



# PROSPECT VALE GAZETTE

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## Headteacher's Welcome

There is a wonderful sense of energy in school at the moment, with so many exciting projects currently underway and even more to look forward to in the coming weeks. It was a particularly special start to the week on Monday; as I was out of school, Mr. Dudley took the lead on our Hot Chocolate treat for our certificate winners. It was a rare treat for the children to share their success with him, and I hear the hot chocolate was as delicious as ever!

Looking ahead, we have some fantastic events on the horizon. Please do take a look below for news regarding our **Eid celebrations**; we are planning a huge outdoor event for May to make the most of the Stockport sunshine. We also have **Parent Governor elections** approaching. If you are interested in helping to shape the strategic direction of our school, it is a brilliant time to get involved and lend a hand in our future.

Next week is particularly busy for our local trips and performances. My thanks go to the parents who are supporting our visit to the **Stockport Air Raid Shelters**; these experiences are so vital

for bringing history to life. I also want to draw your attention to our **Year 3 and Year 4 Stockport Songbook** performance. The children have worked incredibly hard with the Youth Orchestra team, and we would love to see a packed audience for their in-school performance this Thursday.

Finally, please enjoy the photos of our Year 5 **Moon Poets** and the lucky children who had the "time of their lives" at the **Manchester Snow Centre** with SHAPES. It is a joy to see our pupils excelling both in the classroom and out on the slopes!

Have a wonderful weekend everyone.



Mr Redfearn  
Headteacher

# Dates for your diary

## Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February

- ★ ★ 3.30-4.30 Year 2 and 3 Cheer

## Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February

- ★ ★ Year 3 Trip to Stockport Air-Raid Shelters
- ★ ★ KS2 Choir

## Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February

- ★ ★ Forest School Year 5
- ★ ★ Forest School Year 4
- ★ ★ Rise Gymnastics Competition
- ★ ★ Reception, Hearing/weight/height reviews

## Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February

- ★ ★ 11am-11.30am Year 3 and Year 4 Songbook Performance – Parents Invited
- ★ ★ 3.30pm-4.30pm Cheerleading Year 4, 5 and 6

## Friday 6<sup>th</sup> February

- ★ ★ Year 5 Swimming
- ★ ★ Year 4 Recorder
- ★ ★ Year 5 Brass
- ★ ★ Stockport Song Book Performance – Romiley Forum from 5.30pm



# Stockport Songbook Performance

The wait is almost over! Next week, our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils will finally take to the stage to showcase their incredible hard work with the Stockport Youth Orchestra team. They have been practicing tirelessly, and we can't wait for you to see the results.

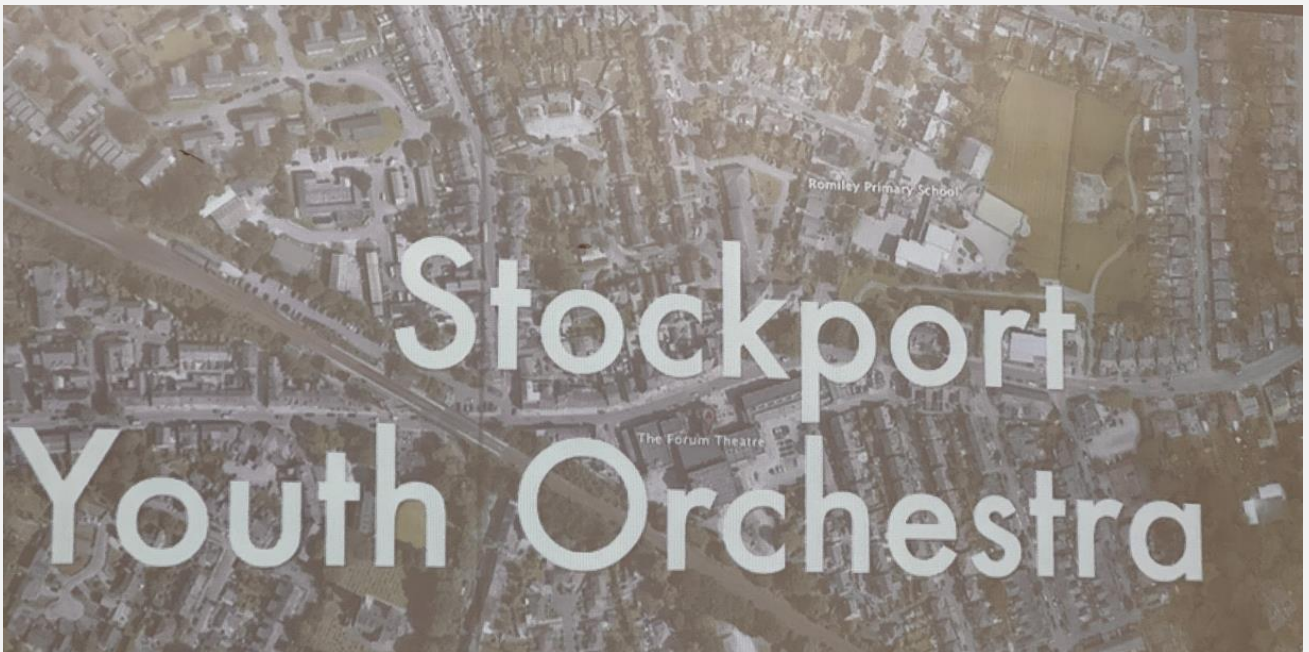
★★ In-School Performance: Thursday 11am in School (for parents).

