



SONG: PALM SUNDAY

Follow the suggested outline.

Formation: Sets of 4 (2 couples), with sets arranged in a circle or semicircle.
Number: Minimum of 8 (2 sets), or larger numbers as space permits. Remainder become an imaginary "bush band" and play instruments, eg. fiddle, accordion, lagerphone

Chorus:

Clap your hands, join our dance *Face partner, 2 claps. "Join" heel right, "dance", heel left. Arms bent, hands on waist*

come sing along with me *Change places with partner*

Clap your hands, take your chance *Repeat as line 1*

you gotta come along and see. *Repeat as line 2*

Branches waving high *"Star" anti-clockwise, L hands into centre and walk*

Branches waving low *"Star" clockwise, right hands into centre and walk*

Hosanna! Hosanna! *Heel right, arms high "V", heel left, arms high "V"*

riding down the road. *Change places with partner*

Clap your hands, join our dance *Repeat as line 1*

bring along all your friends *Repeat as line 2*

Jesus our King is in Jerusalem. *As a foursome, join hands and circle anti-clockwise using a sidestep*

Repeat.

During play-off music, group together as a crowd, run to right side of area and move across the front to the left side calling "Hosanna! Prince of Peace! Jesus! Our King!" while jumping, moving, waving. Turn backs to audience and freeze.

Voice 1: **But Jesus' enemies plotted to kill him. They stirred up the crowd against him. Until one day**

As a crowd still gathered together move upstage and move across facing the back, calling "Blasphemy! Lies! Crucify him! Crucify!" while shaking fists, hands in the air. The crowd gasps as a child takes the crucifix position. The crowd moves back and sits down.

DRAMA: JESUS THE CRUCIFIED

A spoken piece suitable for individual voices or for choral speaking.

Characters: Jesus and the crowd.
Props: Jesus - red costume (optional) and red crepe paper strips
Number: Any number.

Group/Voice 1: **They crucified Jesus.** *A child is in the crucifix position - arms out head bowed and leg bent. Children hang crepe paper strips over Jesus' arms, sensitively, solemnly and unhurriedly, as each line is spoken.*

Group/Voice 2: **The man of love.**

Group/Voice 3: **The healer.**

Group/Voice 4: **The miracle worker.**

Group/Voice 5: **The carpenter from Nazareth.**

All: **They crucified the man God had sent.**
Jesus slowly sinks to knees, then face and hands to floor

