



**AGC Awards Explained:**

Every year, Auckland Girls' Choir holds a prize giving ceremony which:

- 1. Celebrates the hard work that Choristers have put in during the year**
- 2. Recognises the girls that have worked hard and stood out over the course of the year**
- 3. Provides an opportunity for girls to excel and show performance capability as an individual or small group**

The following Awards are on offer and all Choristers are eligible for any of the awards (except for the award for new choristers only).

Musical Progress and Development Over the Course of the Year	Has worked hard to improve throughout the year: learning words and movement, taking direction from the Music Director and putting these into action. Learning vocal technique, vowel placement and be able to do them all the time, then move on to breathing and breath support when singing. Good facial expression and interpretation of the song when singing.
Musical Progress for a New Chorister	New Chorister that shows good progress through the year for musical ability – sight reading, understanding her singing parts well, learning her words and settling in well with her peers.
Loyalty and Commitment	Goes the extra mile for the Choir, particularly with respect to attending rehearsals, workshops and performances. Puts Choir matters before other activities and demonstrates a strong commitment to the Choir through their actions and words. Has been a member of the choir for more than 2 years.
Valued Service	Has been a member of the Choir for more than 3 years, shows pride in being a member of the Choir and actively contributes to the everyday running of the Choir.
Most Improved Choristers	Choristers that have consistently shown improvement week on week and maintained consistency with learning; they generally exude confidence and is an example to others.
Leadership Awards	Chorister(s) that shows leadership potential and/or demonstrates leadership qualities. Is proactive in showing care for the welfare of the girls and identifying girls who need encouragement and assistance. Contributes, through ideas and actions, towards the betterment of AGC and assisting the Board with matters related to the Choir.
All Round Excellence and Progress	This award recognises progress in all aspects of singing, especially in relation to technique and music fundamentals, and steadily works through the levels awards. The Chorister also proactively supports the Choir in non-choral matters, such as, setting up for an event, assisting the Director of Music and Choir Manager during rehearsals and



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	events, and showing a proactive attitude towards making choir an enjoyable and fun place to be.
Head Chorister Awards	Awarded to the Head Chorister(s) of the year.
Embodies The Spirit of Auckland Girls' Choir	Awarded to the Chorister who, at all times in in-house and public situations, demonstrates, with professionalism and pride, the key attributes of: musicality, fun, commitment, hard work, friendliness and caring. She also shows that she is a great ambassador for Auckland and a worthy representative of the Auckland Girls' Choir.
Long Service	Chorister that has been with us the longest – accumulated up to and including the year they leave (usually more than 5 years qualifies).
Cook Family Cup for Leadership	Leadership and being a role model in all aspects the Choir, particularly with singing but also in other areas of raising the Choir to a higher and better level.
Christine Fletcher Community Services Award	Displays a genuine community spirit and is an ambassador for the Choir in all situations especially when dealing with the public. Also shows an empathy towards community projects and seeks out ways for AGC to interact with the community.
Lawson Cup for Musicianship	Given to the all-round singer who has developed good tone production and can lead solo work. Has great understanding and appreciation of music (theory included).
Blues Award in Musicianship	For a Chorister to organise, train and conduct a group up to the point of performing in front of an audience. See separate sheet for criteria.