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### **Year 6 Shakespeare in Schools Production**

Dear Parents/Carers

This term we will be involved in performing two plays in the Shakespeare Schools' Festival at South Hill Park. We are very lucky to be able to enter two plays as all other primary schools are only performing one. This has enabled us to include all the children in Year 6. Obviously we will be rehearsing hard and the children will start to get very excited and enthusiastic and will look forward to the performance in a real theatre.

We are writing to ask for your support in a number of ways. Firstly, the language of Shakespeare is not always easy for the children to understand or to learn. We are working on this at school, but the children will need to do some work at home. Please encourage your child to learn their lines quickly and help by testing them.

Secondly, we would ask for your commitment to the actual performance. We will be performing on the evening of **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> November** at 7.00pm. The children work really hard and it is a wonderful celebration of their work to perform as a whole group in front of an audience. As this is part of the curriculum, we would ask that you **sign the form sent home with your child**, showing that you are willing for them to take part in the performance. Details of the timetable for the day of the performance will be available nearer the time. If anyone thinks there will be a problem, please come and see us.

Thirdly, we may need to ask you to provide bits of costume. These will be simple, but it would be very helpful if you could send these to school as soon as possible after being asked. We will provide details of these as soon as we can.

The overall evening promises to be a really good experience for the children, where they are able to show their work in a professional environment, working with theatre professionals. It will be one of those experiences that the children will always remember and we hope we can count on your support to make it as successful as possible.

Tickets are available for the evening performance now and as a school, we can get group discounted rates (£9.50 per ticket), so if you would like to purchase tickets through us, please use the **eduspot - school money app** and you can find the tickets in the **shop** section. Please make your order by **Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> October**. We appreciate this is short notice, however the tickets have only just been released to us by South Hill Park. We have been allocated two tickets per child, though if not all are sold we will release any spare tickets to parents on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October and remind you of this closer to the time by text message.

Thank you for your support,  
Miss Hodge and Mrs Shakespeare