



# ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL SOUTHWARK

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## To parents of members of St George's Cathedral Girls' Choir

Dear Parents

We have had some glowing compliments on the Girls' Choir singing during Passiontide and Easter, and I am delighted at the impact their voices are now making in the Cathedral. They seem to have adapted well to the new stalls, and all seems set for continuing success.

The principal purpose of this letter is to give further dates of holidays, so these appear below. Please do pin this letter up in a prominent place at home, so you can refer to it easily. We still have a few girls failing to appear when expected, who then claim that they didn't know, which is no excuse. Having said that, there is now only a small minority of girls who are habitually late or unreliable in their attendance, or inattentive during rehearsals, and they need to be aware that their places in the choir are not guaranteed for life.

I am pleased to say that the Girls' Choir robes are now stored in the Song Room, as are girls' own coats etc during Sunday Mass, affording better security. I am trying to find some suitable supporting blocks, so that the longer robes are suspended clear of the floor. Ideally it should be possible for the Cathedral to arrange for cleaning of robes, but this seems to be a long-term sticking point. In view of the current state of the robes, if parents would like to take them home for a quick wash, this would be appreciated, but is not mandatory! If you would also like to fix a secure name-label, that could also be beneficial. My thanks for your help in this area.

All being well we shall hold our annual concert in the Day Chapel on Wednesday 22 June at 6.30. This is an opportunity for the girls to play and sing their own solos, as well as some ensemble items. Please check this date and let me know of any musical items to be included. Help with refreshments is always appreciated!

### Remaining dates for Summer Term

**Wednesday 25 May  
to Sunday 5 June inclusive - Half-term holiday**

**Wednesday 8 June - Choir rehearsal at 6.30 pm**

**Sunday 12 June - Choir sings at 10.00 Mass**

**Then normal Wednesday rehearsals and Sunday Masses**

**Sunday 19 June - Trinity Sunday & Confirmation**

**Wednesday 22 June - Concert in the Day Chapel at 6.30 pm (to be confirmed)**

**Sunday 10 July - Choir sings at 10.00 Mass for last time until September**

**☺ Summer break ☀ until September ☺**

**Wednesday 7 September - Choir rehearsal at 6.30 pm**

**Normal Wednesday rehearsals and Sunday Masses**

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With thanks and all good wishes

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