

# THORNGROVE NEWSLETTER

13th May 2011

Our **Open Morning** for prospective parents is next week on **Friday 20th May between 9.00am-11.00am**. Please remind friends and family that they are welcome to join us for a tour of the school and a showcase. At the moment the school grounds look amazing. Although the weather has helped, Sean Roberts and Matt Barrett have worked tirelessly to make the school look beautiful. I felt very privileged and proud on Wednesday, watching all the boys and girls playing their matches on such well groomed pitches.

**Geraldine McCaughrean**, the children's author, has been here today. She gave a spellbinding assembly to all the children and then children in Forms 7-9 took part in writing workshops. Her fun, bubbly character was certainly a hit and the children obviously enjoyed her entertaining sessions. It's lovely for the children to meet a published author and ask her questions about the art of writing and being a famous author. She lives locally and has actually been shortlisted for the 2011 Carnegie Medal for her latest book 'The Death Defying Pepper Roux'.

The local **Fire Service** visited us on Thursday and the children in the Middle School were able to 'go aboard' an interactive bus to learn about fire safety and looking after themselves. I am sure the children were full of good advice when they returned home and probably had you checking your fire alarms!

It was lovely to host the **Inter-school Relays** on Tuesday. Six local primary schools competed against our boys and girls in a competitive event. Well done to Catherine Sawyer for coming third in the girls' cross-country and Sam Clarke for winning the boys' event.

The FOT are holding a **family fun sports day** on Saturday 21st May between 11.00am-2.30pm. To attract more families we've decided to make it **FREE** and instead ask for contributions on the day. I do hope that this will entice more people to support what I am sure will be a fantastic event.

Other FOT dates for your diary:

'Colours Event' for mums	15th June at 7.30pm (details to follow shortly)
Christmas Fair	13th November between 2-5pm

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Next week is a busy one with trips to the Houses of Parliament (F6), The Living Rainforest (F3), Highclere Castle (F5) and the Chamber Choir singing Evensong at Burghclere Church next Sunday (22nd).

I do hope you have a pleasant and relaxing weekend.

Kind regards,

Adam King  
(Headmaster)



**Geraldine McCaughrean with children in Form 9**

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## GIRLS' RESULTS

### **Rounders**

U10 rounders v St Francis lost 6 ½ – 8 ½

U12/11 rounders v Cheam 4ths won 8- 7 ½

U13 rounders v Cheam 3rds drew 9 ½ - 9 ½

### **Tennis**

#### ***V Marlston House***

Under 11A Won 4 – 0 (20 -3)

Under 10A Won 4 – 0 (20 – 6)

#### ***V Farleigh***

Under 13A Won 3 – 1 (19-16)

Under 11A Lost 0 – 4 (8 – 20)

## BOYS' TENNIS

### **U13 A VI v. Farleigh A**

G.Knight & U.Wallace

F.Bolkiah & M.Mortimer

A.Forsyth & B.Cheesman

### **Won by 5 matches to 4**

Won 3 matches Lost 0

Won 2 matches Lost 1

Won 0 matches Lost 3

### **U13A VI v. Brockhurst A**

Singles: G.Knight **Won 6-0**

Doubles: F.Bolkiah & B.Cheesman

### **Won by 6 matches to 0**

U.Wallace **Won 6-0**

A.Forsyth **Won 6-1**

B.Cheesman **Won 6-4**

**Won 6-0 and Won 6-2**

### **U11 A VI v. Chandlings Manor**

### **Lost 3-6 on sets (24-43 on games)**

#### **v. pair 1**

#### **v. pair 2**

#### **v. pair 3**

B.Knight & S.Warren

Lost 3-6

Lost 1-6

**Won 6-3 (10-15)**

G.Tanner & F.Mitchell

Lost 0-6

**Won 6-4**

**Won 6-0 (12-10)**

W.Hebbes & D.Ferradaz

Lost 0-6

Lost 0-6

Lost 2-6 **(2-18)**

### **U8 A IV v. Chandlings Manor**

R.Mitchell Lost 0-10, 3-10

**Won 10-8, 10-8**

H.Cardno Lost 3-10, 1-10

**Won 10-7, 10-6**

### **Lost 3-6 on matches**

F.Hart

Lost 8-10, 8-10

Lost 1-10, 7-10

A.Dean-Evans Lost 5-10, 6-10

Lost 4-10, 5-10

R.Mitchell & F.Hart

**Won 10-5, 10-7**

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## **BOYS' CRICKET**

### **1<sup>st</sup> XI v. Horris Hill 1<sup>st</sup> XI**

HH: 115-1 (20 overs) Knight 1-29  
TH: 86-7 (20 overs) Mills 36\* & Mortimer 10  
**Lost by 29 runs**

### **2<sup>nd</sup> XI v. Horris Hill 3<sup>rd</sup> XI**

HH: 120-2 (20 overs) Taucher & Wood 1 wicket each  
TH: 45 all out (16 overs)  
**Lost by 75 runs**

### **U11A XI v. Horris Hill A**

TH: 101-8 (20 overs) Riley 45\* & Knight 27  
HH: 102-3 (16.4 overs) Riley 2-11 & Tanner 1-15  
**Lost by 7 wickets**

### **U11B XI v. Crosfields U10B**

CR: 75-9 (20 overs) Fanning 2-6, Stevens 2-8, Cardno, Lynas, Beresford, Spring & Hassall 1 wkt each  
TH: 71-5 (20 overs) Bailes 10\*, Spring 8\* & Fanning 6\*  
**Lost by 4 runs**

### **U11C XII v. Elstree C**

TH: 257-5  
EL: 371-0  
**Lost by 114 runs**

### **U8A X Pairs v. Magdalen College**

TH: 259-5  
MCS: 274-0  
**Lost by 15 runs**

## **U8 & U9 Relay & Cross Country Event @ Thorngrove**

### **Schools competing:**

Thorngrove A, B, C & D, Falkland, Ecchinswell, Chieveley, Curridge, Hermitage & St. Nicolas

### **U8 Boys Final**

1<sup>st</sup> Falkland  
2<sup>nd</sup> Hermitage  
3<sup>rd</sup> Thorngrove  
4<sup>th</sup> Curridge

### **U8 Girls Final**

1<sup>st</sup> Falkland  
2<sup>nd</sup> Curridge  
3<sup>rd</sup> Chieveley  
4<sup>th</sup> Hermitage

### **U9 Boys Final**

1<sup>st</sup> Falkland  
2<sup>nd</sup> Curridge  
3<sup>rd</sup> St.Nic's  
4<sup>th</sup> Thorngrove

### **U9 Girls Final**

=1<sup>st</sup> Thorngrove  
=1<sup>st</sup> Falkland  
3<sup>rd</sup> St.Nic's  
4<sup>th</sup> Thorngrove B

### **Cross Country (70 runners in each race)**

#### **U8/9 Boys**

1<sup>st</sup> Sam Clarke  
2<sup>nd</sup> Archie Hutcheson  
3<sup>rd</sup> Charlie Newell

Thorngrove  
Chieveley  
St.Nic's

#### **U8/9 Girls**

1<sup>st</sup> Kiera Angell  
2<sup>nd</sup> Caitlin Nowell  
3<sup>rd</sup> Catherine Sawyer  
Falkland  
Chieveley  
Thorngrove