



# PROSPECT VALE GAZETTE

We care, we strive, together we thrive

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## Headteacher's Welcome

As the term begins to accelerate towards the holidays, it's been an incredibly busy and productive week here at school! We've packed a huge amount into the last few days, from starting up a very successful **Book Fair** (thank you again to everyone who supported it so far!) to seeing the enthusiasm of the PTA as they lay out exciting plans for events and fundraising in the year ahead. If you want to join us for our PTA meeting, please just come along, we'd love to have you involved!

Amidst all this activity, we have some important news to share. We will be saying a fond farewell to our phenomenal Business Manager, **Mrs. Cron**, who is leaving us for an exciting new role. While it is sad news for our staff and pupils, we couldn't be happier for her professional success. You can find all the details regarding her farewell, and the introduction of her temporary replacement, Mr. Singh, later in this Gazette.

Furthermore, please take a moment to read about our ongoing campaign to

fund our vital ELSA (Emotional Literacy Support Assistant) program. We are actively aiming to make it the most well-resourced support system we can offer our pupils, and your donation—however large or small—goes directly to this incredibly good cause.



We hope you enjoy catching up on all the news below. Have a wonderful weekend, and we look forward to seeing you all bright and early next week!

Warm regards,

Mr Redfearn

Headteacher

# Dates for your diary

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November

- ★ ★ Cheerleading for Year 2 and Year 3 at 3.30pm-4.30pm
- ★ ★ 3.30 Book Fair, just inside the front entrance. Card only.

## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> November

- ★ ★ 3:30 Phonics Meeting for Year 1 and Year 2 Parents
- ★ ★ 3.30-4.15 Boys and Girls Football Club KS2
- ★ ★ 3.30 Book Fair, just inside the front entrance. Card only.

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November

- ★ ★ Forest School for Year 2 and Year 3
- ★ ★ Choir practice at lunchtime
- ★ ★ 3.30 Book Fair, just inside the front entrance. Card only. FINAL DAY!

## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> November

- ★ ★ 3.30-4.15pm Recorder Club – back to usual time!
- ★ ★ 3.30-4.30pm Cheerleading
- ★ ★ 3.30 Book Fair Launch in Dining Hall – Card Only

## Friday 28<sup>st</sup> November

- ★ ★ Year 4 Swimming – parents to bring t-shirt and shorts as well please
- ★ ★ Year 5 Brass

# Year 4 Swimming Reminder

This is just a reminder from Mr Gray for parents to please send your children in with t-shirts and shorts when they go swimming next Friday.



# Book Fair Bonanza

We've made a fantastic start to our Book Fair this week, seeing lots of wonderful purchases! But you haven't missed your chance to support the school and stock up on great books.

Remember, the money raised directly benefits the school, helping us purchase new books and resources for the children.

The Book Fair will be open every day after school until **Wednesday (our final day!)**. Please come in and make a purchase before it's gone!







# Christmas Decoration Workshop at the Kingsway!

Our Year 5 pupils had a wonderful time visiting Kingsway Secondary School this week! The children were busy creating some truly wonderful Christmas decorations, showing off their creativity and teamwork. The festive spirit was high, and the chilly walk home certainly helped to get everyone excited for the holidays!



# Thrills and Tumbles: Gymnastic Enrichment this week!

This week brought incredible excitement to the school as every child had the amazing opportunity to participate in a high-energy gymnastics enrichment workshop!

We were delighted to welcome specialist gymnast Jordan, who led the sessions. The children were captivated by an incredible demonstration of skill and agility. They then got to try out some truly fun and dynamic activities themselves, learning foundational movements and enjoying the thrill of physical challenge in a safe environment.

From balancing to basic tumbling, the enjoyment was clear on every face. This special enrichment was a fantastic way to encourage physical literacy and inspire our pupils. A huge thank you to Jordan for an unforgettable experience!









# Our super Year 3 Football Team take over the Etihad!

For the first time in the school's history, a football team from Prospect Vale has visited Manchester City stadium for a football tournament and returned unbeaten!

3 incredible wins and 3 draws meaning our incredible football heroes placed in the top 3 in the WHOLE tournament. We couldn't be prouder of their achievement but of also how they represented the school, showing bravery, commitment and desire to go above and beyond for each other. Well done Year 3!





# ELSA – Please make a donation!

We are thrilled that so many parents enjoyed watching our ELSA comedy video last week!

If you missed it, please watch the video on our Facebook page here: [ELSA Video](#). We highly recommend enjoying this entertaining watch on a big screen with popcorn! Huge thanks again to our amazing team for creating it.

We are still taking donations to ensure we have the **most well-resourced ELSA program possible**. We are pleased to announce we have currently raised £227! Our target is £500, so please help us reach this goal.

You can donate today via Parent Pay or by online bank transfer. Every donation helps!

[ELSA Video](#)



# Heartfelt and Fond Farewell to Mrs. Cron!

It is with truly mixed emotions—joy for her and sorrow for us—that we announce we will be saying goodbye to our phenomenal Business Manager, **Mrs. Cron**, at the end of next week.

We always knew we had someone truly special here, and now the wider education community knows it too! Mrs. Cron has secured an incredible opportunity as a **Senior Business Manager** overseeing a trust of high schools! This incredible promotion is a testament to her outstanding expertise.

We will deeply miss her pivotal skill in managing our daily challenges and, of course, that beaming, infectious smile on the gate every single morning. Her positive impact on our school, its operations, and the opportunities we provide for our children couldn't have happened without her input. Thank you for everything, Mrs. Cron; you are going to be an incredibly tough act to follow.

**But please don't worry parents!** To ensure a seamless transition, we are delighted to introduce **Mr. Singh**, who will be joining us as our temporary Business Manager. Mr. Singh is enthusiastic about supporting us throughout the Christmas period while we recruit for a permanent replacement in the role.

Please join us in wishing Mrs. Cron the **absolute best of luck** in this thrilling new chapter. We hope she will visit soon!





# Certificate Winners

Well done to our certificate winners this week. You went above and beyond in exemplifying our school ethos!

Reception	Louis
Year 1	Ayzah
Year 2	Shayan
Year 3	Saffia
Year 4	Rumaisa
Year 5	Minahil
Year 6	Grace T

Well done everyone!

## Dojo Certificates

Every day, children are awarded with dojo points that count towards a weekly total and an ongoing total. The weekly total winners for each class are displayed here. There are also opportunities to receive badges for children collecting dojos over time. This allows us to celebrate our school ethos at every opportunity.

Reception	Taymiyyah
Year 1	Edith
Year 2	Eliana
Year 3	Eesa Q and Hashir

Year 4	Arshida
Year 5	Ayaan
Year 6	Grace T

## Attendance

Well done to **Year 3** for achieving the highest attendance this week! Keep up the great work! Our weekly attendance was **93.1%**

This is below our **96%** target. Let's try harder next week to get our children over that 96% mark!

Reception	92.1
Year 1	89.1
Year 2	94.7
Year 3	98
Year 4	95.2
Year 5	86.4
Year 6	94.6
TOTAL	93.1%



