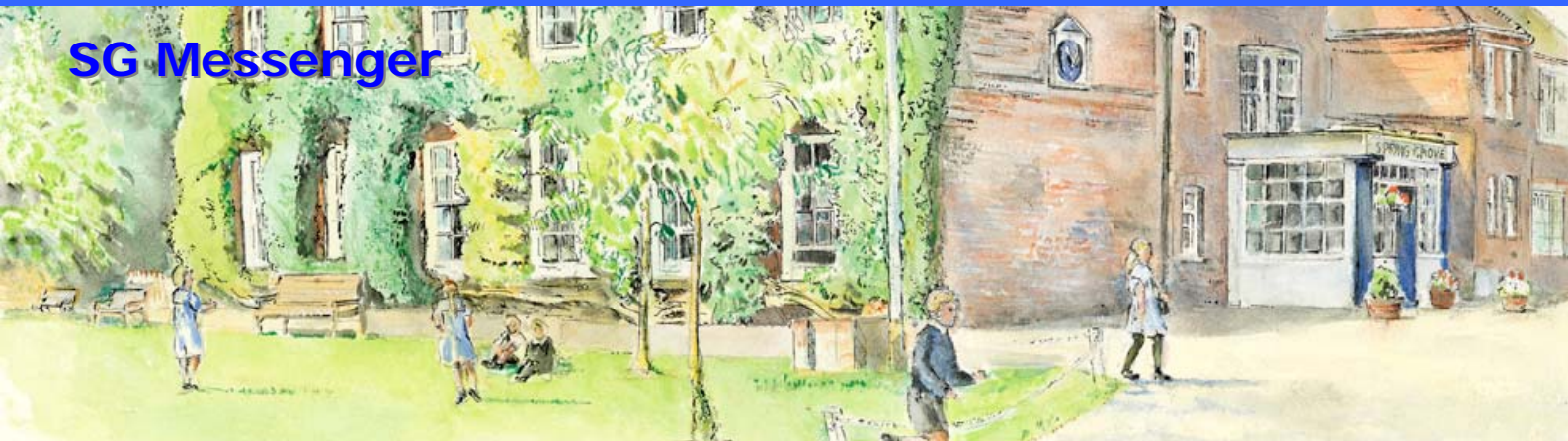




SPRING GROVE SCHOOL

WYE : KENT

SG Messenger



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From the Headmaster...

National Champions!

SG Girls gather gold in Malvern... see inside for details and pictures.



LATEST...

4 Golds, 2 Silvers and 2 Bronzes won at the Kent Primary Schools X-Country Championships (see page 4)

Book Fair

The Book Fair will be in the Entrance Hall until lunch time on Wednesday 16th March. It will open during break times and close at 4.30 on Monday and Tuesday and lunchtime on Wednesday.

Please come along and buy a book. The books are great value and for every book you buy, the school gets some money to spend at the fair. You can also use your £1.00 World Book Day voucher at the fair.

OPEN MORNING

A recent survey showed that most parents heard about Spring Grove by word of mouth / personal recommendation...

In less than three weeks' time we shall be fast approaching the end of term. By that stage the daffodils will be blooming, the sun shining, the school will look a picture! What better time can there be to ask your friends and neighbours to visit Spring Grove on its Open Morning?

Do you know someone who ought to hear about the fantastic education that we offer and about the great start we give our children?



Spring Grove School

The Headmaster and Mrs Jones warmly invite you to

our Open Morning on Wednesday, 23rd March

Please RSVP
Spring Grove School
Wye, Ashford
Kent TN25 5EZ
Headmaster@springgroveschool.co.uk

Date/Time

10 am - 12pm



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SPRING GROVE OPEN MORNING

Wednesday 23rd March 2011, 10.00 - 12.00am

A great place to grow



Another UK Champion...

