

The second concert under the *Thetford Voices* banner again saw young singers from Thetford enjoying themselves when on Wednesday evening 18th June they sang to raise over £220 for Quidenham Children's Hospice.

Children from Admirals' Junior School, Redcastle Furze Primary School and Thetford Grammar Junior School joined our Thetford Music Project Singing Group in a concert called *All Come Together*, a theme reflected in the concert as a whole.

Everything came together: there were opportunities for male notes to blend with female, younger with older voices. The youngsters sang in unison, harmonised and, in 'Pets' - one of the highlights of the night - cleverly wove together some testing counter melodies. Guests Thetford-based folk group MVC, Thetford Grammar School harpist Mary Barclay and Charlotte Tait, a young and quick-fingered piano-accordionist from Fakenham, added to the rich mix.

The choice of songs brought together school musical and folksong, tunes from 16th century Italy and London's East End (courtesy of Lionel Bart's 'Mums and Dads' - together in argument!) - all interpreted with cheerful zest and commitment.

The concert title came from a line in the final song of the night, Kate Rusby's 'High on a Hill' but the last word might be the translation of a line in 'Hine Ma Tov', another song which got the singers lifting the roof: "good it is to join together in song".