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Monday 11th September, 2017

Dear Parent or Guardian,

Re – A contribution towards the costs of texts for A Level English Literature (U6th students)

Your son or daughter has just started the second year of their A Level course. In this second year of the course students will study three new exam texts in addition to three of those studied last year in preparation for their AS examination. These texts are *Skirrid Hill*, a collection of poems by Owen Sheers, *Revolutionary Road*, a novel by Richard Yates and the play *A Streetcar Named Desire* by Tennessee Williams. All students will be provided with copies of these texts in the coming weeks.

We feel that students are able to take better ownership of their set texts if they are able to highlight and annotate key sections of the text. For this reason we are encouraging students to buy their own copies of the texts from the school so that they are able to annotate them fully. The cost of all three texts (subsidised slightly by the school) is £20. This figure reflects the fact that these are all fairly modern texts (due to the nature of the course) of which there are no cheap editions. Admittedly students could purchase cheaper (possibly second hand) copies of these texts themselves if they wished, though it would be important to purchase similar editions to those used in school.

Though we do strongly advise students to purchase these texts, I would also like to stress that this is optional and those who choose not to purchase texts will be provided with the same copies as their classmates (though they will obviously be unable to annotate them). Any parents who would like to purchase texts but feel unable to do so for financial reasons should contact myself in confidence (fearnleyb@ripongrammar.co.uk).

I would be very grateful if you could complete the attached slip and return it to Mrs Grime in Room 16 via your son or daughter.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Mr B Fearnley (Head of English)

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English Department – U6th English Literature Texts

Name of pupil:

Form:

I would/ would not (please delete as applicable) like to purchase copies of the English Literature set texts for my son/daughter.

- I enclose a cheque for £20 made payable to Ripon Grammar School
- I enclose cash to the sum of £20
- I have paid £20 by ParentPay.

Signed: _____

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