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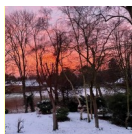
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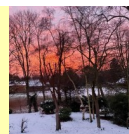
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Welcome!



Dear Readers,

Unbelievably, we find ourselves at another year's end and heading into 2026! Although we look to the New Year for hopeful changes, we've had some incredible ones in the last few months. Locally, our new Community Shop, Post Office and Community Space has been opened and stands out as a massive achievement for all those involved and a wonderful addition to the village, from which we can all benefit - more details on Pages 6 & 7. The Parish also has a new Rector, who I'm sure we will be hearing more about soon. Also, the recently formed Speldhurst Parish History Society has just carried out its first archaeological dig in the Parish - read more about that on Page 18. Enclosed are lots of details about a variety of festive fun and, if you still have time on your hands, one of our readers has supplied a lovely chutney recipe on Page 20. All the regulars are also here - thank you to them for supplying their wonderful and insightful articles each month. At the end of another busy year, I'd also like to thank our distributors who deliver the magazine for us.

Wishing everyone a very Happy Christmas and New Year!



Maria Turner

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News & Events



What's on in Speldhurst for the Under 5's in December & January

Do you have a child under 2? If so, you may like to join Bumps and Babes, the fortnightly coffee mornings for new Mums. We meet in each other's homes on a Monday morning from about 10.30am. Do message Jenny if you are interested in joining the group.

Praise and Play, St Mary's Toddler Group meets on Wednesdays from 9.30 am and on Fridays from 9am in St Mary's Church. Leading up to Christmas we'll have the usual playtime together and then tell the Christmas story using our lovely, knitted nativity figures. Our last meetings before Christmas are on Wednesday 10th & Friday 12th December. Come the New Year we'll begin again on Wednesday 7th & Friday 9th January. All families with Under 5's welcome.

All village families are invited to St Mary's annual Crib Service which is very suitable for under 5's. The children of the village re-enact the story of the first Christmas making it a perfect beginning to your Christmas celebrations. It is being held on Wednesday 24th December at 3pm and 4pm, the earlier one usually being the quieter one.

For more information contact Jenny Fitzsimmons on 07891 318123 or at jenny50fitz@gmail.com

Speldhurst Association of Men

We are a group of men based in Speldhurst. We meet on the third Tuesday of the month and have a varied programme of events. These vary from activities such as indoor bowls and croquet to visits to places of interest. In 2025 for example we visited Buckhurst Park and the Bluebell Railway. Our meetings always end with a pub lunch.

We are keen to have new members join our group, so if you are interested please contact me either by phone on 01892 862301 or by email at briantasker5@gmail.com

Brian

A heartfelt thanks from Speldhurst village

..to all those who have played their part, big or small, in ensuring that Speldhurst has a wonderful community shop and post office in the heart of the village, now in the fabulously refurbished chapel. What a fantastic amenity! It's a HUGE privilege to live in a village where people are willing to give so generously of their time, energy, expertise, money and muscle power - THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Julie and Edward Pinnell

As the year draws to a close, we know that we must say 'au revoir', but not 'adieu' to two special neighbours and friends, Julie and Edward Pinnell, and wish them all the very best as they start the next stage of their lives in Devon. Julie and Edward are among the kindest people we have ever met. Julie's boundless energy giving hundreds (thousands??!) of hours to Speldhurst Parish Church, our village shop, making the most



wonderful cakes for children who would otherwise not be lucky enough to have a birthday cake, packing Christmas shoe boxes and dispatching them to Africa, singing in the choir, running creative workshops, all whilst managing a family, wears us out even thinking about it all! And we know that, over the many years we have known Julie, we have forgotten some of the acts of kindness you have shown to us, as well as so many other friends, families and even strangers.

