



# NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR OF AUSTRALIA

## Junior Choristers Circular No. 27

Tuesday 01 September 2021

### DATES ON THE HORIZON . . .

**TOMORROW** Rehearsal via Zoom 6:00 – 6:45pm

**Saturday 27 November** Very Special Kids Christmas Party – Melbourne Showgrounds

**Sunday 19 December** NBCA Christmas Concert

### THIS WEEK'S REHEARSAL via Zoom

Rehearsal for Junior Choristers will continue **ONLINE** tomorrow, finishing a little later **6:00pm to 6:45pm**. Rehearsals will remain online until restrictions allow us to return to the studio.

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

Meeting ID: 880 5449 8129 Passcode: NBCA2021



**THEME:** It was great to see the boys celebrating Book Week last Wednesday – there were some creative costumes and a variety of genres represented 😊. The Staff had so much fun they are throwing another challenge out to the Junior choristers this week – tomorrow has been designated **Crazy Hair Day!** Let's see what you come up with – let your creativity explode – will staff recognise you behind your 'do'?

### Virtual Rehearsal Room points to action:

- Write your name and choir number into the chat when you arrive (e.g. Joe Smith E 19)
- 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 or use a blurred background)
- Have parents nearby
- Use earphones/headphones as necessary

There is no need to bring your sheet music or satchel to rehearsal. All music required will be presented on the screen (visual/aural).

The chat feature on Zoom is only to be used for direct questions/answers to the NBCA staff.

### HOMEWORK

Complete the rehearsal video with new Semester 2 and Christmas music and sing through your memorised winter concert repertoire.

### Week 8 Rehearsal Video:

#### Junior Choir

<https://readycloud.netgear.com/client/dllink.html#t=1exc61w1uputi0a57my4as4hhzw/T3%20Junior%20Choir%20Rehearsal%20Video%20Wk%208.mp4>

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

<https://nationalboyschoir.com.au/choir-community/>



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**Repertoire for our Winter Concert recording:**

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

**Repertoire for Semester 2 and Christmas Concert\***

- ★ Do you hear what I hear?
- ★ The Christmas Clock
- ★ Jubilate, Sing with Joy
- ★ Jolly Old St. Nicholas
- ★ Mince Pie or a Pudding
- ★ Turkeys United

\*Tracks and sheet music will be uploaded over the coming weeks to assist with learning, alongside the rehearsal videos provided while we are in remote learning.

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

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

**Apologies**

If your son is unable to attend the rehearsal this week, please email [office@nationalboyschoir.com.au](mailto:office@nationalboyschoir.com.au). The inbox will be monitored during each day this week and during the rehearsal times as normal.

**OFFICE**

The office will remain closed until the end of the lockdown and staff members are working from home.

Email is the best way to contact the Choir during the lockdown – we will be able to phone you back if you leave your number in your message: [office@nationalboyschoir.com.au](mailto:office@nationalboyschoir.com.au)

**\*\*UPDATE\*\* TERM 3 FEES**

Term 3 invoices went home on July 14 and were payable at the end of last month. We urge you attend to payment. 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).



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### **\*\*UPDATE\*\* BUNNINGS SAUSAGE SIZZLE – Saturday 4 September**

The Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings is looking very unlikely to go ahead. At this stage we are considering the BBQ cancelled for this weekend ☹️

### AUDITIONS



### It starts with an audition...

The National Boys Choir of Australia is currently holding **auditions** for boys in years 1 and 2, for our January 2022 intake. Auditions are free, informal, and take only a few minutes, and will run in September and October 2021. If you would like to arrange an appointment for your son, or know someone else who might be interested, please visit our website:

[www.nationalboyschoir.com.au](http://www.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:** Tomorrow's rehearsal via Zoom (note times)
- ✓ **URGENT:** Check your records to ensure you've paid your Term 3 fees
- ✓ Can you volunteer for the next Bunnings sausage sizzle?
- ✓ Join the [NBCA Facebook group](#)
- ✓ Entertainment Memberships now available to [purchase](#)