

(Not so secret) Librarian Business

Music Issue

Music scores will be issued to each chorister after payment of annual membership fee and registration for the concert. Make a note of the issue number as the copy issued to you remains your responsibility until it is returned to the Librarian. You are advised to write your name in 2B pencil inside the front cover – all the scores look the same and are easily mixed up in a busy rehearsal room!

While every effort is made to ensure that all issued music is correct, there will inevitably be a few errors that will slip through. If you are missing anything please let one of the Librarians know during the break.

Care of Music

Please take excellent care of your score – many are borrowed from other choirs and need to be returned in at least the same condition they were received. In particular you should only use a 2B pencil to make markings on the score – these markings must be erased before the score is returned. Please do not use any highlighting pens, even if they say that they can be erased – these pens have proven very difficult to erase and significantly reduce the lifespan and usefulness of scores.

You will need to place your music in a plain black folder for the performance (but please don't hole punch your score) – you might wish to put your music into this folder for rehearsals so that you can get used to holding it comfortably. As soon as we know the running order, rehearsal time can be saved if you sort your music out appropriately. Where there is a lot of music it can be helpful to use two folders – one for each half of the performance.

Copyright

Your assistance in compliance with Copyright Act is required – the choir may be liable for hefty fines if we contravene the laws; random checks can occur at any time during rehearsals and performances. The choir undertakes to provide you with a legitimate score for use in rehearsal or performance. You may copy small amounts of the score for personal rehearsal purposes eg if there is a difficult page turn or you wish to mark a particular section. If you are using a copy you must be able to produce the legitimate score issued to you at any time – so don't forget to bring that original score with you to rehearsals and the performance! Any additional copies you make must be destroyed immediately after the performance.

Music Return

All music must be returned at the end of the final performance - no exemptions!
Boxes will be provided in the choir room for this purpose.

Where there are multiple pieces to be returned separate boxes will be provided marked with the title of each individual piece. To streamline the process and make it easier for everyone you are asked to remove music from your folders and collate it in order of performance before passing along the table dropping each score into its relevant box – please, please, please do not hover around the table while removing music from your folder; this will obstruct the flow and slow down the process for everyone, including yourself!

Finally, have fun at the rehearsals, practice hard and revel in making fine music with
and for friends, family and the community!