Edward, thank you for all your work in ensuring our wonderful village secured a community shop for the future. Working full-time in Paris and London, whilst setting up the framework for the shop must have been extremely challenging, incredibly time consuming and required endless patience. We appreciate there has been help along the way, but you were instrumental as Chair of the working committee in making sure everything ran so smoothly. Somehow, with your enormous workload, you still found time to volunteer in the shop as well. It was a delight to see many people at the official opening of this fabulous new facility, and we are so pleased you made it in time to provide a heartwarming speech to us all, as a couple of hours flight delay would have meant you were still on the M25! You will both be very missed in the village. On behalf of us and numerous others, a huge thank you for your enormous contribution to the Speldhurst community. With love and very best wishes to your future.

Tina Arnold and Abi Dawson



St. Mary's Church, Speldhurst | St. John's Church, Groombridge | St. Martin's Church, Ashurst

December 2025



4th December

7.30pm Taize Service at St martin's, Ashurst

7th December

10am Holy Communion at St Mary's, Speldhurst

11am Matins at St John's, Groombridge

14th December

10am Morning Worship with Baptisms at St Mary's Church, Speldhurst

11am St John's Carol Service at St John's, Groombridge

20th December

6pm Carols by Candlelight at St Mary's, Speldhurst

21st December

8am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Mary's, Speldhurst

10am Holy Communion (CW) at St Mary's, Speldhurst

4pm Carol Service at St Martin's, Ashurst

24th December

3pm Crib Service at St Mary's, Speldhurst

4pm Crib Service at St Mary's, Speldhurst

4pm Crib Service at St Martin's, Ashurst

11.30pm Midnight Communion at St Mary's, Speldhurst



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St. Mary's Church, Speldhurst | St. John's Church, Groombridge | St. Martin's Church, Ashurst

December 2025



25th December

- 10am Christmas Day All Age Worship St Mary's, Speldhurst
10am Christmas Day Celebration St Martin's, Ashurst

28th December

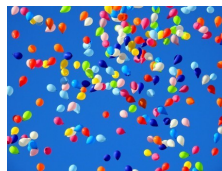
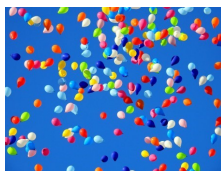
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Speldhurst News Archive

Travel back in time and read about what we were all up to in the 80's!
An archive of back copies has come to light from the depths of Julie's and Edward's attic. If anyone is interested in taking a look through then please get in touch [speldhurst.news @gmail.com](mailto:speldhurst.news@gmail.com)



The opening on Saturday 8th November was absolutely incredible! There were so many people, the weather was kind and our new premises looked absolutely FABULOUS...

For those of you who were there, you will have heard speeches from the Mayor of Tunbridge Wells, from Edward, the Chair of our Community Benefit Society and from Lynsay, who as project manager, thanked many people who had contributed in some way shape or form during this project.

The run up to the opening was a hectic two weeks of very very long hours for a few of us, and a huge contribution in time and help from many others. Thanks will be fully acknowledged in the coming weeks once we have all amalgamated our various parts of the project, but for now, we have to say again, just one big thank you to Gavin Riley, who worked tirelessly to ensure this project was delivered on time. Despite various hiccoughs he turned up every morning, wearing the same distinguishable hat, with a smile on his face and behind that a determination that we would be ready on the date.

We have done it! We are now ensconced in a beautiful building which houses a fabulous shop and Post Office, and a Community Social Space that is bright and airy and an outside area that will be lovely to sit in in the warmer months. The garden area has been planted up and will grow into a lovely area to look over to the view towards Bidborough and Southborough.

We are lucky to have an improved car park as well which was always hoped for but definitely a "maybe" until the latter months of the project.





