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Headteacher: Mrs H Ashe BA (Hons)

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Dear Parents and Carers

Messy Messiah at St Edmundsbury Cathedral

You will hopefully remember the letter I sent out in July about the forthcoming, exciting opportunity of the 'Messy Messiah' at St Edmundsbury Cathedral, along with other schools. Timothy Parsons, the cathedral's Director of Music, has been coming in to school for the last 3 weeks to teach the children in Year 5 the sung parts of the performance. The children have been doing brilliantly and are extremely enthusiastic!

The event will take place on <u>Saturday 18 November 2023</u>, at the cathedral. Here are some proposed timings that we have been given: -

- Arriving at the cathedral 1.10pm
- Rehearsal from 1.30pm
- Break for tea at 4.45pm (please supply a packed tea for your child)
- Concert at 6pm
- Concert finishing time is approx. 7.30pm

Your child should wear their school uniform. You are more than welcome to come along and watch your child. Tickets will be available on the Cathedral website, hopefully soon! The cost of tickets will be £5 per person or £10 for families (of four people).

If we have enough children attending, we will be able to secure a coach (funded by the cathedral) to transport the children to the cathedral in the afternoon. You would then be collecting your children after the performance. If we only have a small number going, then it would be better to drop your child off at the cathedral, where they would be met by myself. Please indicate your preference at the bottom of the letter below so that I can gauge request for this to be organised.

I am extremely excited to be organising this and would immensely appreciate your support in involving your child to represent our lovely school! As we need to know numbers quickly, **please** could you either fill in and return the form below or let the office know if you are happy and willing for your child to be involved. We need response by the end of the week, please.

Thank you

Yours faithfully

Mrs Rance

Messy Messiah Responses

My child will/will not be attending attend the Messy Messiah event on <u>Saturday 18th November 2023.</u>

Signed

Transport Preferences (please tick)

I would prefer a coach transport from school to the cathedral.

I am happy to take my child myself to the cathedral and meet Mrs Rance there.

I am happy to either have a coach arranged OR take my child myself.