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Dear Friend of WCS

This is the most unusual “welcome to a new season” letter I have written in the years during which it has been my privilege to interact with you.

Hopefully all of you have remained well and healthy during our months of lockdown and our gradual return to whatever our new normality is going to be.

*I feel we should mark the start of a new Musical Season even one when we have no date for our first rehearsal and no real idea as to when we will be able to meet and sing, so – **Welcome Back**.*

Of one thing I can assure you. Life is not the same without WCS. We miss the music, the singing, rehearsing, performing, you our faithful supporters, and we miss the friendships and interactions that are involved with, and in, all the above.

*When last I wrote it was hoped our Summer Concert would proceed. This was not to be. Currently the combination of not being able to rehearse and of keeping our distance from each other and from our audience means that, realistically and regretfully, it has been accepted that we cannot perform **The Messiah** in November. The piece will comprise our next/first concert - whenever that is.*

*As soon as there is firm information, or guidance, as to when live indoor entertainment can return we will take sensible, and safe, steps to schedule rehearsals and bring you the **joyful news** of our return.*

In the interim, we produced two virtual works during lockdown thanks to Neil and Michael’s sterling efforts. Hopefully you heard of them via those you know in the Choir but, just in case, details are:

*<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WixTdxzOM58>
& <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fnLuN-YI9VQ>*

I hope that you remain well and look forward to seeing you sooner rather than later. Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind Regards

Friends’ Secretary