school site that Somerset Council has agreed to repurpose into a SEN unit for around six to eight local children that have an Education, Health and Care Plan.

The new unit will be a separate facility outside of the school's normal class structure, run by specialist members of staff and fully funded by Somerset Council.

It will allow children the specialist educational support they require within their local area rather than having to attend a school further away from home.

If you have any thoughts or questions you would like to share, please contact me at the following email address: isquire@wessexlearningtrust.co.uk

This consultation will run from today's date and will close on Tuesday 20 May 2025.

We will acknowledge and respond to all emails received. Any comments you do provide will not preclude you from participating in any further consultation later on.

Thank you for your support.

Yours Sincerely,

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Headteacher

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