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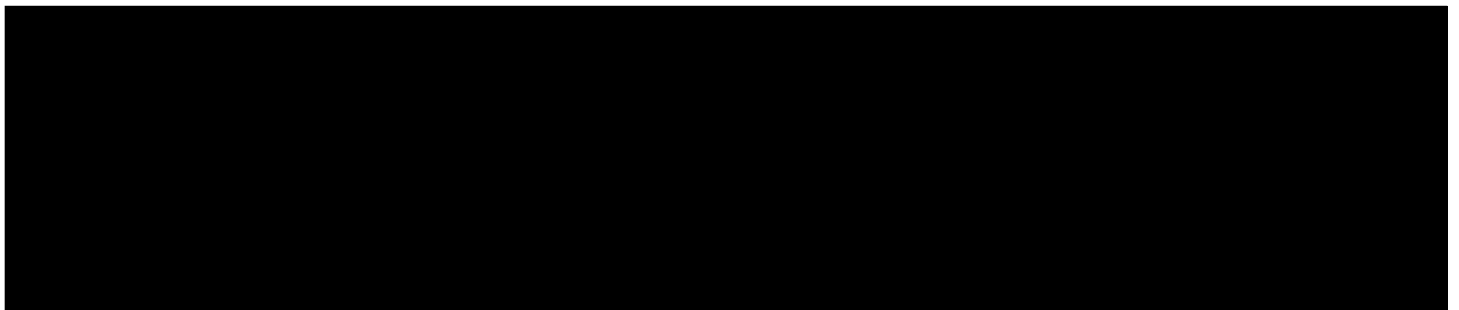
Young Men Together in Song

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While we might not admit to it, we all do it. It might be with your mates on a Friday night, on the long family road trip, to your Spotify playlist as you do chores or in the shower with no shame. We all sing.

The sound of men together in song is like nothing else. Men singing together presents unified strength and exposes emotional vulnerability. The camaraderie displayed in groups of men singing is often compared to that of sports teams. If you attend a Welsh rugby match, expect to be swept up in the passion of thousands of men and woman singing in spontaneous harmony in support of their team.





All ATC boys participate in singing as members of our College community. The College Song is regularly sung at assemblies in celebration of achievements and singing is recognised as another form of prayer during our liturgical ceremonies. Our classroom music program leads students to deeper musical understanding initially through singing. Our jazz bands and growing in-house rock bands feature developing solo vocalists. In addition, 1 in 10 boys at ATC sings as part of the Choral Program and/or studies one-on-one specialised voice tuition. Young men are together in song at ATC.




The month of May presents a terrific program to hear the young men of ATC in song. Last Wednesday we heard vocal soloists at the Vocal, Guitar and Piano Concert perform courageously to family and friends. Next Monday (21 May), Junior Choir will travel to Mansfield State High School and compete in the Queensland Youth Music Awards. This is a wonderful opportunity for these boys to experience singing in a friendly external environment and listen to other similar ensembles. QYMA is an annual highlight for Junior Choir.

The ATC Chamber Choir has been invited to perform Requiem by Gabriel Fauré with the University of Queensland Symphony Orchestra, their Chorale and 400 other school students at the QPAC Concert Hall on Sunday 27 May. This 35-minute performance of a Catholic Funeral Mass is Fauré's most famous

composition. Performing alongside aspiring professional musicians to a sold-out audience of 1800 people promises to leave boys with long lasting memories.

On Wednesday May 30, all our ATC choristers have been invited to perform at the St Aidan's Anglican Girls' School Gala Choral Concert with the Queensland Kodály Choir. Performing at the beautiful St John's Cathedral, this event will bring three communities together in song. ATC Senior Singers are excited to perform *With Cat Like Tread* from *Pirates of Penzance* by Gilbert and Sullivan.





For all boys and families involved in these performances, please refer to the College App for detailed event information. If your son would like to be involved in our Choral Program at the College, please do not hesitate to contact me as he is most welcome!

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