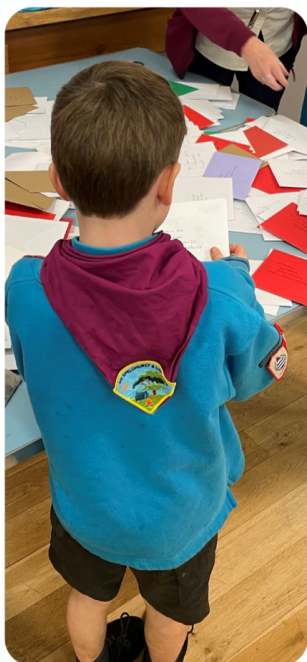
Analysis of this project will be over the next few weeks, but for now, we are all taking our foot a little off the accelerator to gather our heads together, tie up any loose ends and get used to our new building. Our lovely shop ladies and volunteers will be delighted to welcome you as shoppers, or indeed, with the new stock room being but a few paces from the till, as a new volunteer, to enjoy being part of this adventure. So there we are Speldhurst, your Community Shop, Post Office & Space is there for you to enjoy! **PLEASE USE IT! Now come and see us, enjoy what we have to offer and make this all worthwhile!**

Deb Cambridge, on behalf of the Committee.

BEAVER POST IS BACK!

Keep our Beavers busy and
get them to post your
Christmas cards!

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card



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and Stockland Green



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Beavers' postbox
in the
village
shop

This year, money raised will be going to
Refugease to support their work with
frontline evacuations, humanitarian aid and
self-reliance for refugees.

Last post: 4 pm on Thursday 11th December

Carols by Candlelight

With

Speldhurst Community Choir



Saturday 20th December
6pm

All Welcome!

St Mary's Church, Speldhurst



Speldhurst CEP Primary School News



Remembrance Day is always an important date in the Speldhurst School calendar. On this 11th day of the 11th month, pupils joined the nation to pay their respect with a 2-minute silence at the 11th hour to those who served in the two Great Wars. Led by the new Parish vicar, Ron Hindmarch, the service also reminded of those suffering in current conflicts and war across the globe...and the pupils, embraced this act of remembrance, wearing poppies



Back in the classroom, year 2 pupils in Bramley Class were given the chance to step back to pre-history in a lively workshop delivered by the Amelia Scott Outreach team. It was an exciting learning experience about how people and communities developed during the Stone, Bronze and Iron ages.

Meanwhile with the football season well underway, Speldhurst School is making its mark – and we have our very own team of local ‘lionesses’ whose grit and determination scored victory in their first match this season against St John’s Primary. The game had a few ups and downs, but Speldhurst played ‘some really good stuff’ with powerful tackling and movement of the ball, defeating St John’s 3:2. Let’s hope this is one of many wins this season.

Sport, the arts, music all part of the holistic education which Speldhurst offers pupils. Last term children in our school’s orchestra joined a workshop at St Peters Primary, run by Royal Tunbridge Wells Symphony Orchestra. They were part of a large orchestra including young pupils from other schools who learnt and performed the *Evening Prayer*, a piece from the opera *Hansel and Gretel* by Engelbert Humperdinck, alongside professional RTWSO musicians. Back in school, they also performed the piece in a whole school assembly.

Now, dear reader, what link does this photo have with our school?

It’s the Anti-bullying Alliances Odd Socks Day which the School took part in again this year. The initiative on Anti-bullying day, encourages everyone to come to school wearing odd socks or colourful tights to celebrate the fact that we are all unique and remind us to appreciate the rich contribution of difference and diversity all year long



And now Christmas. Yes, it's just round the corner. Maybe you make your own Christmas pudding. In which case you'll know about Stir up Sunday which this year was November 23rd, the last Sunday before Advent and a traditional day for families to gather and make their Christmas puddings and cakes. The name comes from the start of the sermon in the Book of Common Prayer, "Stir up, we beseech thee, O Lord," which serves as a reminder to stir the pudding mix and make a wish. I love the old traditions – and the festive season wouldn't be the same without panto although this year it is a little bit different from the traditional 'Cinderella' or 'Dick Whittington'.

This year (drum roll please) we're going down the rabbit hole with 'Alice's Adventures in Wonderland'. Many thanks to our wonderful PTA who have arranged for theatre company CatsGrin, (named after the iconic Cheshire cat in Alice's story) to bring their production to the School. Sprinkled with some festive fizz the show contains lots of audience participation including opportunities for the children to play an array of roles from The Dormouse, The Hedgehog and other creatures...and even the King of Hearts – he's behind you!!!



