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Dear Families

Keeping our Attendance "Match-Fit" During the World Cup

With the World Cup officially underway, there is a fantastic buzz around the country and within our school community. What a fantastic win for England last night. We fully support our students celebrating this global event and cheering on their favorite teams.

However, this international tournament is going to bring more late-night matches. While we understand the excitement (and the drama of a tense penalty shootout), fatigue from staying up late cannot be used to justify an authorised absence or lateness. For our students to succeed, they need to be in school, on time, and ready to learn. As games get later I will certainly be recording the second half and then getting up early to watch it.

To ensure fairness across the board, our attendance team will continue to monitor lateness and absences closely over the coming weeks - think of them as our school's VAR system (not always very popular, I know). While we want to keep the atmosphere light-hearted, a lack of sleep cannot become a reason to miss learning time. Just like the players on the pitch, our students need their rest to perform at their best.

Thank you for your continued support in keeping our attendance high and ensuring mornings run smoothly. Let's enjoy the tournament and keep those morning alarms set. Like our students we hope "it's coming home".

Yours sincerely

Mr Alex Millican
Assistant Headteacher

