

# A CHORUS OF APPROVAL

Four Highfield pupils are celebrating after having been chosen to be part of the prestigious Opera North Children's Chorus.

Peter, Frankie, Alexa (all Prep 6) and Oscar (Prep 4) will be performing in a series of concerts this winter, with their repertoire ranging from Handel's Messiah, via African songs, to a number called 'Penguins on Parade!' (*I was fortunate enough to be given a rendition of this one and the four of them make brilliant penguins – Ed*). Peter will also be performing in Tchaikovsky's opera 'The Queen of Spades' over the coming months, with performances in Nottingham, Leeds, Salford and at the Barbican in London.

The Chorus is chosen from all over the North of England, and is a major commitment, with weekly rehearsals in Leeds Grand Theatre. The four pupils love being part of it, and attribute their enthusiasm to the dynamic leadership of their conductor, Justin Doyle.

These fab four are also part of other choirs at HLC. They all sing in the Highfield Senior Choir, Peter is a member of the Gallery Choir, Alexa sings in the Show Choir, and the three boys are all part of the new Boyz Noyz group directed by Clare Gray.

We also congratulate Alice in Prep 5, who has been selected to join the Stage Coach North East Regional Choir this year. Well done, Alice!



Star performers (left to right): Peter; Alexa; Frankie; Oscar. Below: Alice.

