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Dear Eastway Families,

As you are aware, England will be playing in the final of the EUROs this Sunday. The match will start at 8pm and many children are wanting to stay up to watch this momentous game and history in the making. This will obviously mean that many of our children could be up as late as 11pm.

As you will be aware, over the last few weeks, the school has faced terrible abuse and backlash about the unfortunate school/bubble closures and the additional INSET Day being taken before the end of term. Many families have been very upset and concerned about the lost learning time and impact on their children. It would not seem right for me to condone further lost learning time or promote any absence from school. Staff are working incredibly hard to ensure that all children catch up for lost opportunities during school closures and every minute in school matters.

School will be open as usual on Monday morning at 8.45am; staff will be in school and ready to teach your children. I would not encourage children to miss any school but I am also a mum myself and realistic. I know that many families will be watching the football (and hopefully celebrating England's victory!) we want our children to be well rested and ready for school. If they sleep in or you are running late on Monday morning, you will not be penalised. Registers will be kept open until 10.30am and children should be in before then for their morning registration mark.

I hope that you will see this as a fair compromise. I learnt very early on in my career that you cannot please all the people all the time but we can always listen and do our best.

Have a wonderful weekend and enjoy the football! Let's hope it really will come home!

Mrs Morris