

Choristers' News

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Congratulations 2009

BROUGHTON BOYS SHINE IN NORTHERN AUDITIONS

No fewer than ten of our Choristers have been offered places in the Northern Cathedral Singers for the 2009 season.

We are naturally delighted for these young singers, and wish them well as they join with boys from Choirs throughout the North of England in this prestigious Choir.

Trips to Durham, Chester, St Asaph and Liverpool are all in their programme, giving them the opportunity to see and sing in some of the North's grandest, and in the case of St Asaph, smallest Cathedrals.



... and whilst on the subject of auditions

Congratulations to the **thirteen** boys who auditioned successfully for places in **Broughton Choir in September**. Some have already taken up their places... the rest are waiting patiently for vacancies to occur!



TOP NATIONAL AWARD FOR BROUGHTON BOYS

We were delighted to receive the news early in December that two of our principal soloists had been successful in the examination for the Royal School of Church Music's highest award for boy Choristers, the **St Nicholas Award**.



Clearly the examiner was pretty impressed by the performance of our two boys; both reports included numerous references to 'sensitivity to the demands of the music, lovely tone and good technique'. They now join three other Broughton trebles who currently hold this prestigious award, as well as numerous young men who now sing in the adult section of the Choir.

... but this wasn't the only good news!

Just one week later, we learnt of the success of eight more of our Choristers in the Diocesan Examinations for the **Dean's and Bishop's Awards**.

These Choristers also deserve our congratulations. Success requires not only dedicated practice of the set pieces but also quite a bit a bit of revision in preparation for the 'theory' section of the half hour examination.

... and there's more! Winchester Cathedral

Last year it was Ely and Kings Cambridge; this year four of our talented young singers, have been invited by the Royal School of Church Music to sing the Services at **Winchester Cathedral** for a week at the end of August.