And of course, Santa also will be coming to the village, stopping off at the PTA's Grotto where he will bring something special for 'good girls and boys' and lots of festive cheer. Children will also be able to buy presents for their loved ones – with all the money raised going to the School. Merry Christmas everyone and a very Happy New Year – Ho-Ho-Ho

SARA ANDREW , COMMUNICATIONS GOVERNOR



CRAFTS WORKSHOP

**DEC
12TH**

CHRISTMAS ALLSORTS

Join me for a Christmas crafty afternoon.
I'll be running workshops all afternoon - come for one, two or all of them - whatever you fancy.
Mulled wine/apple juice, mince pies and other festive treats included in the price.



4.30pm - Jewellery gifts

**5.30pm - Christmas trees,
reindeers or angel lights**

6.30pm - Sweet trees

7.30pm - Christmas trays/boards



How much does it cost?

£10- which includes all equipment, tuition, drinks and nibbles, **plus** the cost of whatever you choose.
Please ask for more information on individual prices if required.

How do I book?

Contact Julie on 07917 606542 or
email- giftsbyjuliep@gmail.com



Where /when?

Kent Cottage
Barden Road
Speldhurst
TN3 0LE
12/12/25
4.30-8,30pm

Letter from St Mary's



IT'S A CRACKER!

A lot of people think Christmas is a time for over indulgence and has become too commercialised and I suppose this is true but I still love it. I even enjoy Christmas crackers with those terrible jokes and disappointing gifts inside. Of course, this is a far cry from how it all began – with the birth of a baby in dire poverty in what was and still is a Middle East war zone.

What Christmas is really all about. The real gift inside the cracker and one that never disappoints is that God showed up – in person. Or as it says in the Bible, ***“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.”***

Now, do you think God went to all that trouble to make us miserable or to give us a hard time over lots of rules and regulations? If you read the Bible that is not what Jesus was about. Jesus came to show us how to lead a good life and how to treat other people, especially those in need. He came, to use another Bible phrase, so that we ***“Might enjoy life to the full.”*** He also came clutching an invitation to a party in Heaven.

Many bible scholars have commented that Jesus spent much of his time either at a party or on his way to or from one and when he was not at a party he was telling stories about them. Jesus even describes Heaven as a banquet. There can be no doubt that Jesus did not need an excuse to celebrate or throw a party. Sure, the baby born in a stable grew up to know great sadness and to be a man of prayer but he also loved the company of other people and would open the door to anyone, including his enemies.

When all the bad jokes and disappointing gifts are taken away, the real message inside the cracker is that God showed up. God sees the mess we have made of the world and it breaks his heart so he comes on a rescue mission carrying an invitation into His heavenly home.

The story of Christmas is not just a heart-warming story of a cute little baby being born in a stable. That is a great place to start but it is so much more. It is about God showing up to meet our deepest need and to transform our lives. A God ready to share in the brokenness of this life and also clutching an invitation to the next for anyone who is prepared to say, Yes, Lord Jesus I'd love to come to the party.”

John Perkins

SPELDHURST PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

In October we co-opted 2 new Councillors at our Full Council Meeting. Here they are to tell you a little bit about themselves.



JAMES FARLEY, COUNCILLOR



I am a long-standing resident of the Speldhurst Parish, having moved to Langton Green in 1993 when I joined Kent Police. I now live in Speldhurst with my family, where my wife and I have raised three children. After a 30-year career with Kent Police, I retired as a Detective Inspector in 2023. I now run a local mobile coffee business, which operates from a converted horse trailer.

This venture has provided a valuable opportunity for me to interact with local residents on a regular basis, and enables me to understand community needs and sentiment first-hand. I'm committed to contributing more to the community and aim to ensure the parish remains a thriving and safe place to live by focusing on addressing traffic concerns and advocating for responsible development. I value community connection and transparency and am eager to effectively represent the views of all local residents.

