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Dear Parents and Carers,

New Governing Body Arrangements for Forest Moor School

From the start of the next academic year in September, the Wellspring Trust Board has confirmed that new arrangements will be in place for Forest Moor School. The school will be governed by a Federated Governing Board which will oversee a group of schools within the Wellspring Trust across Leeds and North Yorkshire. These schools are: Springwell Harrogate Academy, Springwell Leeds Academy, Forest Moor School, Green Meadows Academy, Penny Field School and The Forest School. It is envisaged that the new Special Free School (Selby, North Yorkshire) will also join this group when it opens. All of these schools are either special or alternative provision schools.

The Wellspring Trust has a long-established and very successful model of federated governance arrangements and by bringing together these schools under one Governing Board, it is anticipated that there will be benefits to all of them. These include:

- Closer collaboration and sharing of resources
- Shared expertise
- Savings and efficiencies meaning more resource to support learners

It is important that in this bigger system, each school maintains its individual identity and voice. To support this, we are seeking parents/carers who would be interested in joining the new board as a parent governor.

If you are interested in this and would like to know more about it, please contact Dave Roberts, via the school office by 28th March 2025

Kind Regards,

Mr Roberts Principal

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