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Dear Parents and Carers,

Re: Year 8 – Shakespeare text for English

After the Easter break, students in Year 8 will be studying a Shakespeare play in their English lessons. In order to enable all students to make their own annotations, we would like to encourage students to purchase their own copy of the set text.

We would like students to purchase their copy of the play, ideally by the first week back after the Easter break, so that they can begin bringing this in for their English lessons. Please note that this is a voluntary request and no student will be disadvantaged if they do not have their own copy. There will be some copies available in school, if needed (although understandably students will not be able to retain these copies nor make their own annotations).

To find details of the text that you will need to purchase for your child, please see the table below:

Class	Teacher	Shakespeare play
8AEEN1	Miss Joyce	'A Midsummer Night's Dream'
8AEEN2	Mrs Green	'The Tempest'
8AEEN3	Mrs Redway-Handel	'The Tempest'
8AEEN4	Ms Bernasko	'The Tempest'
8BEEN1	Ms Bernasko	'The Tempest'
8BEEN2	Miss Nash	'Richard iii'
8BEEN3	Mrs Evans	'A Midsummer Night's Dream'
8BEEN4	Mrs Moulton-Brady	'The Tempest'

Although any copy of the text will be acceptable for use in lessons, we recommend that you purchase the 'No Fear Shakespeare' version of the text to support with understanding. However, any accurate version of the play is suitable.

The specific ISBN numbers have been provided below. Second hand versions are also available online at a reduced cost.



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If there are any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

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ISBN details:

Shakespeare play	ISBN
Richard III	978-1411401020
A Midsummer Night's Dream	978-1586638481
The Tempest	978-1586638498



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