



NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR  
OF AUSTRALIA

**Junior Choristers Circular No. 28**

Tuesday 07 September 2021

**DATES ON THE HORIZON . . .**

<b>TOMORROW</b>	<b>Rehearsal via Zoom 5:00pm to 5:45pm</b>
<b>NEXT WEEK</b>	<b>Talent Show and End of Term 3 Party with Elementary at <u>5:30pm</u></b>
<b>Wednesday 6 October</b>	First rehearsal for Term 4 (times and format TBC)
<b>Saturday 27 November</b>	Very Special Kids Christmas Party – Melbourne Showgrounds
<b>Sunday 19 December</b>	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: PJ's**

**Practically perfect people**

**Always appear**

**Joyous and jolly**

**Among amigos**

**Mastering music**

**And**

**Singing with friends . . . in your pajamas ☺**



Now that's a start – let's see who can make a clever little 'poem' using the letters in **PAJAMAS** ☺ We may have a prize or two for those who can create and recite in their PJ's! Don't forget to bring a pencil and sheet of paper, too.



**Virtual Rehearsal Room points to action:**

- Write your name and choir number into the chat when you arrive (e.g. Joe Smith J19)
- 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 and 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).

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

**HOMEWORK**

Complete the rehearsal video for practice. Find the three mystery words for this week and bring along to Wednesday's rehearsal. The staff will ask through rehearsal for the choristers to share these.

**Week 9 Rehearsal Video:**

**Junior Choir**

<https://readycloud.netgear.com/client/dllink.html#t=1j8ms4kbs9ddcvggx4lwni1kvu2/T3%20Junior%20Choir%20Rehearsal%20Video%20Wk%209.mp4>

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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 is uploaded on the choir website for you to access.

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

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



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#### **\*\*NEW\*\* Next Week's Rehearsal for Last Week of Term 3**

Next week's rehearsal will be a combined rehearsal starting at **5.30pm (via Zoom)** and will end once we finish all the performances, etc for both Elementary and Junior choirs.

**★★ Theme: Talent Show and End of Term 3 Party (wear your party clothes!) ★★**

We are looking for choristers to share with us all their special skills and talents – play a piece on an instrument, tell a joke, share some artwork etc... Please complete this very short survey so you can let us know what skill or talent your chorister will present. Your responses are due by **5:00pm Monday 13 September**. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B767Z52>

Bring a snack to eat while we enjoy each other sharing their talents!

#### **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)

#### **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:

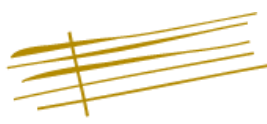
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**VERY SPECIAL KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

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:** Tomorrow's theme is PJ's so come to rehearsal prepared!
- ✓ **URGENT:** Talent Show and End of Term 3 Party next week from 5:30pm via Zoom  
(Don't forget to complete the survey!)
- ✓ Join the [NBCA Facebook group](#)
- ✓ Entertainment Memberships now available to [purchase](#)