

Dear Parents/Guardians/ Students

Primary Schools Sing-Up Gospel Music Showcase - Wednesday 23rd March

Following last year's successful collaboration with Dorset Music Service, focusing on Pop songs, I write to inform you of this year's exciting opportunity to be part of a collaboration between our eight local Primary Schools and year seven students from the Gryphon School.

This year we have booked the London-based **ACM Singology Gospel Choir** to run a one-day workshop on **Wednesday 23rd March** with a focus on Gospel-style choral part singing. Working with seven members of this well-known Gospel choir, the children will rehearse within mixed school groups to learn different parts which will come together in a massed schools performance of the songs learned on the day. Several of the participating schools will also perform their own vocal items as part of this musical showcase.

- The workshop will start promptly at **9.00am** and will culminate in a free entry **4.00pm Concert** to which we would like as many parents and guardians to come and attend as possible.
- Please note that unlike previous years, the venue for this event will be the **Digby Hall** on Hound Street, Sherborne and *not* the Gryphon School.
- There is no cost for taking part
- All participating children will be expected to wear their school's uniform
- Children will need to bring sufficient packed food and drinks to sustain them throughout the day as a hot meal / food / drinks will not be provided in situ.
- Students will have sufficient opportunities for breaks and lunchtime during the day's rehearsal schedule.

*Please would you complete the permission slip below confirming that you are willing for your son / daughter to take part in this exciting event / opportunity and return it to your school's office by **Monday 20th March**.*

Thank you for your support of this event

Yours sincerely

Val Mizen (Head of Music)

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Child's NAME: _____ Class: _____

re: **Sherborne Area Primary Schools Sing-Up Gospel Music Showcase - Wednesday 23rd March 2016**

- ☐ I confirm that my son/daughter does wish to participate in this event / opportunity
- ☐ I understand that I will be responsible for my son's/daughter's transport both to and from the Digby Hall, Sherborne on Wednesday 23rd March.
- ☐ I have noted the start time of 9.00am and the concert time of 4.00pm.
- ☐ I have noted that I need to provide my son/daughter with packed food and drink on the day
- ☐ The medical/contact information the school holds is correct
- ☐ Please note the following changes to my son's / daughter's medical/contact information held by the school (please state if the change is permanent):

Signed: _____ Parent / Guardian

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