Last Saturday, Katie Higgins took part in the Pony Club's UK Championships at Adington in Buckinghamshire. She competed in several different events riding her ponies, Hagrid and Hamish. The great news is that Katie won the novice riders dressage against 18 other riders of all ages. She returned to school covered in rosettes!



The shining face of a happy sportswoman...



The Under 9 Boys have really enjoyed their rugby this week. They played two tough fixtures, winning against Northbourne Park and then losing out to the impressive Wellesley team. Champagne moments were the fantastic defensive effort against Wellesley, William Hobday's excellent tackle against Northbourne and the scintillating running and scoring of Yannick de Moubray.





Year 6 Girls
Kent Primary Schools Cross Country Champions 2011



Kent Primary Schools Cross-Country Championships 2011

Individual Medals:

1st: Holly Fielder (Year 6 Girls)

2nd: Harry Linch (Year 3 Boys)

3rd: Anousca de Moubray (Year 5 Girls)

Team Medals:

1st: Year 3 Boys
(Harry Linch, Fred Sharp, Laurie Cobb)

1st: Year 5 Girls
(Arabella Saliba-Williams, Anousca de Moubray, Katie Higgins)

1st: Year 6 Girls
(Holly Fielder, Emilie Knights-Toomer, Ellie Saxby)

2nd: Year 3 Girls
(Tallulah Holy, Lucy Henderson, Emily Beaugie)

3rd: Year 4 Girls
(Jade Curtis, Grace Paine, Polly Langworthy)

Year 3 Boys
Kent Primary Schools Cross Champions
2011



Year 5 Girls
Kent Primary Schools Cross Champions
2011



Amazingly, we improved on last year's excellent performance when we won *three* team and *two* individual medals. Our medal haul today is extraordinary considering the number of schools that took part and the number of runners per race—more than 1000 competitors ran in the 8 races! The three golden SG teams are pictured here. However, well done to all of you who ran. You represented Spring Grove with distinction and absolutely *did your best!*

My apologies for the error in the title of two of the pictures.

See the next page for very important news about our Family Orchestral Day....

GAP Students

Our GAP students Chloe Chadwick and Aidan Smith are available for babysitting. Their mobile numbers are: Chloe - 07508135019 and Aidan - 07816564352. They are both very happy to provide a babysitting service at a competitive rate.

Computer problems...

Evan Jones is a student skilled in Computer Repair, IT support and solving any technological problems. He is presently available throughout the week and willing to work anywhere in the Canterbury / Wye / Ashford area.

Contact Evan for more information or questions at...

Cell: 07513 797253

Email: emj07@ic.ac.uk

For Hire...

Are you aware that the school is available for hire? It is used regularly by Le Samedi Francais, the National Childbirth Trust and Theatre Train. In addition, it is regularly booked for parties and weddings. For Booking Conditions please speak to the Bursar.

bursar@springgroveschool.co.uk

Lost Key

If anyone has lost a Land Rover key please see Margaret in the school office.

