

"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE." JOHN 14: 6

Weekly Newsletter



What a week!

The celebrations continued this week as we focused on ensuring a great send off for our Year 4 leavers. On Wednesday, parents and carers attended an emotional service at St. Mary's Church (before the many emotions of the World Cup semi-final!) This was a chance for children to thank the staff that have worked with them and to share their favourite memories of their time here. Following the Leavers' song, children were presented with a lit candle to represent Jesus being an everlasting presence on their onward journey. On Thursday, the Year 4s then cemented their legacy here at Roger de Clare by putting on a fundraiser for the World Land Trust's Operation Ocelot. Managing to raise over £900 in just over an hour. However, since sharing the amount, I am delighted to tell you that we have received two further donations with take our total over £1000! The children will be able to purchase an area of land in Ecuador that is approximately the same size as our school grounds and the community playing fields. What an incredible achievement! Thank you to everyone who came and supported their efforts. Today, we see the return of the very popular Year 4 waterfight, along with tonight's discos. As we move into our final two days here at Roger de Clare, we have a lot to be thankful for. Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs. Woods

Next week at a glance

MONDAY 20TH - FRIDAY 24TH JULY

MONDAY: NORMAL DAY

TUESDAY: YEAR 4 SHIRT SIGNING

SCHOOL CLOSES 1.10PM FOR NURSERY
1.15PM FOR THE MAIN SCHOOL

WEDNESDAY: INSET DAY - STAFF ONLY

THURSDAY: INSET DAY -STAFF ONLY

FRIDAY: SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Plastic bag needed!

If your child is yet to bring in a plastic bag to bring home any completed books and items, please ensure they have one on Monday 20th July.

A message from one of our families

July is Sarcoma Awareness month, this is the cancer that unfortunately took Ivy's mummy, Laura, away from us in April 2023.

**Our story has been shared in the campaign –
[https://sarcoma.org.uk/chris-whellams/?
utm_source=sam26_landing_page&utm_medium=website&utm_ca
mpaign=sam26&utm_content=chris_whellams_story](https://sarcoma.org.uk/chris-whellams/?utm_source=sam26_landing_page&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=sam26&utm_content=chris_whellams_story)**

**And A recent podcast about parenting through grief after loss.
[https://open.spotify.com/episode/100XjbFZIV5OdLhJkpGK5J?
si=ARIBNDgUSkWjnR06svLDxw](https://open.spotify.com/episode/100XjbFZIV5OdLhJkpGK5J?si=ARIBNDgUSkWjnR06svLDxw)**

After a rough start to the year with my back injury, I've decided to finish the year big with my first half Ironman in Weymouth to continue awareness and raising money. Already Laura's legacy has raised over £127,000!

If you would like to make a donation, please COPY and PASTE the link:

**[https://www.justgiving.com/page/chris-whellams-14?
utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL](https://www.justgiving.com/page/chris-whellams-14?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL)**

Chris and Ivy Whellams

Extra-Curricular Clubs

Superstar Sports now run all extra-curricular sport activities. Club details and booking links for the new year will be released soon.

Homework Club runs every Monday. Please email the office to let us know if your child wishes to attend.

Mini -Makers information arrives via email.

Please find links to clubs run by Tiger Cheer

For September 2026 booking:

<https://tigercheer.classforkids.io/> (please note just the one link for all children)



Tuesday 21st July: School closes at 1.15pm

An update will be sent out on Tuesday 21st July with some of the dates already in the calendar for next academic year!