

The next age group were asked to do the same but also to write a slogan to go on a shopping bag.

Langleybury School

Opera Star Helps Singers Hit the High Notes

Despite being International Runners Up at the 2008 Buxton G&S Festival and being locally renowned for their mastery of all things Gilbert & Sullivan, Abbots Langley G&S (ALGSS) prove that there's always something new to learn about stagecraft and singing. With music books in hand, a group of members went 'back to school' to hone their technique and pick up tips from well know opera performer, Richard Suart.

Probably best known for his classic interpretation of Koko in Jonathan Millers' iconic Black & White Mikado, Richard has recently finished a sell out run in The Merry Widow with English National Opera (ENO) where he headlined with Alfie Boe and Roy Hudd. He has also played Jack Point (Yeomen of the Guard) at the Royal Opera House as well as being a long standing principal baritone for the D'Oyly Carte Opera company.

Within the lavish ballroom at Garston Manor, ALGSS were put through their paces with sessions on improvisation, dialogue, movement and singing to help prepare them for their forthcoming production of The Mikado. Richard was impressed with the company and their "great sense of identity and fun" and promised to come and watch them perform at the Watford Palace Theatre in January (19th - 24th).

Tickets are on sale and many families have already taken advantage of the special offer where all 18s and under get any seat for only £5 (Monday-Friday), whilst concessions are



available for the 2.30pm Saturday matinee.

To see this perennial G&S favourite and family friendly

musical comedy call 01923 225671 or book online at www.watfordtheatre.co.uk/

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