



NATIONAL BOYS CHOIR
— OF AUSTRALIA —
Celebrating 60 Years

Performing Choristers Circular No.19

Tuesday 25 June 2024

If your son or anyone at home is sick, please **do not come** to choir

Dates on the horizon <i>Friday studio rehearsals are always scheduled unless otherwise notified</i>			
JUNE			
Wed 26	7:00 pm	Combined Boys' Choir Concert	St Patrick's Cathedral
		<i>See details below</i>	
Friday 28	6:50 – 9:30 pm	TOUR CHOIR only	
Saturday 29	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS BEGIN		
JULY			
Tuesday 2	10:00 am	Foyer painting working bee	
Sunday 7	3:00 – 5:00 pm	TOUR CHOIR only	
8 – 14	AOTEAROA NZ TOUR World Choir Games – selected boys		
Friday 19	6:50 pm	First Rehearsal Term 3	
AUGUST			
Friday 30	6:30 pm	WINTER CONCERT	St John's, Camberwell
DECEMBER			
Sun 15	5:00 pm	CHRISTMAS CONCERT	Melbourne Town Hall

Friday 28 June **TOUR CHOIR only** 6:50 – 9:30 pm

****TOMORROW** RAGAZZI BOYS CHORUS IN CONCERT**

Ragazzi Boys Chorus concert at St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne on TOMORROW Wednesday 26 June commencing at **7:00 pm**. All boys in Performing Choir and YMC are involved.

Tickets are \$30, \$25, available here: <https://www.trybooking.com/BRYBS>
Children under 16 years are free of charge



Please click the link to share the [Ragazzi Concert Poster](#)

Details for the choristers are:

Arrive:	4:30 pm (drop off in Cathedral Place, enter via side door)		
Warm-up:	4:45 pm		
Rehearse:	5:00 pm	Performing Choir	
	5:30 pm	YMC	
	6:00 pm	Combined Choirs	
Wear:	Streetwear (long-sleeved white shirt, jacket & tie, taupe trousers, black shoes, socks & belt)		
Repertoire:	J'entends, Sih'r khalaaq, Butterflying, Our Father, Owl & the Pussycat		
Bring:	Satchel with music, water bottle		
	Subway dinner provided		
Concert:	7:00 pm		
Depart:	End of concert (8:30 pm approx.)		

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****NEW** LOGIE AWARD NOMINATION**

Vision Australia's *Carols By Candlelight 2023* has been nominated for a Logie Award for "Best Entertainment Program" – featuring us! (along with a few others...)

If you would like to vote for Carols to win the Logie, please visit <https://www.tvweeklogies.com.au/>

****NEW** FOYER PAINTING**

We're hoping to tart up the foyer with a fresh coat of paint next Tuesday 2 July from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you are available and would like to join in, please let the [Office](#) know.

****NEW** RECRUITMENT**

Every year we try to fill 50 places in the Elementary choir with new choristers. This means we need to audition several hundred boys: but since COVID it has become harder to achieve those numbers.

We need your help to audition boys in Grades 1 & 2!

- Please contact your son's school music teacher and/or Principal to help us schedule auditions
- Please pass the word on to family and friends that auditions are happening
- Please think about your son making a short video (10 seconds) of something he likes about choir – we'll use these on social media. Please send it to the office. Parent videos or comments are also welcome!
- Any other suggestions – please let us know!

****UPDATE** CAR PARK**

You will notice the grassed area has been taped off to avoid any further unwanted car tyre damage. Please use marked car park spaces, do not park in front of rollers doors and if the car park is full, there is ample parking in the street. *Here endeth this week's lesson . . .* 😞

****UPDATE** AOETEAROA NZ TOUR**

Passports MUST be in no later than Friday 28 June.

Also needs to be in on Friday 28th

- The return of ALL forms – HECs, **Acceptable Use** and **Parent Permission** etc (if you haven't already) Paperwork needs to be processed! 🙋
- **Pocket money** – amount (in NZ\$10 notes) in envelope clearly marked with chorister's name (*this was due last Friday*)

Tour repertoire: it is vital that all Tour choristers spend time singing through with the rehearsal tracks, to ensure accuracy and memory. A few boys are singing different parts!

