



NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR  
OF AUSTRALIA

**Junior Choristers Circular No. 17**

Tuesday 8 June 2021

**DATES ON THE HORIZON . . .**

<b>TOMORROW</b>	Rehearsal via Zoom 6pm to 6.30pm <i>details below</i> <b><i>Combined rehearsal with Elementary Choir to be rescheduled</i></b>
<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>
<b>Saturday 27 November</b>	Very Special Kids Christmas Party – Melbourne Showgrounds
<b>Sunday 19 December</b>	NBCA Christmas Concert

**REHEARSAL VIA ZOOM TOMORROW 6pm to 6.30pm (no combined rehearsal with Elementary)**

Due to the current lockdown restrictions in Melbourne, tomorrow's rehearsal will be held via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88054498129?pwd=dVZER0RnRVBwNUhOaThT25ETS9TQT09>

Meeting ID: 880 5449 8129

Passcode: NBCA2021

**Also, please read over and take note of these Zoom points:**

- Have your pencil and scores out of your satchels ready to go
- Have gone through the warm-up videos
- Write your name and choir number into the chat when you arrive (e.g. 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. When we are learning it is important that you remain focused on the musical task.

Please let us know if you have any issues or if you're an apology by emailing the office at [office@nationalboyschoir.com.au](mailto:office@nationalboyschoir.com.au). Mrs de Jonge will be monitoring emails before and during the rehearsal.

*For any boys who are feeling uncertain, worried, angry about being in lockdown again, please be assured that these responses are normal and understandable – please speak to parents, friends, or even contact Lifeline on 13 11 44 or Beyond Blue on 1300 22 4636.*

**HOMEWORK**

To complement our zoom learning program, a virtual rehearsal video has been compiled for the boys to practise with throughout this week. Please download and practise prior to our Zoom session tomorrow.

<https://readycloud.netgear.com/client/dllink.html#t=12ekphizfcq6ad5cnyn5fioxu1j/NBCA%20T2%20Junior%20Choir%202021%20Wk%208%20Rehearsal%20Video.mp4>

Password: NBCA2021

*ALL weekly circulars will be forwarded via email (unless advised otherwise)*

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Tracks have also been provided with access via the choir webpage for your practicing convenience.

**Repertoire for our Winter Concert:**

- ★ Wadawurrung – All Part 2
- ★ For the Children – All Part 1
- ★ Singabahambayo – All Part 1
- ★ Drunken Sailor (either Part 1 or 2 – see list above)
- ★ Take These Wings (either Part 1 or 2 – see list above)

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

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

**\*\*UPDATE\*\* VOICE PARTS**

It has been wonderful to hear each chorister sing individually. This is part of the process for assessing each boy's skill level and to place them into parts for the Winter Concert.

Voice parts have been allocated as follows:

<b>Part 1</b>	<b>Part 2</b>
Sebastian (2)	Ethan A (1)
Samar (3)	Alan (9)
Moses (4)	Jacob (10)
Noah (5)	Sammy (13)
Daniel (6)	Charlie (14)
Matthew (7)	Steven K (16)
Sasha (8)	Tate (17)
Carter (12)	Zachary (18)
Sean (20)	Henry (19)
Kai (21)	Ryan L (23)
Thurston (22)	Shahan (25)
Adi (27)	James (26)
Dean (33)	Miguel (28)
Trin (34)	Noah (29)
Derick (35)	Ryan S (31)
Colin (38)	Lucas (36)
Harry (39)	Joshua (37)
Toby (40)	

**Miguel (J28) please stay online at the end of the Zoom rehearsal tomorrow to confirm your voice part.**



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#### SOLO AUDITIONS

“For the Children” has the opportunity for a small group solo of Junior Choristers. Please chat with your son and if they are interested, they will need to let Ms Brook know this week. Over the coming weeks a time will be arranged to listen to choristers for this opportunity.

#### 2021 AUDITIONS

Auditions for our July 2021 and January 2022 intake are on now. If you know anybody who might be interested, please ask them to visit our website [www.nationalboyschoir.com.au](http://www.nationalboyschoir.com.au) or email [auditions@nationalboyschoir.com.au](mailto:auditions@nationalboyschoir.com.au).

#### VERY SPECIAL KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY

This is an annual performance at the Royal Melbourne Showgrounds for the Junior Choristers, run by Very Special Kids, a charity for children with life-threatening illnesses.

Please save the date now – Saturday 27 November – times and other details will be published soon.

Find out more about Very Special Kids from their website: <https://www.vsk.org.au/who-we-are>

#### Friendly reminders...

- ✓ **ESSENTIAL:** Junior rehearsal via Zoom tomorrow (use music from your satchels)
- ✓ **ESSENTIAL:** Practise with virtual rehearsal video and focus on homework repertoire
- ✓ **URGENT:** J28 to remain on the Zoom call for their voice parts
- ✓ **URGENT:** Expressions of Interest for solo auditions
- ✓ Join the NBCA Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/843853609551876>
- ✓ Entertainment Memberships now available to purchase [www.entbook.com.au/181d541/](http://www.entbook.com.au/181d541/)