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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 22nd October 2025. During September and early October, the children will be carrying out workshops in school, with a group called iSingPop, who will be teaching them a number of action songs that celebrate our unity, diversity and strength as a Trust. Some schools will be joining together for these workshop sessions.

This will culminate in a concert at the cathedral, with around 800 children altogether, on Wednesday 22nd October from 11.00 - 11.45am (doors will open at 10.45pm).

The costs of the event are covered by the Trust. However, we are asking you to make a voluntary contribution of £10 towards the cost of the transport to and from the event. On your child's Arbor account, you will be able to consent to the trip and use the system to process the online payment. Can we ask for all consent and payments to be completed by 17<sup>th</sup> October at 9.00am. On the 22<sup>nd</sup>, we will be leaving St James' after registration and should return to school before the end of the school day.

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. We are unable to accommodate siblings in the audience.

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 school coloured jumper or cardigan. For those of you who wish to purchase iSingPop merchandise or digital copies of the music please visit the website <a href="https://www.isingpop.org/shop-1">https://www.isingpop.org/shop-1</a>. Please note there is no obligation to purchase either. Tickets will be available from the school office from Monday 6<sup>th</sup> 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.

We are looking forward to a wonderful occasion.

Best wishes,

Mark Lacey Chief Executive Daniel Lawford Headteacher