★★ The Grand Finale: Friday at the Romiley Forum, where they will perform for a jam-packed audience!

Please do try to make it to one of these performances if you can. The children have put their hearts into this project, and it would mean the world to them to perform in front of a keen and enthused audience!







# Ramadan & Eid: A Season of Celebration

As we move through the term, there is a wonderful sense of anticipation building in our school. We are already looking forward to our **Eid celebrations** and the opportunity to come together as a school family to mark this special time with joy and gratitude.

## A New Plan for our Big Celebration!

Last year, we had a fantastic Eid celebration in April. This year, we want to make the most of the (hopefully!) warmer Stockport sunshine by holding our main outdoor event—with food and music on the playground and field—for the **second Eid (Eid al-Adha)** in late May.

We will, of course, still be celebrating the first Eid in **March**. We are currently working with our friends at the local Mosque, who will be visiting to speak with the children about the significance of Ramadan and Eid. If you would like to be involved in our bigger outdoor festivities later in the year, we will keep you posted on how you can join in!

## Creating a Meaningful Ramadan Quiet Space

Throughout the holy month, we are proud to continue providing a dedicated **Quiet Space** for our pupils. This offers a calm, reflective environment away from the hustle and bustle of the lunchtime playground.

To make sure this space is as peaceful and effective as possible, we've been chatting with **our friends at the Ethnic Diversity Service**, who have supported our school for many years. With their expert friendly advice, we've shaped our plans for this year:

- **Year 5 & 6 Focus:** The space will be primarily for our older children, as they often have a deeper understanding of the commitment required for fasting and reflection.
- **A Balanced Routine (The 30/30 Split):** To support both their spiritual journey and their physical energy, pupils will spend **30 minutes** in the quiet space and **30 minutes** outside in the fresh air.
- **Younger Pupils:** If you feel your younger child needs to use this space, please encourage them to have a chat with **Mr. Redfearn** so we can look at their individual needs.

As always, my door is open. I've enjoyed speaking with our local community partners and local mosque about how to make these occasions special for the children. If you have anything you'd like to discuss, please do let me know.

**Note to Parents:** Keep an eye out for a letter in the coming weeks which will provide more detail on how we support and look after our pupils who are fasting during the school day.









# To the Moon and back with Year 5

Our Year 5 classrooms have been looking "out of this world" recently! As part of our exciting Space topic, the children have been working incredibly hard on their creative writing and artwork.

We are delighted to share a look at our new display featuring some stunning Moon Poems and artwork. I have to say, making the final selection for the wall was a monumental task for the teachers—the quality of work across the entire year group was stellar! Every child did a fantastic job capturing the mystery of the lunar landscape, but these particular pieces really stood out for their imagery and heart.

A huge well done to Year 5 for their stellar efforts—you've certainly launched this topic with a bang!





## Snow Centre Splendour!

We are absolutely thrilled to share the news of a recent adventure that saw some very lucky children head off to the Manchester Snow Centre for a day they will never forget!

Supported by SHAPES, our fantastic Local Authority sports provider, the group dove headfirst into a winter wonderland. It was non-stop action from start to finish—the children took on expert ski lessons, tackled the climbing walls, and felt the rush of adrenaline with tubing and sledging!

Living in and around Heald Green, we aren't exactly known for our mountain ranges or steep snowy hills, so for many of these children, it was their first time ever sitting on a sledge or feeling the crunch of snow under their boots. Seeing their faces light up as they zoomed down the slopes was absolutely priceless. They truly had the time of their lives, showing incredible bravery and spirit. A huge thank you to SHAPES for helping us provide such a brilliant, "cool" opportunity!













## Certificate Winners

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

Reception	Minahil
Year 1	Isabella
Year 2	Ada
Year 3	Asa
Year 4	Mussa
Year 5	Aydin
Year 6	Charlie

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	Adam
Year 1	Abdullah
Year 2	Aiyla
Year 3	Saffia
Year 4	Hania
Year 5	Bilal
Year 6	Ziyaan

## Attendance

Well done to Year 2 for achieving the highest attendance this week! Keep up the great work! Our weekly attendance was 96%

This is exactly on our **96%** target. Let's keep up the good work moving into the final two weeks of this half-term!

Reception	95.5
Year 1	97.6
Year 2	99
Year 3	95.5
Year 4	93.9
Year 5	93.4
Year 6	97.7
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>96%</b>



