



PROSPECT VALE GAZETTE

We care, we strive, together we thrive

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Headteacher's Welcome

Well, here we are—the final Gazette of 2025! What an incredible year it has been. As we reach the end of the term, it is the perfect time to reflect on everything we have achieved together. What we have here at **Prospect Vale** is something truly special, a sentiment that was perfectly reflected in our Christmas productions this December. The performances embodied everything it means to say: *we care, we strive, together we thrive*. Please take a look below at the exciting things that have taken place just this week.

Looking ahead to 2026, there is so much to look forward to. To start the year, it will be the turn of Year 4 and Year 5 to head out for **Forest School**! We also have a brand-new range of after-school clubs launching, and we are thrilled to introduce our first

exciting week with **School of Play**. There is a fantastic activity planned for each day, including the opportunity for a first free day! All the details you need were sent out this afternoon, so please do check the school spider app!

All that's left for me to say is that I hope you have a wonderful, restful holiday. We can't wait to see you all return re-energised and ready for the start of January 2026!



Mr Redfearn
Headteacher

Dates for your diary

Monday 5th January

- ✧✧ School Re-opens! Happy New Year!
- ✧✧ New After-School Club Starts, School of Play – Laser Tag (Breakfast Club still run by Prospect Vale)

Tuesday 6th January

- ✧✧ School of Play After-school Club – Zoolab

Wednesday 7th January

- ✧✧ Reception Height and Weight Checks
- ✧✧ Forest School Year 5
- ✧✧ Forest School Year 4
- ✧✧ KS1 Choir
- ✧✧ Nasheed Choir
- ✧✧ School of Play After-school Club – Froggle

Thursday 8th January

- ✧✧ After-school Club – Giant Dart Board

Friday 9th January

- ✧✧ Year 5 Swimming
- ✧✧ Year 4 Recorder
- ✧✧ Year 5 Brass
- ✧✧ After-school Club – Movie Night and Character Visit