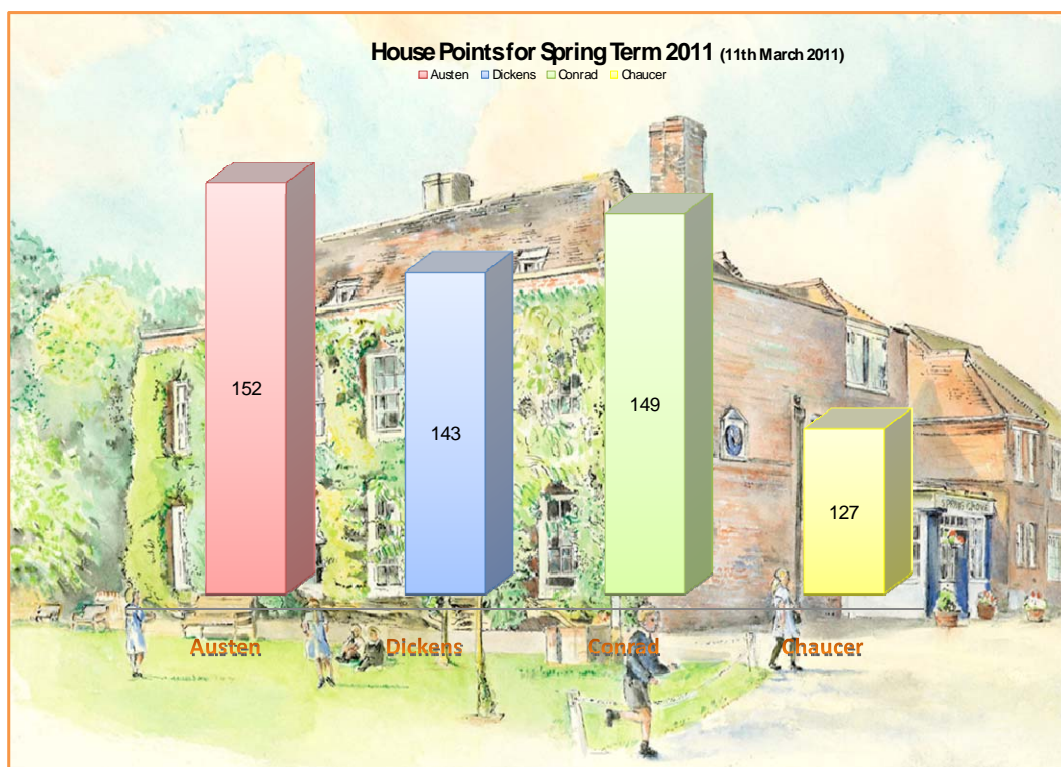
It was so close this week... Dickens and Conrad so nearly claimed Gerry for the first time! Maybe next week?

Well done to all children in Austen!

Competition for Gerry The Giraffe

Up to 11th March

Austen	1501
Dickens	1358
Conrad	1283
Chaucer	1438



Family Orchestral Day: **Saturday, 19th March**

Following the exciting developments of our instrumental music at Spring Grove, we are proud to invite you to our first Family Orchestral Day.

This is an opportunity to meet for extended rehearsals with the aim of putting together a short concert programme which will be performed at the end of the day. A draft programme for the day is as follows:

9.00am	Meet and register in the Assembly Hall, tune up, warm up and prepare for the day's programme.
9.45am	Sectional rehearsals led by music teachers
10.45am	Break
11.15am	Sectional rehearsals continued
12.00pm	Full orchestral rehearsal
12.45pm	Lunch
1.15pm	Warm up for concert
1.30pm	Final Concert Performance

Who is it for?

First and foremost, this day is for all of our instrumental musicians. We hope that the date is already inked into your family calendar. It will serve to boost your child's experience as a player and provide the essential inspiration to practise!

It is also for brothers, sisters, mothers, fathers, aunts, uncles, grandparents and friends of our SG pupils. This is a family occasion and are hoping that some of you who have packed away your clarinet (or similar!) for some years / decades might be brave enough to dust it down and come and join in. Just think of the encouragement it will give your own children!

What are we going to play?

This largely depends on who is coming! We are already rehearsing some orchestral items in our regular Thursday morning sessions but we have ambitious plans for an exciting programme including a composition which we shall create on the day.

The success of the event depends not only on our skilful team of coaches but also on the commitment of our pupils and their families. Please come and join us!

We are asking for a small payment that will contribute towards the cost of the peripatetic teachers who will be helping us. The cost will be £3 per player taking part. To book your place please fill in the form below and return it to the School Office.

Mrs Jones, Director of Music

Mr Jones, Headmaster

A parent recently wrote this short message: *“Just wanted to say what a lovely performance by the brass/wind group this morning in assembly, they all looked like they were enjoying themselves, which was great to see.”*

Booking Form

The following members of the Family will be taking part in the SG Orchestral Day:

Name	Instrument	Age (older family members do not have to divulge this information!)	Standard / Experience
<i>e.g. Joe Smith</i>	<i>Trumpet</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>Grade 2</i>
<i>Aunty Mildred</i>	<i>Violin</i>	<i>=</i>	<i>Grade 7 / v rusty!</i>

Payment (cheque payable to Spring Grove School) enclosed (£3 per participant):.....

