



# NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR OF AUSTRALIA

## Junior Choristers Circular No. 12

Tuesday 4 May 2021

### DATES ON THE HORIZON . . .

<b>Wednesday 12 May</b>	Junior Choir Showcase 6:00pm <i>next week! (Performance at 6.30pm)</i>
<b>Wednesday 19 May</b>	Combined rehearsal with Elementary Choir 5:15pm to 6:45 <i>note times!</i>
<b>Wednesday 9 June</b>	Combined rehearsal with Elementary Choir 5:15pm to 6:45pm <i>note times!</i>
<b>Wednesday 21 July</b>	Combined rehearsal with Elementary Choir 5:15pm to 6:45pm <i>note times!</i>
<b>Saturday 24 July</b>	NBCA Winter Concert – <i>save the date!</i>

### COVID-19

Any change to the regular rehearsal schedule, due to health warnings, will be advised via email to all families, usually within an hour of announcements being made.

The following rules will continue to apply:

- Face masks are welcome, but not required
- If anyone in your household is sick, please do not come to Choir



The waiting area/ foyer will be open to any family members who wish to wait inside during rehearsal. COVID-Safe rules still apply and parents will need to sign in using the Choir QR code.

### JUNIOR SHOWCASE – Next Week at NBCA Studios

**The Junior Showcase is Wednesday next week. We have released more tickets so book yours now!**

**Bookings are essential** <https://www.trybooking.com/BQQYX>

\*Don't forget to bring your printed tickets or show them on your phone on the day\*

### Performance wear went home in calico bags with choristers last week:

Please have your chorister try the trousers on and adjust the hems of the legs if necessary.

- Trousers bottoms must touch the instep so that the front crease is straight.
- No iron on hemming tape is to be used – good old-fashioned needle and thread.
- Hand-sew with black cotton only please
- Trousers must NEVER be cut – fold excess fabric over twice or three times if necessary, making a deep hem.
- Do not remove name tapes – if you are unhappy about the pins, please sew the name tapes onto the garments where pinned, as it is very difficult to find the 'owner' of the trousers when the tape has been removed
- Iron the shirt in readiness for the concert and press the trousers under a cloth – direct contact between iron and trouser makes the fabric shiny due to the wool content.

**So, remember** – choristers must wear white performance shirt and trousers, black belt, polished black shoes (no runners) and black socks to Choir on the day. No t-shirts or singlets under the shirt.

**Bring** – a change of clothes in the calico bag on the day, jacket over the shirt if it's cold and a smile!

**All event details can be viewed on the** [NBCA website once you log in.](#)



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**HOMEWORK**

**One week** to go until our Showcase Concert! 😊

Use this week to run through all your pieces and make sure you stand with correct posture and confidence while singing.

All music for the Showcase will be performed from memory. So, this week is your chance to make sure you have memorised all your notes and words. Use the practice tracks to assist you with accuracy.

**Showcase Music List:**

- ★ Start the Engine
- ★ L'il Liza Jane
- ★ On a little piece of string
- ★ One two three
- ★ Cantilene for Crab
- ★ Tango for Tuna
- ★ Whalechant
- ★ A boy's best friend is his mother
- ★ Taba Naba
- ★ I lost my homework

**Other Repertoire & Vocal Warm-up Videos:**

- ★ Vocal Warmup Videos (online for you to utilise in practice)
- ★ Sight singing (for in-class use, no track)

**For the mid-year Winter Concert:**

- ★ Wadawurrung – Part 2
- ★ For the Children – Part 1
- ★ Singabahambayo – Part 1
- ★ Drunken Sailor

**ENTERTAINMENT MEMBERSHIPS** 

**Support the NBCA by buying an Entertainment Membership today!**

The much-loved Entertainment Book is now a fully digital membership. You can purchase a single city membership for Melbourne for \$69.99. Multi-City memberships are also available to purchase at an additional price.

20% of every membership sold will go towards NBCA's fundraising efforts. Plus, Mother's Day is this weekend so it's a lovely present idea for your loved one. Head to [www.entbook.com.au/181d541](http://www.entbook.com.au/181d541) to make your purchase.



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**TERM 2 FEES**

Term 2 invoices are due next week. If you would like to discuss any payment issues, please email our Treasurer Colin Seedy directly at [treasurer@nationalboyschoir.com.au](mailto:treasurer@nationalboyschoir.com.au) .

**Friendly reminders...**

- ✓ **ESSENTIAL: Book your tickets for the Junior Showcase (correct link above)**
- ✓ **PRIORITY: Memorisation of Showcase music**
- ✓ Term 2 fees due next week
- ✓ Bring blue satchels to *all* rehearsals