



NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR
OF AUSTRALIA

Junior Choristers Circular No. 18

Tuesday 15 June 2021

DATES ON THE HORIZON . . .

TOMORROW	Rehearsal at NBCA Studios 6:00pm to 7:15pm
Wednesday 21 July	Combined rehearsal with Elementary Choir 5:15pm to 6:45pm <i>note times!</i>
Wednesday 18 August	Combined rehearsal with Elementary Choir 5:15pm to 6:45pm <i>note times!</i>
Sunday 22 August	NBCA Winter Concert – <i>note revised date!</i>
Saturday 27 November	Very Special Kids Christmas Party – Melbourne Showgrounds
Sunday 19 December	NBCA Christmas Concert

REHEARSAL – WE ARE BACK IN THE STUDIO!

With the lockdown ended we can return to rehearsals at Pilgrim Court.

Please take note of our COVID-19 plan:

- Please drop boys off in the car park: doors will open 5 minutes before rehearsal is due to start
- Masks must be worn by anyone over 12 years of age, unless an exemption applies
- If you cannot attend, please contact the office on 9872 4480 or office@nationalboyschoir.com.au
- The office and toilets will be available, after rehearsal has started
- The foyer waiting area will be closed

If anyone in your household is sick, or has been to an exposure site, please do not come to choir.

****NEW** NEXT WEEK – Wednesday 23rd June**

A special guest will be joining us for rehearsal next week.

We ask that you please wear something comfortable that you can move in (not jeans) and closed toe shoes (runners). All choristers should also bring a water bottle.

***UPDATE* WINTER CONCERT & COMBINED REHEARSALS**

Regrettably, the lockdown has made the planned July 24 date for the Winter Concert impossible, and we have once again had to be nimble in rescheduling. We apologise for any inconvenience – but these changes are driven by forces out of our control.

The Winter Concert is being held at George Wood Performing Arts Centre (Yarra Valley Grammar) on the new date of **Sunday, 22 August**.

The Winter Concert and the associated combined rehearsals are now scheduled as follows:

Wednesday 21 July	Combined rehearsal	5:15pm to 6:45pm	Pilgrim Court
Wednesday 18 August	Combined rehearsal	5:15pm to 6:45pm	Pilgrim Court
Sunday 22 August	WINTER CONCERT	3:30 pm	George Wood PAC

Full rehearsal details for the Winter Concert will be finalised shortly.



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HOMework

Please continue to practise your pieces with the focus being on memorisation. We will be performing all our music from memory at the Winter Concert.

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)

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:

Part 1	Part 2
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)	



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Miguel (J28) we will listen to you during the rehearsal on Wednesday at the studio to confirm your voice part.

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. We will be beginning our listening with choristers this week during rehearsal.

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 or email 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:** Note revised dates, times and venue for the Winter Concert
- ✓ **ESSENTIAL:** Casual comfortable clothes and closed shoes for next week’s rehearsal
- ✓ Join the NBCA Facebook group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/843853609551876>
- ✓ Entertainment Memberships now available to purchase www.entbook.com.au/181d541/