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Dear Parent/Carer

World Cup and Attendance

I'm writing to you regarding attendance at Harris Church of England Academy during the upcoming World Cup fixture, and to share some exciting plans we have in place to celebrate this special occasion whilst maintaining our commitment to excellent attendance.

We are aware that the England World Cup match is scheduled for 1.00am on Monday morning, and we understand that this is an exciting time for many of our students and families. However, we wanted to reach out to emphasise how important it is that your child continues to attend school that day.

Why Attendance Matters

Attendance at school is not only a legal requirement but, more importantly, it directly enables your child to achieve the best possible outcomes in their education. Even one day of absence can impact their learning and progress. We know you'll want to support your child's success, and regular attendance is fundamental to this.

Our Suggestion

If you are planning to allow your child to watch the match, we would recommend the following approach: - Ensure they have an early night on Sunday evening to build up their sleep reserves

- Allow them to wake for the 1.00am kick-off
- Encourage them to return to bed afterwards to gain additional rest
- Help them arrive at school on time the following morning

What We're Offering at School

To make Monday special and keep the World Cup spirit alive, we're running some fantastic activities:

Free World Cup Breakfast for all students in school on time. *(available from 8.15am onwards in hope hall)*

- Bacon sandwiches
- Croissants
- Toast
- Yoghurts
- Fresh fruit



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Highlights Screening (*Hope Hall*)

We'll be showing the match highlights throughout the day so students can still enjoy the key moments.

Period 1 Raffle (*for students attending that period*)

- 1 x England Shirt
- 5 x World Cup footballs

We really do hope England performs well, and we'd love your support in ensuring your child is here to celebrate with us.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Yours faithfully

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

Mrs R Harrison
Headteacher