



Newsletter

November 2024

Speldhurst CE Primary
School

Newsletter Date
Friday 22nd November 2024

Dates

November

Wednesday 27th

Girls football away @Temple Grove

Thursday 28th

Flu vaccinations

Boys football away @SKA

Friday 29th

Christmas wreath workshops

December

Monday 2nd

PTA Christmas Jumper sale

Wednesday 4th

Christmas wreath workshops

Friday 6th

PTA Own Clothes Day

Year 6 Christmas Experience @St Mary's Church

Crispin Class Cake Sale

PTA Christmas Jumper sale

Tuesday 10th

PTA Pantomime

Wednesday 11th

Y5/6 Athletics Competition

Thursday 12th

9.30am– Nativity

2.15pm– Guitar and Drums Concert

Friday 13th

9.30am– Nativity

Monday 16th

PTA Santa's Grotto

With just four weeks until the end of term and with cooler weather this week, it seems Christmas is just around the corner. As always, this term is full of special events so please make sure you've noted down all the dates in your diary. Don't forget, our website is a great way to keep up to date with diary dates and your child's Class Site is the best way to keep up with what has been going on in classrooms. Please make sure your child has a coat as we always try to get the children outside at breaktime if we can! Don't forget to add their names to any item of clothing....

Our Amazing PTA!

Thank you to all involved in organising the annual Bonfire and Fireworks event on Saturday 9th November. An incredible £7678 was raised, smashing all previous records. The PTA Quiz was a huge success also, raising over £650 and providing a great evening of entertainment. This money will make a real difference to the children and we are so grateful for our wonderful PTA, and everyone who supports these brilliant events.

The fine work of our PTA has quite rightly been recognised in the National PTA Awards 2024. Speldhurst CE Primary School PTA were this week announced as the winners of the 'Changing the Life of the School' award for their work raising money for the school kitchen and the arts space. Chair of the PTA, Becky Willis, accepted the award on behalf of everyone involved and she thanked everyone who has helped, and continues to help, make our PTA so successful.

If you would like to get involved with the PTA, please speak to the office team who will point you in the right direction.

Wednesday 18th

Christmas Lunch

Friday 20th

2pm– KS2 Carol Service

END OF TERM 2

January

Monday 6th

INSET Day

Tuesday 7th

Start of Term 3

Music at Speldhurst School

Our wonderful orchestra played for the school in assembly last week and put on a great show as always. The orchestra, led by Yvonne Smith, meet each Wednesday morning before school. If your child would like to get involved, please contact the office to find out more.

Mrs Partidge is running a Year 6 Chamber Choir and this term they are busy preparing to make our Carol Service even more special. As well as this, the School Choir meet each week to rehearse in the Arts Space. We are so proud of our music offer at Speldhurst School.



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Sports Results

Football

Speldhurst Boys 5-0 St Peters

Speldhurst Girls 7-0 St Marks

Netball

St Peters 3-4 Speldhurst

Basketball

Our basketball team competed in the annual tournament and performed brilliantly, gaining a top half finish out of 16 teams.

Cross Country

The running teams performed well at the first race of the season with one of our Year 5/6 teams finishing 7th out of 22 teams, and our Year 3/4 team finishing 5th out of 17 teams.

Well done to all who have competed recently and a big thank you to the staff and parents who make this all possible. Don't forget, if your child takes part in sport outside of school, please email photographs to: pe@speldhurst.kent.sch.uk and we will add them to our Sports Board!



Posada

Every year St Mary's organises a Posada for the church community. This celebration remembers the journey Mary and Joseph made from Nazareth to Bethlehem. The little figures of Mary and Joseph start their journey in church on the first Sunday in advent, and spend 24 hours with a family before being passed on to the next. This year, the figures will spend some time in school with each class in the last week of term. Finally, they come back to church on Christmas morning.

Amazon Wish Lists

Look out for an email from the office regarding Amazon wish-lists for each class. These have been set up to give parents the chance to help provide our children with some useful resources and special items to help their learning and development. We are so grateful for your continued support and it has been great to see parents and other family members already purchasing things using the wish lists.

Midday Meals Supervisor Needed!

We are in need of an extra member of our lunchtime supervision team. The role is term-time only, 5 days a week, between the hours of 11am and 1pm.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in this role, please ask them to call or email the office to find out more.

Forest School Gazebo

Mr Steibelt and Mrs Partridge are currently busy with the process of seeking planning for a gazebo-style shelter to enhance our Forest School area. Watch this space for more info!