Chorister to join National Youth Theatre

A former head chorister at Gresham’s School in Holt has been selected for a place in the National Youth Theatre. Emma Wright, now a music student at the University of York, will be following in the footsteps of British actors including Ben Kingsley, Orlando Bloom and Dame Helen Mirren who all attended the NYT.

Emma, from Field Dalling, is also a member of the National Youth Choir of Great Britain. While at Gresham’s she took the lead role of Kim in the school production of Miss Saigon.

The following year she gained a level-four diploma in musical theatre performance, played Julie in the school’s production of Carousel and Eponine in Sheringham Little Theatre’s production of Les Misérables, all while studying for her A-levels. She said the NYT audition was split in to three parts: movement and physical theatre; devising and improvisation; and an individual monologue.

“It was quite intense but a lot of fun,” said Emma who added that it was an honour to join the NYT.

After completing her undergraduate degree, she hopes to move to London and continue her training in musical theatre or acting.