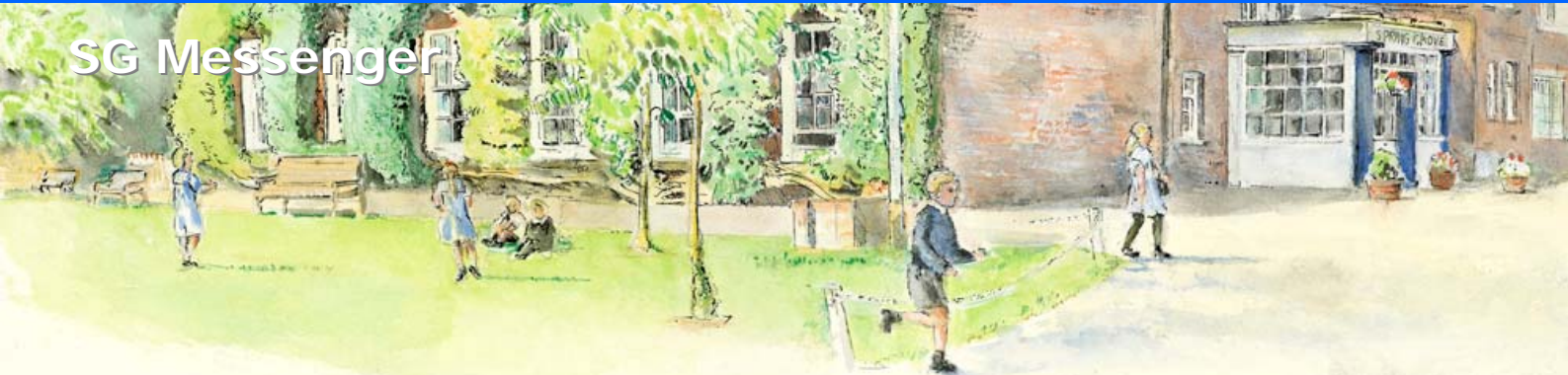




# SPRING GROVE SCHOOL

WYE : KENT

SG Messenger



Friday, 16th September 11/12 No. 3

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## *From the Headmaster...*

### **The Kent Test / 11+**

Well done to all of our 11+ candidates who completed their tests this week following months of revision and preparation. Those not taking the tests were extremely supportive and it was appropriate that Mrs Dankert and Miss Rogers took the whole of the class for a day out to Port Lympne Zoo on Thursday. We await the results of the tests which will be published in October. Mrs Rafferty is proud of her class and now looks forward to an exciting programme of work for the remainder of the year.

Some might assume that on completion of the Kent Test, primary school work is done. Not so. A number of pupils have important tests and scholarship exams ahead of them to their next schools but all of them have the opportunity to develop their skills across the full breadth of the curriculum. Our aim is for our children to arrive at their next schools thoroughly prepared and motivated for the courses that they will undertake. Reports that we receive from those schools demonstrate that we have a successful track record. For instance, all but one of the children in Prep 6 made some wonderful progress in Maths such that they recorded our highest ever class scores in the end of year exams. This kind of performance will provide a fine launch pad into the next stage of their school careers.

Project work in Geography, Science and History as well as French and ICT are included within the year's work; the children have a chance to gain their bronze, silver and gold awards in our own SG Challenge Award scheme and, at the end of the year, they will enjoy an exciting trip to Wales and the chance to star in our end of year show. I am hoping that this year's Prep 6 are able to relish the challenges of the year ahead and really enjoy the many opportunities that will come their way.

*Please note that the 11+ Evening for this year's Prep 5 parents takes place on Monday, 26th September at 7.00pm.*

## *Getting down to work in Reception*



*Inspired by the building work now nearing completion in nursery and perhaps by Mr Turner's maintenance work around the school, our new Reception boys have been busy "painting" their play house. The girls are cleaning the furniture. No stereotyping here then!*



## ***School Photographs***

We have school individual photographs next Monday (19th). Please send your children in in their smartest uniform. They can wear either summer or winter uniform. If you have more than one child at school and are expecting a sibling group photograph it would of course be sensible for the children to be wearing the same uniform.

### **Year 2**

Year 2 children should come to school in their uniform and bring their PE kit in with them.

### **Teddies and Nursery**

All children in Teddies and Nursery who do not normally come in on a Monday are very welcome

## ***Clubs / Activities***

There are still lots of outstanding payments for clubs. Tennis Club cheques should be made payable to Spring Grove School for £50.00 per child and Cricket Club cheques should be made payable to Active Cricket for £50.00. All school clubs are £36.00 and cheques should be payable to Spring Grove School. Please send in your payments to Mrs Read in the school office at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

## **Football**

Our football season continued with some excellent matches at both under 11 and 9 levels. An extraordinary match took place at Kent College where our Under 11s quickly fell behind by 2 goals. They came back to draw level but then lost concentration and were seemingly beaten when the score stood at 5-2. The determination that was evident in their scoring 4 goals in the last few minutes shows the growing confidence and skill of the squad. Both Fred Sharp and Sam Brooks scored hat-tricks in their thrilling 6-5 win. Well done to you all!

