



# NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR OF AUSTRALIA

## Elementary Choristers Circular No. 32

Tuesday 19 October 2021

### DATES ON THE HORIZON . . .

<b>TOMORROW!</b>	<b>Rehearsal via Zoom 5pm to 5:45pm</b>
<b>Saturday 18 December</b>	3:00 pm NBCA Christmas Concert 1 5:00 pm NBCA Christmas Concert 2
<b>Sunday 19 December</b>	2:00 pm NBCA Christmas Concert 4

### THIS WEEK'S REHEARSAL via Zoom

Due to the lockdown, rehearsal for Elementary Choristers will continue **ONLINE** tomorrow 5pm to 5:45pm on Zoom (please note start and finish times).

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

Meeting ID: 880 5449 8129      Passcode: NBCA2021

### 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)
- Have parents nearby
- Use earphones/headphones as necessary

There is no need to bring your sheet music or satchel to Zoom 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.

### VACCINES

Despite the announcement of the ending of Lockdown this week, we will have to remain on Zoom for a little while longer, at least until the state hits the 80% vaccinated mark. If you have not already done so, we encourage you to get as many of your family as are eligible vaccinated as soon as possible – there will almost certainly be aspects of choir in the next few weeks which will rely on family members being fully vaccinated.

Information about vaccinations can be found here: <https://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/vaccine>

### HOMEWORK

Complete the rehearsal video for practice. Your challenge this week is to see how many of the pieces you can sing without looking at the music on the screen. Aim to practise with the video at least 4 times in the next week.

### NEW LINK: Term 4 Repertoire Rehearsal Videos for download - Elementary Choir

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

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



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This new link includes rehearsal videos for 'Once in royal David's city' and the 'Christmas Singalong'.

### Repertoire:

- ★ For the Children – Part 2
- ★ Singabahambayo – Part 2
- ★ Miracle of Lights
- ★ Solfege Santa
- ★ Jubilate, Sing with Joy
- ★ Jolly Old St. Nicholas
- ★ Mince Pie or a Pudding
- ★ Turkeys United
- ★ NEW: Christmas Singalong

\*Tracks and sheet music are uploaded on the choir website for you to access.

### TERM 4 FEES

Term 4 invoices were issued last week and are due on Friday, October 29. Your assistance in paying your invoice by the due date would be appreciated.

If you wish to talk about payment issues, please contact our Treasurer, Colin Seedy via [treasurer@nationalboyschoir.com.au](mailto:treasurer@nationalboyschoir.com.au).

### 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 under the terms of the Roadmap, and staff members will continue working from home, except that Zoom classes are now being broadcast from the studios. 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)



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### AUDITIONS

If you know anyone who might be interested in auditioning, please direct them to our website.



### It starts with an audition...

The National Boys Choir of Australia is currently holding **online 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 through October 2021. Since 1964 NBCA has offered unique musical experiences for boys, with outstanding performance opportunities and vocal training, in a professional, supportive and friendly environment. For more information, or to arrange an audition appointment, please visit our website:

[www.nationalboyschoir.com.au](http://www.nationalboyschoir.com.au)



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### Friendly reminders...

- ✓ **ESSENTIAL:** Rehearsal tomorrow on Zoom at 5pm to 5:45pm
- ✓ **URGENT:** Homework items and video viewing
- ✓ Term 4 fees due October 29
- ✓ Do you know someone who wants to audition for the NBCA? Appointments now available
- ✓ Join the [NBCA Facebook group](#)