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YEAR 9 (GOING INTO YEAR 10):

Dear Parent/Carer

GCSE English Literature – Shakespeare and Dickens Set Text

During the Autumn term your child will study compulsory components of GCSE English Literature which they will be assessed on in their final exams. This year pupils will study Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol and Shakespeare's Macbeth.

I write to advise you that it is in your child's best interest to purchase their own copy of their studied text. Whilst this is not compulsory, stock in the department is limited and having their own copy will mean your child can highlight and annotate, making the text a valuable revision aid.

If you wish to purchase one of these texts, it is recommended that you do so ready for the new academic year*. Texts can be ordered from retailers such as Amazon for around £3.00-£6.00 each.

Recommended editions are:

A Christmas Carol ISBN: 9781407143644

Pupils will need the actual novel not a text guide, play script or revision guide.

Macbeth ISBN 9780198324003

Pupils will need the play script not a text guide, novel or revision guide.

Although there are various publishers, the actual text is the same; some allow more space to annotate or have more supporting information however it's essentially the above that pupils will need for their studies.

Families entitled to benefits-related free school meals may contact myself via email at a.gidden@priory.lancs.sch.uk if this could pose a concern.

Yours faithfully



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Head of English

*Please note that the revision guides are separate to this and can be ordered via school however we are unable to supply the full texts for purchase in the same way.

