To:

Children's Chorus and Parents

Re:

Woody Guthrie Tribute

From:

Celeste Jette-Katz, Children's Chorus Director

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1. There are four rehearsals left, including one the day of the performance. It is very important that everyone attend all the remaining rehearsals. The rest of the schedule is listed below; note the rehearsal time change for April 28th. At that time Ellen Schmidt, the director, will assist me from 12:30 to 1:00. The musicians will arrive at 1:00 to practice with the children. The sound system will also be set up. As you can see, this is a very important rehearsal.

Everyone - Chorus, Musicians and Children
Saturday, April 28 12:30 - 6:00 PM First Congregational Church, Bedford * **
Saturday, May 5 2:00 - 6:00 PM First Congregational Church, Bedford * **
Sunday, May 13 1:00 - 5:00 PM Dress rehearsal at Paine Hall
Saturday, May 19 8:00 - 11:00 PM Performance at Paine Hall

- * See childrens' rehearsal times below
- * * First Congregational Church, 25 The Great Road, Bedford (downstairs) Directions to church: Rt. 128 to exit for Rts 4 & 225 (west, toward Bedford). Follow a few miles until Bedford center. Look for a white clapboard church on left just before the junction with Rt. 62.

For April 28th rehearsal, the full rehearsal begins at 2:00 PM; however, the childrens' rehearsal will begin at 12:30 PM. For May 5th rehearsal, the childrens' rehearsal will begin at 3:30 PM.

- 2. The set of words enclosed is to help reduce confusion over what words are being sung, who is singing which verses, and what the order of the songs is. The song order in the performance will be:
 - 1. Sleep Eye
 - 2. Jig Along Home
 - 3. Don't You Push Me Down
 - 4. Mail Myself to You
 - 5. Pick It Up
 - 6. My Daddy (Flies a Ship in the Sky)
- 3. Dress will be casual. Suggestion: bright colored tops or shirts and jean skirts or pants.
- 4. If a tape recording of songs would be helpful, please bring a recorder and blank tape to the next rehearsal.
- 5. If there are any questions, please call me. See you Saturday.

Celeste

SLEEP EYE

[everyone sings all verses and choruses]

CHORUS: Go to sleep, go to sleep,

Go to sleepy little sleep eye. Go to sleep, go to sleep, Go to sleepy little sleep eye.

1. Closey eye, closey eye,

Closey eye my little sugar,

One eye closed and two eyes closed,

Go to sleepy little sleep eye.

CHORUS

2. Dream a dream, dream a dream,

Dream a dream my little sweeter,

Big dream, little dream, gotta go dream,

Go to sleepy little sleep eye.

CHORUS

JIG ALONG HOME

[everyone sings all verses and choruses]

CHORUS: Jig jig a-jig, jig a-jig along home,

Jig jig a-jig, jig a-jig along home, Jig along, Jig along, Jig along home, Jig jig a-jig, jig a-jig along home,

1. I went to a dance and the animals came,

The jaybird danced with horseshoes on,

The grasshopper danced till he fell on the floor,

Jig along, Jig along, Jig along home.

CHORUS

2. Mama rat took off her hat,

Shook the house with the old tom cat, The alligator beat his tail on the drum, Jig along, Jig along home.

CHORUS

3. The nails flew loose and the floor broke down,

Everybody danced around and around,

The house came down the crowd went home,

Jig along, Jig along, Jig along home.

CHORUS

DON'T YOU PUSH ME DOWN

1. Well you can play with me, And you can hold my hand, [everyone]

We can skip together down to the Pretzel man,

You can wear my Mommy's shoes, Put on my Daddy's hat, You can even get laugh at me, But don't you push me down.

CHORUS: Don't you push me, push me, push me,

Don't you push me down,

Don't you push me, push me, push me,

Don't you push me down.

2. You can play with me, We can play all day.

[Jenny Downey]

[everyone]

You can use my dishes, If you put them away. You can feed me apples and oranges and plums.

You can even wash my face, But don't you push me down.

CHORUS:

[everyone]

3. You can play with me, We can build a house,

[Kevin Jette]

You can take my ball and bounce it all around. You can take my skateboard and ride it all around.

You can even get mad at me but don't you push me down.

CHORUS:

MAIL MYSELF TO YOU

CHORUS: I'm gonna wrap myself in paper,

I'm gonna daub myself with glue;
Stick some stamps on top of my head,

I'm gonna mail myself to you.

1. I'm gonna tie me up in a red string,

I'm gonna tie blue ribbons too; I'm gonna climb up in my mailbox, I'm gonna mail myself to you.

2. When you see me in your mailbox,

Cut the strings and let me out;
Wash the glue off of my fingers,
Stick some bubble gum in my mouth.

[Monte & Georgina Brown]

[Monte & Georgina Brown]

CHORUS:

S: [everyone]

3. Take me out of my wrapping paper, Wash the stamps off my head;

Pour me full of ice cream sodas, Put me in my nice warm bed. [Monte & Georgina Brown]

CHORUS:

[everyone]

[everyone]

PICK IT UP

1.	I drop my thumb, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my thumb, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my thumb, Pick it up, pick it up; And put it back with my finger.	[Emily Rand]
2.	I drop my candy, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my candy, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my candy, Pick it up, pick it up; And threw it away in the garbage.	[Emily Rand]
3.	I drop my apple, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my apple, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my apple, Pick it up, pick it up; And wash it clean in the water.	[Peter Jette]
4.	I drop my dolly, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my dolly, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my dolly, Pick it up, pick it up; And lay her back in the cradle.	[Molly Tobin]
5.	I drop my shoe, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my shoe, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my shoe, Pick it up, pick it up; And put it with the other shoe.	[Rachel Fichtenbaum]
6.	I drop my head, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my head, Pick it up, pick it up; I drop my head, Pick it up, pick it up; And put it back on my shoulders.	[Georgina Brown]

MY DADDY (Flies a Ship in the Sky)

1. A curly headed kid with a sun-shiny smile, [everyone] heard the roar of the plane as it sailed through the sky.

To her playmate she cried with her bright twinkling eye,

"Our daddy rides that ship in the sky."

CHORUS: "Our daddy rides that ship in the sky,
Our daddy rides that ship in the sky,
Momma's not afraid and neither am I,
Our daddy rides that ship in the sky."

2. A pug-nosed kid, as he kicked up his heels [Gregory Doucette] said, "My daddy works in the yard and the steel.

My daddy makes planes so they fly throught the sky;
That's what keeps your daddy up there so high."

CHORUS: "That's what keeps your daddy up there so high, That's what keeps your daddy up there so high, You're not afraid, well neither am I, 'cause my daddy keeps your daddy up there so high."

Then a shy little girl pinched her toe in the sand, [Kevin Jette] said, "My daddy works in the place where they land, So you tell your mama - don't be afraid, My dad 'll bring your daddy back home again."

CHORUS: "My dad 'll bring your daddy back home again. [everyone]
My dad 'll bring your daddy back home again.
Don't be afraid if it gets dark and rains,
cause my dad 'll bring your daddy back home again."