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Dear Families

## Year 10 English Literature Set Texts – Lord of the Flies

We are writing to you concerning the English Literature examination course that your child is currently following in year 10, and in particular about the set texts that students are studying for the exam. At the end of year 11, your child will be taking a literature exam, part of which will examine their knowledge and understanding of several different texts. To prepare for the exam, students will need to purchase a copy of each text over the next two school years. To ensure that you are informed and prepared we are sending you the list of the texts that will be required now. You may wish to purchase all of the texts now, or as each is required.

The text that students will be studying now is ***Lord of the Flies by William Golding***. This is the first text that students are studying for their Literature GCSE.

The English faculty at Sackville is following the AQA syllabus which requires students to have a detailed and thorough understanding of several texts. Students will not receive a copy of these books in the exam so it is important for them to make the best use of them during their study and revision. With their own copy, students may use highlighter pens, underline and write notes in the margin, all of which prove extremely helpful in aiding understanding and analysis.

As you can appreciate, once a copy has been marked in this way it cannot be used by another student. Consequently, we are asking you to purchase the texts that your child is studying. A list of the texts, the particular editions that we would prefer and the recommended retail price for each text follows. Texts are available from sites like Amazon or your local bookshop will also be able to order for you. Copy and pasting the ISBN number into the site will take you directly to the correct book.

Texts can often be found for less than the recommended retail price. **Second hand copies are also widely available and perfectly acceptable.** We keep a small stock of second hand, previously annotated copies at school on a first-come-first-served basis in case of need.

Please remember that if your child is eligible for the Pupil Premium government grant we will use that to pay for the full cost of all texts.

Please ensure students have their own copy of 'Lord of the Flies' by **Friday 29 September** to enable students to begin effective study as soon as possible.

We thank you for your support with your child's GCSE. If you have any further queries, please contact either myself at [lrogers@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:lrogers@sackvilleschool.org.uk) or the curriculum leader of English, Mrs J Grimes [jgrimes@sackvilleschool.org.uk](mailto:jgrimes@sackvilleschool.org.uk)

Yours sincerely

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<b>Text</b>	<b>ISBN / Edition</b>	<b>RRP</b>
Lord of the Flies William Golding	Faber and Faber edition ISBN: 978-0571191475	£9.99
A Christmas Carol Charles Dickens	Scholastic Classic Edition ISBN: 978-1-407143-64-4	£5.99
Macbeth William Shakespeare	Oxford School Shakespeare Edition ISBN: 978-0-19-832400-3	£6.99