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Dear Parents and Carers,

Good afternoon,

As we conclude our penultimate half term, I would like to update you on some exciting developments at Forest Moor School. We will return on Monday, 3rd June, for the final seven weeks leading up to the summer break.

Over the holiday, significant work will be undertaken both inside the building and around the grounds. We are investing in new furniture, doors, and maglocks, and four classrooms will be repainted and recarpeted. The home space areas in Key Stages 3 and 4 will receive new lighting systems with sunken spotlights replacing the older strip lights. My personal favourite addition is the first phase of our new farm, which is currently being built.

The farm will be located on the top field near the new firepits. It will be introduced in phases, providing a combination of therapeutic interventions and group learning sessions. All the animals belong to staff members and community friends of Forest Moor School, allowing us to rotate the types of animals and determine how often they are in school. Utilising nature is a fantastic advantage we have, and it is heartening to see both students and staff enjoying this each day.

As the weather gets warmer, students are spending more time outdoors. Please ensure that your child has suitable clothing, such as hats and sun cream. The school operates a uniform policy, which can be found on our website, pupils wearing knee-length shorts are acceptable and encouraged if overheating may cause dysregulation but we do not allow clothes that reveal the torso.

I hope you have been enjoying the FM Times newsletter that we send out each week. This will continue next half term with a double feature to make up for this week's absence. We review the newsletter with pupils at school, but it also contains information that may be useful to parents.

In closing, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks for all the support you have given your children, the staff, and myself this half term. We move into the final half term in a strong position, and we look forward to welcoming even more students before the summer holidays.

Kind regards,

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