

# Shakespeare Club

## Costumes/Performance Plans



June 2019

Dear Parents,

A Midsummer Night's Dream is progressing well – we have some fabulous performers in Shakespeare club.

We are planning two evening performances – on Friday 28th June. ACORN cast at 6.00pm, BEAD cast at 7.15pm – with expected finish time at 8pm. Ticketing information will follow! Whilst there are two casts, we expect all club members to be at both performances – those without main roles during a performance will be stage-managing / prompting / filling in minor roles.

In terms of costume, the cast have decided on the following:

**High status Athenians** (Theseus, Hippolyta, Egeus, Lysander, Demetrius, Hermia, Helena): white or cream tunics. Male characters – shorter tunics with light coloured trousers / leggings underneath, female characters – longer tunics, bare legs or tights. Theseus and Hippolyta to have small headbands / laurel wreaths. Demetrius and Lysander – belts with dagger/small sword. If we can find a (small) cape or two, that would be great!

**Low status Athenians** (Bottom, Peter Quince, Francis Flute, Snout, Snug, Starveling): working clothes suitable to their trades – could have tool belts, cloth caps, rough waistcoats etc. We will also need costumes for the play within the play - lion mask, costumes for moon, wall and medieval style dress for Pyramus and Thisbe....and of course an ass's head!

**Fairies** (Puck, Titania, Oberon, Moth, Mustardseed, Peaseblossom, Cobweb): colours that would blend into the magic forest – mainly greens and purples. Mixture of tight fitting leggings / trousers / t-shirts / leotards and “floaty” things on top. Titania and Oberon to have masks / crowns to denote their status.

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We would be very grateful if you could discuss with your child whether you think you can find costumes that would fit this general scheme. If not, don't worry – because Oakfield has a well-stocked costume cupboard that should be able to plug the gaps...although we find that most children prefer to wear clothes they have brought from home. Please do not spend lots of time and money on costumes!! Any queries, please let us know as soon as possible so we have time to address them.

In the run up to the performance, we are extending normal Thursday club to finish at 4.30pm – starting from 13 June. We are also holding additional rehearsals on Wednesdays up to the performance – the 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25 June from 3.00 to 4.30pm. We would be very grateful if you could complete the attached slip to confirm your child's attendance.

Regards,

**Mrs Kathy Pinches**

**Mrs Jenny Higgins**

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I confirm that my child \_\_\_\_\_ in tutor group \_\_\_\_\_ will be able to attend additional rehearsals for A Midsummer Night's Dream on Wednesdays 11<sup>th</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June. I understand that the end time for all rehearsals is now 4.30pm.

My child will be available for the evening performances on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Mob No \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN THIS REPLY SLIP TO MRS PINCHES AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**