Shakespeare Club

(commencing 13th January 2022)



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Dear Parents,

Shakespeare Club is for any child who is interested finding out more about England's most famous playwright and performing one of his plays. It is open to children from all year groups – we only need enthusiasm and a willingness to be part of a team (like they did in Shakespeare's time).

We will be using original text (schools' version) – but don't be put off by thoughts of language that makes no sense. When we learn together and perform with an understanding of the universal themes of honour, families, jealousy, greed, love and laughter, everything falls into place. If your child is not sure, it's fine to give it a go for a few weeks to see whether it is going to be something they will enjoy.

We will be aiming to put on a live outdoor performance in the summer term, weather and Covid-permitting! In addition, we would like to have the option to take some video recordings and ask for your specific permission for this, particularly for potential inclusion on the Academy's website. If you do not wish your child to be filmed, rest assured that this will not in any way affect your child's involvement with the club. Any recordings will be kept securely at Oakfield. Shakespeare Club will initially run on Thursdays in 6A until 4pm. As we get nearer the performance, we may need to extend this. If you would like your child to attend, **please complete the permission section on Parentpay**. Once this is completed, please assume that your child has a place; we will contact you if we are over-subscribed.

We have set up a Google Classroom, which we will use to keep students informed of what we are doing. Feel free to get your child set up – and chatting to other members of the club. The Google Classroom code is nowgizy, or follow this link:

<u>https://classroom.google.com/c/NDUwODMwMDE1Mjcw?cjc=nowgizy.</u> We are excited to get going and are looking forward to seeing new club members on the 13th...as well as some old friends!

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