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Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 4,

We are delighted to inform you that all Year 4 children in DSAT will be coming together for a special celebration event at Salisbury Cathedral on Wednesday 18th October 2023. Today, the children took part in a workshop, with a group called iSingPop, who will be teaching them a number of action songs that celebrate our unity, diversity and strength as we commence the celebrations of the 10th Anniversary of DSAT. Some schools will be joining together for these workshop sessions.

This will culminate in a concert at the cathedral, with around 700 children altogether, on Wednesday 18th October from 2.00-2.45pm (doors will open at 1.45pm). Children will be later finishing school this day – collection will be 4:30pm from school. Children will be required to wear school uniform and provide a disposable lunch box. Any hot lunches ordered will be substituted for a packed lunch.

The costs of the event are covered by the Trust. However, we will be asking for a contribution of £10 towards the transport, this can be paid via Arbor.

We would like to invite parents and carers to attend. On account of the numbers involved, we are only able to allocate one ticket for a single seat in the audience per child. These tickets are not transferable between families. Whilst we are sure many more would like to come, the alternative is that we would not be able to admit people to this event at all. There is no charge for these tickets – we just want you to come and enjoy the occasion.

Unless your child's school is able to make provision for you, you will need to make your own travel arrangements. If you are travelling by car, you will need to park in the public car parks around Salisbury. There will be no parking for the event in the Cathedral Close.

We will have a photographer present at the event and photos will be used by the Trust and our schools on their websites and social media. The school should be aware of those who ask not to have their pictures used in such a way, but please speak directly to school if you have any concerns about this and we will do all we can to accommodate this. No-one will be excluded from the event for this reason.

Children are requested to come to school in full school uniform for the day including their coloured jumper or cardigan. For those of you who wish to purchase iSingPop merchandise or digital copies of the music please visit the website https://www.isingpop.org/shop-1. Please note there is no obligation to purchase either.

Tickets will be available from the school office from Monday 2nd October. If you are not able to come in and collect your ticket personally, please contact the school office by email or telephone and they will find a way to get it to you. Physical tickets will be required for entrance to the cathedral – photos on a mobile phone will not be accepted.

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We are looking forward to a wonderful occasion.

Best wishes.

Mark Lacey Chief Executive Wayne Roberts Headteacher