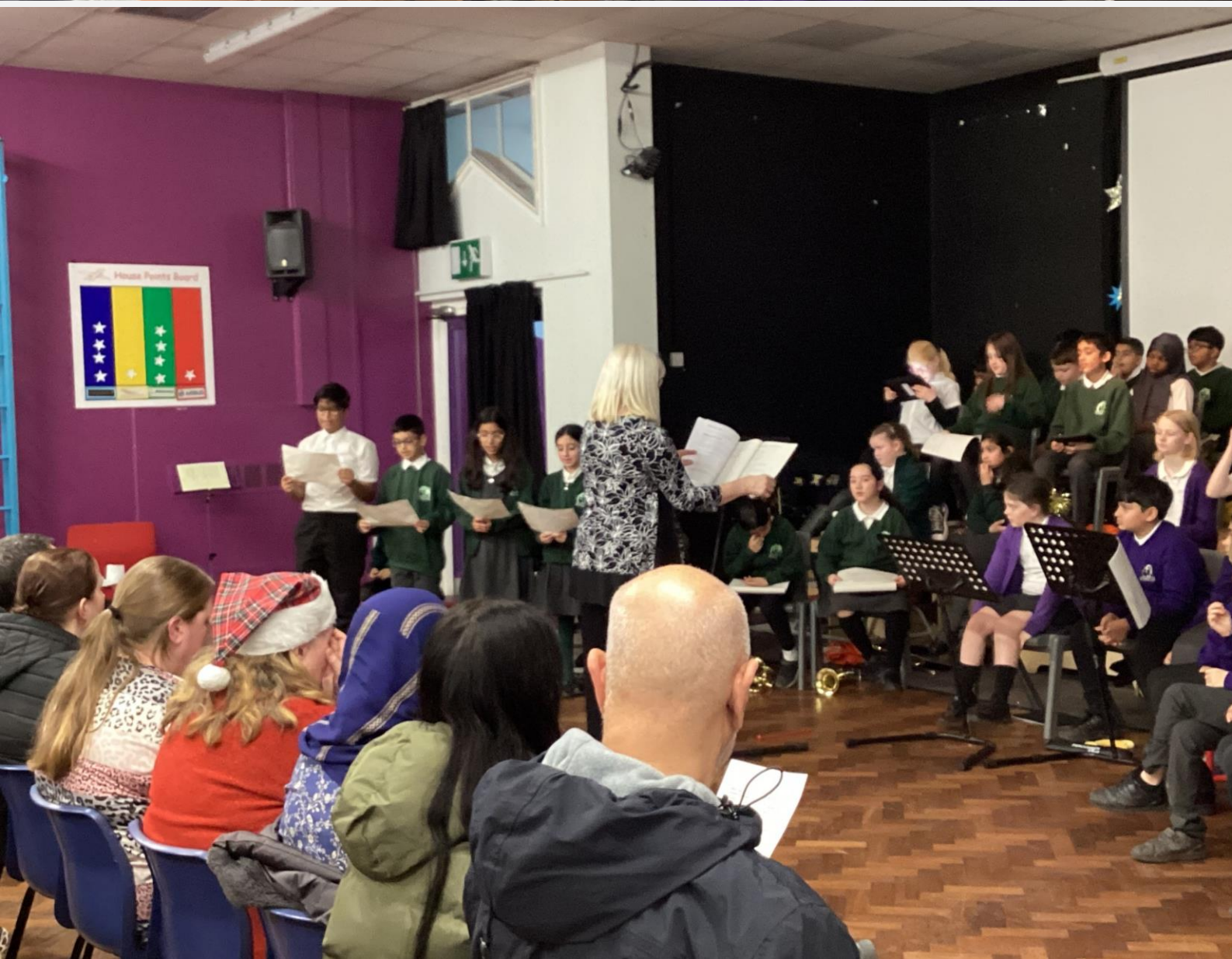
The Perfect Production of Peace Child

Our Year 5 and 6 students delivered a truly breath-taking production of **Peace Child** this week, leaving the audience absolutely spellbound. It was a beautiful exploration of what the festive season means across many different faiths, woven together with a powerful message of unity.

The talent on display was staggering. From the soulful sounds of the woodwind and brass sections to the precision of the tuned percussion, the musicality was far beyond their years. We were treated to everything from incredible vocal harmonies to high-energy dance moves and rapping from our "resident bears," proving just how much diverse talent lives within our school.

By the final curtain, there wasn't a dry eye in the hall. I'll admit to having a tear in my eye—I was simply blown away by the heart and soul these children poured into their performance. It was an unforgettable experience that reminded us all of the true spirit of the season. A huge well done to every single child involved!

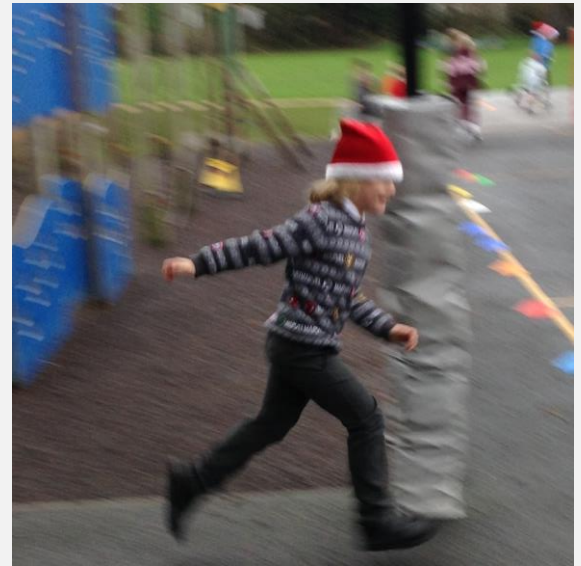




The FAMOUS Santa Dash!

It wouldn't be Christmas without Mrs. Hall's famous Santa Dash! Students gave it their all, seeing how many laps they could complete to earn vital points for their houses. It was a truly spectacular event.

Unfortunately, due to the weather, we had to move the second half of the day inside. However, that didn't dampen anyone's spirits! We still managed to get in plenty of circuits and had a wonderful day. Most importantly, we raised a fantastic amount of money for the School Fund.





Christmas Party Fever

The festive celebrations continued in style as every year group hosted their annual Christmas parties. It was a great event to remember, with the hall filled with laughter and music from start to finish. The children had a wonderful time diving into classic party games, including high-energy rounds of musical chairs and musical statues, as well as the suspense of pass the parcel. It was a joy to see a great time had by all, providing a perfect way for the children to celebrate together before the holidays.





A Special Visitor from the North Pole

We were so fortunate that **Santa** took time out of his busy schedule to visit us on Monday! The children were absolutely delighted to see him, and the excitement in the hallways was infectious.

Thankfully, Santa confirmed that all of our children are officially on the "Good List" this year. However, word has it that it was only the teachers who found themselves on the "Naughty List"! A huge thank you to Santa for making the trip to Prospect Vale and for taking the time to brighten everybody's day.





Introducing 'School of Play'

We are thrilled to announce that when we return in January, we will be launching our brand-new after-school club, **School of Play!** This isn't just any after-school provision; it is a space designed for creativity, high energy, and, most importantly, fun.

To celebrate our launch, they have an incredible first week lined up with unique activities every single day. We want as many children as possible to experience the magic, so don't forget: **you can claim one free club session** using the flyer that was sent out via school spider earlier this afternoon when you sign up!

Take a look below at the amazing things your children can get involved in during our first week back:



School-led After-school clubs

Our after-school clubs lead by teachers will begin in our second week back on Monday 12th January. A full list of what clubs will be on offer will be sent out in the first week as well as details of how to book on.

Forest School for Year 3

Our Forest School half-term finished for our Year 3s who have had a fantastic time. Here they are toasting and munching on marshmallows, an experience that I am sure will live with them forever! Well done Year 3! Up next, Year 4 and year 5!