JADE DICKENS, COUNCILLOR



I am a local resident and have lived in Langton Green for over 7 years. I have two children aged 12 and 14 years old and am particularly passionate about their future, making a difference to our community, and leaving a lasting legacy. My approach in this capacity will be to listen and take a balanced viewpoint of all stakeholders to help find collaborative and progressive solutions that benefit all within our

community. With a career in bid management in both construction and the energy sector, I am well versed in understanding the key drivers and challenges that we face in the world of development, planning, and environmental management.

SPELDHURST CHAPEL - COMMUNITY SHOP AND POST OFFICE

Just over a year on from when councillors voted unanimously to go ahead with the purchase of Speldhurst Chapel and grant a lease to Speldhurst Community Shop, it was great to see and hear the buzz at the Grand Opening which took place on 8th November.



POCKET PARK BIODIVERSITY PROJECT The project started in 2023, with funding support from TWBC, Tesco and the High Weald organisation. Throughout Spring and Summer this year, the central area of the Park was left unmown again to allow native fauna to develop with many new flowers identified and recorded. In preparation for the 2026 growing season we are delighted to be working with NaturePlus to establish a flower meadow. Work has already started

to prepare the ground and we hope to see this flower meadow starting to develop in Spring/Summer 2026. With the sad passing of Alan Ford, and in honour of his passion for nature and tireless efforts on the project, SPC have dedicated a tree and plaque in his memory.

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR

The council office will be closed over Christmas **between Tuesday 23rd December and Thursday 1st January (inclusive).**

We will check the clerk's email inbox and pick up mobile phone messages periodically during this time, should you need to contact us.

We wish you all a well-deserved festive break, and here's to a happy and healthy New Year.

FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS – EVERYONE WELCOME

Monday 1st December 7pm – The Palmer Room, Langton Village Hall

Monday 5th January 2026 7.30pm – Speldhurst Village Hall

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01892 862927/07760 769513 or email

clerk@speldhurstparishcouncil.gov.uk

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Garden & Allotment News



The Devil's Coach Horse: A Helpful Villain in the Woodpile

Late October may be the time of Halloween, however having encountered the thornapple (devils' trumpet – see last month's 'News'), it was a little 'disturbing' to have almost immediately come face-to-face with a rove beetle boasting a similarly mysterious common name. If you've ever lifted a log in your garden or turned over a patch of rotting wood and spotted a large black beetle glaring back at you, you've probably met the Devil's Coach Horse. With its shiny armour, powerful jaws, and the dramatic way it raises its tail like a scorpion, it certainly looks fierce — but don't be fooled. This beetle is one of the good guys of the garden.

The Devil's Coach Horse (*Ocypus Olens*) is a type of rove beetle, part of one of the largest beetle families in the world. It's most often found under logs, in compost heaps, or among leaf litter, especially in damp spots where wood is breaking down. Far from being sinister, it plays an important role in the ecosystem by feeding on slugs, larvae, and other small invertebrates. In other words, it's an excellent natural pest controller.

Why Rotting Wood Is a Good Thing

Although it can be tempting to tidy every corner of the garden, leaving a pile of old logs or branches to decay quietly in a shady corner does wonders for wildlife. Rotting wood provides shelter, food, and breeding sites for a variety of creatures - from beetles and centipedes to frogs and hedgehogs (if they've not been eaten by the badgers). The fungi and bacteria that break the wood down return valuable nutrients to the soil, keeping the garden's ecosystem in good health. And that's where my Devil's Coach Horse was lurking. Amongst my wood pile. And when it was possible to look past its fierce appearance, it was a delight to find. A living example that the wood pile in my garden is working.

A Haven for Biodiversity

So, next time you see a Devil's Coach Horse scuttling through the leaf litter, give it a nod of respect. It might look a bit fearsome, but it's a hardworking ally, part of the quiet army that keeps nature's recycling system running smoothly. A humble wood pile, left to do its thing, can become one of the most important wildlife habitats in any garden.

