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## Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the end of the academic year, I would like to take a moment to reflect on our achievements together and share some important updates regarding our school.

### Celebrating Our Successes

First and foremost, I want to extend my heartfelt gratitude for your ongoing support throughout the year. Our recent events, including Sports Day and the Senior Leadership Team BBQ, were tremendous successes. It was a true honour to have **Axel Brown**, the Winter Olympics bobsledder, join us as our special guest. These events showcased the vibrant community spirit that defines Forest Moor School.

I am incredibly proud of the kindness our students demonstrate daily, whether it's caring for our animals or showing maturity in understanding the ongoing construction work for our new PE roof. The strong attachments formed between students and their key staff are heartwarming and truly reflect our commitment to nurturing a supportive environment.

### Important Updates

As we look ahead to the new academic year, I want to share some important information:

- **Parent Review Day:** This will take place on **Wednesday, 4th September**. This day is crucial for sharing updates about how your child has spent the summer, signing updated policies, and completing consent forms. You can choose to attend either **in person or virtually**, depending on what works best for you.
- **Return to School:** School will open for students on **Thursday, 5th September**.

### Proposed Timetable Change

I would also like to inform you of a proposed change to our school timetable, which is designed to enhance the overall learning experience for our students. Currently, Forest Moor School finishes at **1:30 pm on Fridays** to facilitate essential staff training. Starting in **January 2025**, we plan to adjust the Friday finish time to **12:30 pm**. This change aligns our schedule with other schools within our Trust while allowing staff to participate in collaborative training sessions that benefit everyone.

To summarise, from January 2025:

- **Monday to Thursday:** School will end at **2:30 pm**.
- **Friday:** School will end at **12:30 pm**.

This adjustment ensures we continue to meet the Local Authority's requirements for a suitable full-time education while providing our staff with necessary professional development opportunities.

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## Your Feedback Matters

We understand that you may have questions or comments regarding this proposed change, and we truly value your feedback. Please feel free to reach out to us at [admin@forestmoor.org.uk](mailto:admin@forestmoor.org.uk), addressed to me, with any thoughts or concerns you might have.

## Looking Ahead

As we prepare to embark on our third year of improvement, I am excited about the many opportunities that lie ahead for our students. Together, we will continue to build a positive and enriching environment for all.

Thank you once again for your incredible support over the past two years. I look forward to continuing this journey with you and your children.

Wishing you all a wonderful summer ahead.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Mr Roberts', written in a cursive style.

Mr Roberts  
Principal  
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