

Putnoe Goes To The Proms



“My favourite part of the Proms concert was singing my solo to thousands of people” **Jack Garratt**

ON Sunday the 6th August 2017 my Chamber Choir friends and I attended The Bedford Proms In The Park. We were invited to sing with Pilgrims Preparatory School Choir, who are in Year 1 and 2. During the Summer term we had rehearsed the Gary Barlow song ‘Sing’ and met the young choir.

On the day we went to rehearse and run our song on stage for a sound check. Backstage my Chamber Choir friends and I were shown to our green room where we could wait for our turn on stage.

After a few minutes we were called onstage with Pilgrims to sing the song we had been rehearsing for the live performance. When we were singing they were checking the microphones and speakers (doing a sound check) and also making sure the lights illuminated the performers.

After a break we met at Pilgrims school to collect our artist wristbands, we were shown to the artist entrance and we went back to our green room to wait for our call to stage.

When we were called on stage, and positioned so everyone could see us, we started to sing the song ‘Sing’. My favourite bit of the song was during the last verse when we were getting louder. Singing our song went so quickly, I wish we had longer time on stage. When we finished Alex, Kyshana and I looked around the venue, the theme for The Proms this year was ‘The Movies’ so whilst there you could see the car from the film ‘Back To The Future’, the marshmellow man from ‘Ghost Busters’ and you could also get your face painted like Jasmine did.

After exploring we had a picnic and watched the show with Miss Booth, Mrs Peck, Miss Wharton and Mrs Woodfield. Some older children sang a selection of songs including; ‘How Far I’ll Go’ from Moana and a medley that included music from Superman, Jurassic Park and Star Wars. After this group the professional orchestra and singers came on.

The orchestra was huge, it had a harp and a range of percussion instruments as well as the usual instruments that you’d expect in an orchestra. They made a colossal sound when they played loudly and we were right at the front! be up there! The singers were amazing and sang operatic songs and popular movie songs too.

They were dressed up with lovely dresses and suits, hopefully one day one of us will be up there!

