

## **High Storrs School Pupils Win Festive Award**

**Dedicated pupils from High Storrs School will be presented with the VINCI Education Award for Outstanding Contribution to Sheffield Children's Festival in advance of their City Hall performance on Friday.**

The pupils, who form the cast of musical theatre performance *The Wiz*, will be surprised with the award during their final dress rehearsals for Friday's show.

The group have given so much commitment for months leading up to Sheffield Children's Festival, and have taken on such a huge challenge in putting on a production in the 2,000 capacity oval hall.

Cllr Sylvia Dunkley, Cabinet Member for Culture, Sport and Tourism, said: "What a wonderful achievement for these pupils. They have worked so hard for such a long time, and deserve this level of recognition. This is the first time this award has been given in the history of Sheffield Children's Festival."

Sponsors VINCI Education have been astounded by the commitment that the school has made to the festival. Andrew Percival, Managing Director of VINCI Education, said: "The dedication we have seen in these children is spectacular. We are always pleased with the contributions Sheffield's young people make to the festival, but High Storrs School pupils have taken this one step further by showing so much passion for their production. We are pleased to present them with the award, and look forward to watching the performance."

Further awards will be presented to schools after Sheffield Children's Festival.