Signed:.....

Date:.....

HOLD THE DATE!

Simmonds Uniform Sale	17th March
PTA Cake Sale for Comic Relief	18th March
Lunch at the Secret Garden	25th March
Quiz Night	13th May
PTA BBQ	10th June
Summer Ball	25th June

Cake Sale for Comic Relief on Friday 18th March

Please can you make as many cakes as possible and bring them in on Thursday afternoon or Friday morning. The cake sale will take place before assembly, during break and after school (if they haven't all been eaten)!



Ladies and Gentlemen's Lunch
Friday 25th March
Midday onwards

Last chance to book your place for this fantastic event. The cost is £20 a head to include a glass of sparkling wine on arrival with canapés, main course, pudding and coffee. The main raffle draw will take place during coffee. You are more than welcome to come and join us for coffee if you cannot make the lunch.

Please All cheques to be made payable to Spring Grove P.T.A. and handed into the office.

We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible.

Simmonds Uniform Sale
Thursday 17th March
8.00am - 10.00am

Save on postage and get your summer uniform sorted.

Bag2School

Well done everybody!
We collected 610kg of bags
which raised **£305** for the school.
Next collection is on 27th Sept.



Prize Draw Tickets

We have extended the deadline for tickets to Friday 18th March. There will be a prize for the class that sells the most tickets. The draw will take place at the lunch on 25th March. Please keep selling.

MENU

14th - 18th March

Monday 14th	Sweet and sour chicken with rice Chocolate Sponge and sauce
Tuesday 15th	Beef pie, potatoes and carrots Yoghurts
Wednesday 16th	Roast chicken, potatoes, broccoli Peaches & whipped cream
Thursday 17th	Macaroni cheese & salad Fresh fruit
Friday 18th	Sausages, mashed potato & baked beans Ice cream wafers

Congratulations...

Headmaster's stars

Austen: Maddy Exell

**Conrad: Milo Charles, Arabella
Saliba-williams**

Dickens: Tallulah Holy

Chaucer: Anousca de Moubray

Tennis Player of the Week: Tegan Cox

**Congratulations to: Saskia de Giles
and Katie Higgins for their horse riding
and triathlon successes.**

Supermarket Vouchers for Schools

We are once again collecting Tesco and Sainsbury's vouchers to purchase new sports equipment. Vouchers can be put in the collection boxes in the front hall.
Many Thanks

Diary - Week Commencing 14.3.11

Monday 14th	Book Fair U9 Swimming Gala at Ashford Friars 4.15pm
Tuesday 15th	Book Fair
Wednesday 16th	Book Fair Café de l'Ecole U11 Rugby Training v Dover College and Northbourne Park at Dover College 2.00pm
Thursday 17th	U9 Rugby Training Match v Lorenden (A)
Friday 18th	MAD Hair Day Nursery Assembly Prep 4 to Dover Museum
Saturday 19th	Family Orchestral Day 9.00am - 2.00pm

Lost Property

Eloise Hoyle - Named Blazer
Sofia Harden - Navy Blue Fleece
Harry Linch - One shin pad, Royal Blue
Fleece, Track Suit Bottoms
Elizabeth Drummond - Navy School Coat,
Hannah Moran - Kilt
Austin Moran - 2 navy blue PE tops
Jade Curtis - Navy skort and Football Socks
Sasha Newman - Navy blue PE top, royal
blue fleece.
Emilie Knights-Toomer - 2 navy polo shirts
Emily Stretton - Navy skort, navy polo shirt

If any of these items have been found,
please inform Margaret.

Happy Birthday

Georgia Fox

Martha Dunbar-Johnson

Francesca Fraser