

Re Shakespeare Schools Festival

Dear Parents,

24 students expressed an interest in being involved in the production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' for the Shakespeare Schools Festival, which was a fantastic response and made my job very difficult because as you know there were only 15 places.

Unfortunately I cannot offer your child a place in the main cast, but would really like to thank you and him/her for your enthusiasm. This isn't because they are not talented enough because as I explained to the students all those asked in the first place certainly were, it is just that I had to make sure that I had the right mixture of students taking into account everyone's individual strengths.

However, I would like to offer your child the opportunity to still be involved in the performance but in a smaller capacity. The play revolves around the fairy kingdom and it would be lovely to have extra fairies in the production. I plan to do some very interesting things with them, using movement, physicality and possibly singing/playing musical instruments for those inclined.

If your child would like to do this it would mean that they would have to come to **some** of the after school rehearsals on Thursdays in the autumn term and be available in the October half term for some of the time and of course the performance week. They would still join in the workshop with the professional Shakespearian actor. They would not be involved in the summer school and there would be no cost for being involved in the project.

They should still be able to have a lot of fun and learn from the experience.

Please fill out the slip below and return to me personally (not reception) if you wish your child to be one of the fairies.

Yours sincerely,

Anne Cruwys-Finnigan  
Head of Drama and Dance.

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I would like my child (name)..... to be one of the fairies.  
I can commit them to the dates when they would be needed from September to November inclusively.

Signed..... Date.....