Tracks are here [PERFORMING CHOIR](#)

Tour jackets and beanies went home Friday – remember EVERYTHING needs to be named 😊



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HOMEWORK

ALL boys (not just tour boys) must spend some time learning the newer music in preparation for the Winter Concert – Friday 30 August. Tracks are here [PERFORMING CHOIR](#) - all tracks are now available

****NEW** A SINGING OPPORTUNITY**

Babirra Music Theatre are currently running auditions for GYPSY. They are looking for boys for their Junior Cast. <https://babirra.org.au/class/gypsy-auditions/>

MONDAY SECTIONALS

Sectional rehearsals are held most Mondays from 5:00 - 6:30 pm during the school term.

Term 3

July

- Monday 15 NO REHEARSAL
- Monday 22 5:00 - 6:30 pm Alto in 2 Part
- Monday 29* 5:00 - 6:30 pm Sop 1 in 3-part (*AnB away*)

August

- Monday 5* 5:00 - 6:30 pm Sop 2 in 3-part (*AnB away*)
- Monday 12 5:00 - 6:30 pm Alto in 3-part
- Monday 19 5:00 - 6:30 pm Soprano in 2-part
- Monday 26 5:00 – 7:00 pm ALL BOYS ***note later finish**

September

- Monday 2 NO REHEARSAL
- Monday 9 5:00 - 6:30 pm Soprano in 2-part
- Monday 16 5:00 - 6:30 pm Alto in 2-part

Monday rehearsals are not optional or “extra”, and all boys are expected to attend whenever scheduled

INVOICES

Term fees are paid at the beginning of term. Prompt payment is appreciated. Any queries, please phone the office or email Liz at accounts@nationalboyschoir.com.au

END OF TERM

Last night's full choir rehearsal was the last for second term – NZ Tour Choir will rehearsal this Friday, 28 June 7:00 - 9:30 pm.

We wish everyone a happy and safe term break – let's hope we shake all those coughs and colds that have been hanging around at the end of this term.

And we wish the New Zealand Tour Choir a happy and successful time away.

We look forward to seeing you all back next term **Friday 19 July** for rehearsal 6:50 - 9:30 pm.

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Thursday 30 May 2024

RUBBISH

The disposal of our rubbish has changed. 😊

Wheely bins: **Yellow lid** – for all our recycling (clean plastics, bottles, cardboard, paper etc.)

Red Lid – continues to be landfill refuse

Inside: Regular **black rubbish bin** at the front door – landfill refuse

Currently cardboard box beside the black bin – recycling

We encourage everyone to dispose of their rubbish responsibly.

FUNDRAISING

• Hope in a Suitcase

Is a non-profit organisation run entirely by passionate and dedicated volunteers and through donations of new items from the community, and the generosity of groups and corporations. Since its beginning in 2018, the charity has grown to be able to provide suitcases for children going into foster care or out-of-home care, throughout NSW, Queensland, Victoria and Tasmania. <https://www.hiasc.org.au/>

With our Lids4Kids collection currently suspended, we would like to channel our charity energies to **Hope in a Suitcase**. We hope to share more information next term.

• Lids4Kids – Collection temporarily suspended

A reminder, the collection for Lids4Kids has been temporarily suspended until we can find a suitable collection point. Watch this space 😊

• CDS Victorian Container Deposit Scheme

Have you nominated the **National Boys Choir of Australia** as the recipient of your recycled deposit? If you have difficulty allocating your donation of bottles and cans to NBCA via the CDS Container Deposit Scheme app – you can simply accept the receipt from the machine and either cash it in at Coles and give to Choir or hand the receipt to choir and it will be added to our donations. - Every little bit helps 😊

DONATIONS

NBCA is a not-for profit organization with registered charitable status.

Any donations of \$2 or over are tax-deductible. If you would like to make a difference to the NBCA by donating, please contact the office on office@nationalboyschoir.com.au or make a deposit to:

NAB **BSB** 083 166 **Account Number** 66241 0199

A receipt will be issued.

NBCA SOCIAL PAGES

You can connect with the National Boys Choir of Australia via our socials, too:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/nationalboyschoir/>

Parents' Facebook Group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/843853609551876/>



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