The Lorenden Under 9 A and Bs were our visitors on Thursday and helped to provide the appreciative crowd a thoroughly entertaining hour of football. Our B Team reporter, George Fenwick, wrote about the very exciting B team game in which Spring Grove won by a single goal.

Captain Fred Sharp writes the following about his A contest: “Early on, I managed to dribble through and score. It was a close, tough match against a well-organised Lorenden team. Despite some good defending from Yannick and Rowan and good midfield play from Jago and Ollie Marsh, Lorenden fought back to take a 2-1 lead at half time. Arun was a great goalie and he did some big kicks! I scored another goal in the second half but so did Lorenden and the final score was 3-2 to them! All in all, a good start for our team—and watch out next time, Lorenden, for our comeback!”



*Mr Williams' Under 11s before their first match of the season.*

## HOLD THE DATE

PTA Meeting (after assembly)  
Bag2School

23rd September  
27th September

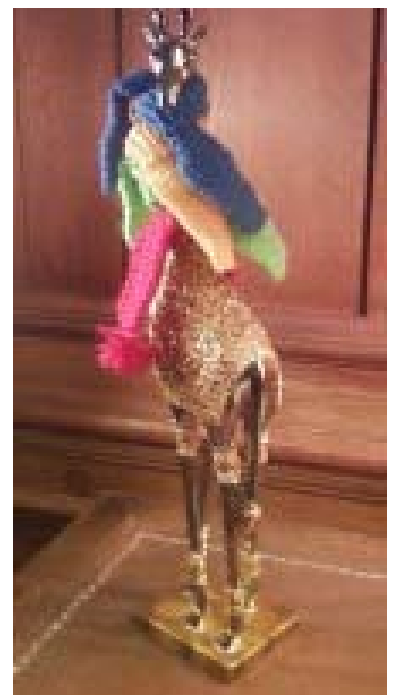
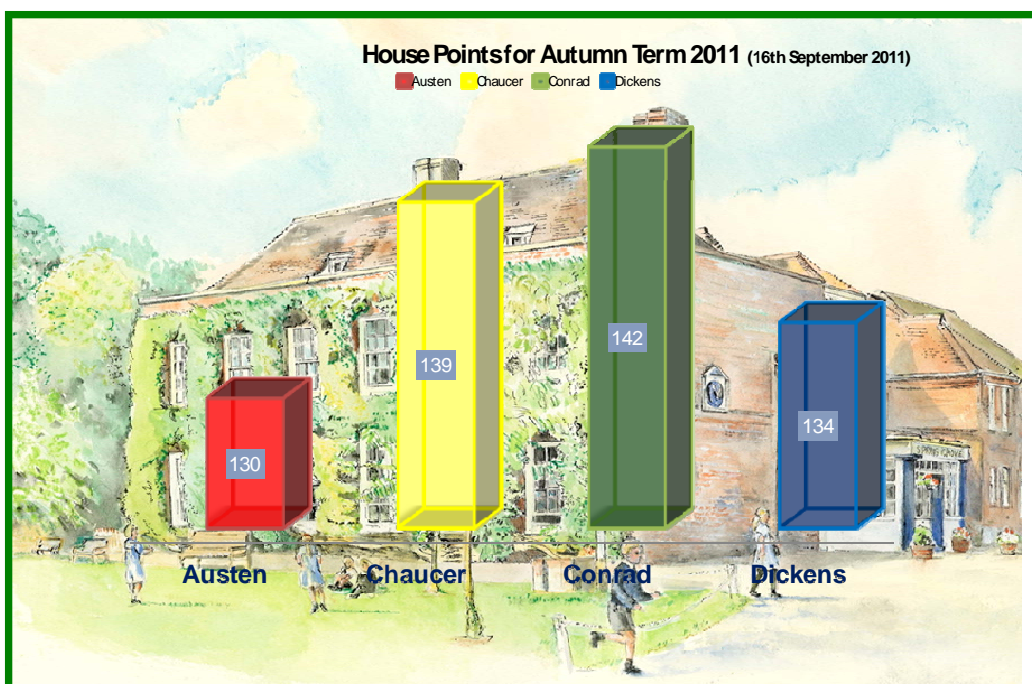


### PTA BBQ

Thank you to everyone who attended the BBQ. It was a super evening and we raised lots of money for the school. Amount to be announced next week.

We also raised nearly £300.00 at our uniform sale. This is a very worthwhile event so if you have any second-hand uniform still at home then please bring it in for our next sale.

Bag2School bags will be distributed next week. Please start to gather any old clothes you have as the more bags we have the more money we receive.



*Well done to CONRAD HOUSE for winning Gerry the Giraffe this week.*

