MERRY CHRISTMAS

Hi there and welcome everyone, we hope you all have lots of fun! This has been the first Pantomime I have directed and I have had so much fun co-directing. There has been a lot of blood, sweat and tears put into this, in very little time, and hopefully we can pull it off.

We have such an amazing cast and every single one of them is so talented. Unfortunately, we have had three cast members pull out of the show, so I would like to thank Martin Thompson and Jennifer Maycock for jumping into the roles of Snitch and Snatch with only weeks left before the show, you are both doing amazing. I would mainly like to thank my right hand woman, my co-director Katie Ashworth, she has been an amazing help throughout and has such a creative mind for directing. This has not only been Katie's first Pantomime directing but her first ever production as director! I am so proud of her and it has been amazing to see her grow throughout rehearsals, I can't wait to see her flourish on her own.

I would also like to thank Susan Hope for all her hard work in admin, creating the amazing posters and Programmes, also thank you for sourcing a lot of the props and everything else that you've done to help. I would also like to thank Suzanne McEachran for helping and supporting myself and Katie throughout rehearsals and sourcing costumes. I can't thank these next two people enough... Gary Tunnicliffe and Ian Fleetwood have put so much work in to set design, set build, light and sound. Gary is a fantastic artist and has created all of our set, painting it all by hand. It has taken hours of labour and dedication and I can't thank him enough. Ian has such a talent with light and sound and has sourced and produced all the equipment to create the Cinderella atmosphere, which again has taken a lot of time and huge thanks go to him. Also, thanks to Helen Findlay for sourcing a lot of the costumes and helping with ideas.

Lastly I would like to thank you, our audience, for being here. We wouldn't be able to do this if it wasn't for you! All that is left for me to say is sit back, relax and enjoy the show.

Hayley Price