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Dear Parent,

### RSC Tales from Shakespeare

As a result of the current lockdown, the Royal Shakespeare Company (RSC) has released a series of Tales from Shakespeare for students to watch at home. These are all based on Michael Morpurgo's new book *Tales from Shakespeare* and are designed to introduce students to some of Shakespeare's most famous plays. At a time where visits to the theatre aren't possible, this is a fantastic way of allowing students to enjoy performances that will also benefit their understanding of Shakespeare which will help for both KS3 and KS4 English, particularly as Shakespeare's *Macbeth* is a set text for GCSE English Literature.

RSC have released the following Shakespeare performances:

- **Michael Morpurgo's *A Midsummer Night's Dream***
- **Michael Morpurgo's *Romeo and Juliet***
- **Michael Morpurgo's *The Tempest***
- **Michael Morpurgo's *Macbeth* [Released on the 29<sup>th</sup> January]**
- **Michael Morpurgo's *The Winter's Tale* [Released on the 5<sup>th</sup> February]**

You and your child can access these performances using the following link:

<https://www.rsc.org.uk/education/schools-broadcasts/tales-from-shakespeare>

They are available for approximately three months to watch on demand. While it is not compulsory for your child to watch these performances, The English Department wanted to signpost you to this culturally enriching opportunity which will undoubtedly complement your child's learning.

I hope you are all staying safe and well at this time, and I look forward to having your child back in school soon.

Kind regards,

Miss C Knight

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