Good morning everyone

There is a definite 'buzz' around school today along with quite a few tired eyes and yawns - and that's just the staff! What a great night - and what a blessing that we didn't go to penalties! I am trying to manage my expectations for Sunday, knowing that Italy are unbeaten for over 40 games and also that we've never beaten them in a major competition. I like the thought of being the underdogs - and you just never know do you?? I am also aware that lots of you will be watching on Sunday, and that you may want your children to be a part of this historic occasion too. I would be the same. For this reason we are planning to have a 'flexible' start time on Monday morning. Breakfast club will be open as usual at 7.30am and teachers will be ready to welcome children into class at the usual time. However, if you have a 'sleepy head' on your hands, and it fits in with your plans, we will not award any late marks until after 10am. But it is your call and it may depend on whether there is extra time and penalties!

We are hoping for good weather for sports day tomorrow. We only need year R children to wear their sports kit to school. The rest of the children will change into their PE kit in school. As you know we are filming the sessions - you should already have informed us if you don't want your child to be filmed. Mrs Mavin is going to edit the films over the weekend, and by Monday they should be available on a secure YouTube site - the link will is on the school website. Because it is secure, it will not be possible for anyone without the password to access it. The password will be sent to you when it goes live and you will be able to share it with other family members if you wish. I would like to thank Mrs Mavin for organising this - it's something of a mission! We will be so glad to welcome parents in person next year!!

Although the Government have said that 'freedom day' is going to be 19th July, with just one week left until the end of term, schools are being given the option of keeping the current plans in place until the summer holidays. We feel that this is the sensible thing to do. The figures at the moment do not make encouraging reading, and our main concern is that families avoid the need to self-isolate where possible. This week, the thing that is keeping me awake at night is the thought of having to send home a bubble before the farm trip! How hard would that be!

So, everything crossed for Sunday evening - wouldn't it be wonderful if we could actually bring it home this time!

With love from

Jacky