If you are interested in these topics / types of discussions, there is a Facebook page where we go into this type of stuff. It is called Speldhurst Allotmenters & Gardeners and the web address is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/305824050847755>.

Rob Kyte

NATURE WATCH - LOCAL

THIS WEEK....

Spotted in Shadwell woods, this is a Porcelain Fungus described by the Woodland Trust as a glistening white, translucent beauty which fights off its rivals with its own fungicide. It is associated with beech trees and is edible - but only once the off-putting mucus is washed off.



ALSO REPORTED.....

I saw a large greater spotted woodpecker on our birdfeeder and as we had some friends to lunch and as the birdfeeder was outside the window , we all watched it . Suddenly a sparrowhawk swooped in, took it from the feeder, they both went to the ground and then the sparrowhawk carried the woodpecker off! Sad to watch but then sparrowhawks are on the Amber list for Birds of Conservation Concern so we should be grateful to have them!

Judith (on Ferbies)

THE ‘DIG’ BEGINS!

The recently formed Speldhurst Parish History Society has just carried out its first archaeological dig in the Parish – in a field where the ancient routeway came up over the hill from Groombridge heading towards Speldhurst. Evidence of human activity going back many centuries was found but the ‘star find’ was the fossilised remains of a cast from an ancient tree – around 130 million years old! The detailing on the stone is extraordinary.

This is the start by the Society of attempting to join up the dots of who lived and worked here – going way back in time. To date, a medieval water mill was found on the River Grom; an Anglo Saxon throwing axe dated around 650 AD on the slopes down to the river indicating Saxon activity in the Grom Valley; a 13th/14th century seal with the names Matthew, son of William. Who were they? An iron-age mound is under investigation; and Roman Pottery has been found in Speldhurst and Mesolithic flints in Langton Green dating from 6000 years ago.



Tangible links with the past lie in the many fifteenth century onwards buildings which are dotted around the Parish. But it is the unknown that we are trying to put together. Of considerable help are the KCC Archives in Maidstone, and old maps can also play a very important role and often tell an exciting story.

The BBC series ‘Digging for Britain’ has introduced interest and excitement into our past. Now for the first time, we are trying to bring the past into our future.

Please get in touch if you have any items such as books, maps which would help piece together the history of the Parish.

Ed Langridge. edlangridge@yahoo.co

Blackham Village Hall Christmas Market



Saturday 6th December
10am – 12.15pm

Lots of lovely produce for sale: homemade pasties, cakes, scones, chutneys, jams, free range eggs, bread, bird food, honey, handmade craft items perfect for Christmas gifts, raffle and lots more Christmas treats.

*Enjoy a glass of mulled wine & a mince pie
or a
cup of delicious coffee/tea and homemade cakes*

We look forward to seeing you!!



SPELDHURST COOKBOOK - KASHMIR CHUTNEY



Makes approx. 8lbs of chutney.

INGREDIENTS

2LBS COOKING APPLES

1LB ONIONS

1LB DATES (BLOCK)

1LB RAISINS

2LBS SOFT BROWN SUGAR

4OZS CRYSTALISED GINGER OR 4TBS GROUND GINGER

1-2 TSP CAYENNE PEPPER

2OZS SALT

1/2 PINT MALT VINEGAR

METHOD

Peel and core apples and onions

Roughly chop block dates and raisins

Put all through food processor

Add spices, salt, sugar and vinegar

Stir, cover and leave to marinate for 36 hours

Then put into jars, wax paper top and then lid

These will keep for several years.

No cooking required.

Best kept for 6 months before opening.

Enjoy!

Original recipe was from Clodagh Keun, who lived on a tea plantation for many years in Ceylon.

Penny Gerrard

SPELDHURST VILLAGE CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS

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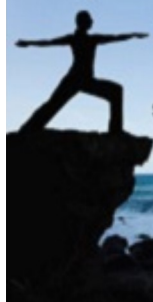
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