

Apprentice Choir: SMD Club Requirements

These exercises are practiced during Apprentice Choir rehearsals. These three notes (dms) make up the tonic triad, the most important chord in music.

Children may audition for the SMD Club before or after rehearsal each week. There is no limit on how many times they can try!

SMD Club members receive certificates at Awards Day and are listed in our Spring Concert Program. The DMS Club is usually featured in a song during our Christmas Concert. Outstanding Musician and Leadership awards are chosen from the SMD Club Members.

During the Audition, each child will perform the following:

1. Sing the "DMS Song" (from "A Young Singer's Journey Book 1" and on your Apprentice Rehearsal CD) - with hand signs, in tune - in THREE keys: D, F and G major. He/she must be able to get their starting pitch from the piano introduction.

***Practice with your CD to make sure you're singing the d-m-s song correctly.*

2. Sing DMS patterns - a cappella - by following Ms. Barbara's hand signs. These are EXAMPLES - not the test.

Example #1: d s m s Example #2: m d s m Example #3: s m d s

3. Sight-read THREE "dms" patterns on the staff from flash cards.