

Elementary Choristers Circular No. 9

Wednesday 22 April 2020

DATES ON THE HORIZON	
Wednesday 13 May	Elementary Showcase (to be re-scheduled)
Saturday 25 July	NBCA Mid-Year Concert, Robert Blackwood Hall Monash University
Sunday 20 December	NBCA Annual Christmas Concert, Hamer Hall

HOMEWORK

Please keep learning and working on each song in your practice each week. The aim is to have everything memorised by the time we meet back together face-to-face. Your focus repertoire this week is *The Salley Gardens* and *Long Legged Sailor*.

Practice tips:

- Always start with your breathing exercises and vocal warmups
- Set yourself a goal to work towards for each song when you practise (for example, following music, memorising words, feeling the beat, intonation/pitch)
- Write down your goal to share at our next rehearsal.
- Drink plenty of water to keep yourself hydrated

Each week you will have the rehearsal video and live zoom call where we will continue working on our repertoire and learning new vocal skills. Make sure you include these in your practice routine. The repertoire list below shows what music is to be practised at home.

Repertoire list:

- Angels in the Snow
- Kangaroo
- Ickle Ockle
- On a Log
- Mister Sun
- Moon So Round and Yellow
- Breathing exercises
- The Salley Gardens
- Can you hear me? (Lower part track)

Download the tracks by logging in to the NBCA website and following the pathway:

Choir Community dropdown menu -> Elementary Choristers -> Music tab -> 2020 folder

ELEMENTARY VIRTUAL REHEARSAL ROOM

Wednesday rehearsals for Term 2 from 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Don't forget to download and watch the pre-rehearsal video at the start of each week:

https://readycloud.netgear.com/client/browselink.html#t=1wsed8ppzmtf6gb6x8dg88w7st6/Element ary%20Choir%20Online%20Learning

Password: NBCA2020





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To access the Virtual Rehearsal Room, go to:

https://us04web.zoom.us/j/222025139?pwd=MmZ1RDdTNzdKV0FwbTduWVh3NGtwUT09 Meeting ID: 222 025 139 Password: NBCA2020

Virtual Rehearsal Room reminders:

- Have your pencil and scores ready
- Have gone through the warm-up videos
- Create and wear a BIG name tag (just write your name on a piece of paper and tape it to your shirt);
- Write your name and choir number into the chat when you arrive (e.g. Joe Smith E 19 or James Lock J05)
- Be sitting well on a firm chair or upright on the edge of the couch
- Be in a common area if possible (if in a bedroom, please set up a virtual/digital background)
- Have parents nearby
- Use earphones/headphones as necessary

The chat feature on Zoom is only to be used for direct questions/answers to the NBCA staff. There will be opportunities throughout the term to message and chat with a choir friend. However, when we are learning it is important that you remain focussed on the musical task.

Please let us know if you have any issues or if you're an apology by emailing the office at <u>office@nationalboyschoir.com.au</u>. Mrs de Jonge will be monitoring emails before and during each rehearsal.