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FOR ATTENTION OF HEAD OF ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Dear Colleague

Wishing you a very Happy New Year. Fresh from your Christmas break please can we ask for 5 minutes of your valuable time to complete the attached questionnaire, which will enable us to cater more effectively for future needs. In exchange we offer you the following English team update.

- John Woodhouse has taken a two-term secondment to Aylsham High School and we are very pleased to welcome Andrew Bundy as a new team member and Anne Mitchell as our excellent Admin. Assistant (anne.mitchell@norfolk.gov.uk).
- Our talented team of English ASTs are keen to support you this term with Training on most effective use of Interactive Whiteboards in English lessons and with preparing for the Shakespeare element of KS3 SATs. Their time can be requested directly through us.
- Our priorities for this term are 'Writing at GCSE' and helping schools achieve more level 6/7s in Year 9. Alongside this there is a renewed approach to Intervention at KS3 and KS4 in English and Maths.
- There are currently four schools in Norfolk involved in the pilot scheme of Study Plus : Aylsham, Downham Market, Thorpe and Wayland High School. This programme, specifically aimed at C/D borderline students in English and Maths, begins Nationally in September. All schools have been informed of the details. If your school is interested in running this Intervention Programme please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks for taking the time to fill in the Questionnaire attached.

We look forward to working with you in 2007.

Yours sincerely,

Andy Bundy

Jan Jarrett Sue Smith Secondary Strategy English Advisers,

Heads of English Questionnaire

Name of School:	Head of English :
Key Stage 3 At KS3, which Shakespeare	play(s) are you preparing Year 9 students for this year?
Much Ado About Nothing	Richard the Third The Tempest
Do you introduce the pupils t	to the set play(s) in Year 8? Yes No
Do you make the first introdu	uction to the set Shakespeare play(s) in Year 8? Yes No
AQA Edexcel O	oreparing Year 11 students for this year ? CR WJEC Please state specification : oreparing Year 10 students for in 2008?
Key Stage 5 Which exam boards and spe	cifications do you use for AS and A2?
Accommodation How many English classroor out of	ns have interactive whiteboards in your school? Promethean Boards Smart Boards
Staffing within your Dept. Number of English specialist	s Number of Non-English specialists
Have you experienced any recruitment difficulties this year? (please outline problem)	
Do you have any curriculum Teaching Assistants assigned to your Department? Yes No Number	
Interventions Which of the following interventions do you operate in your school?	
Booster Classes Reading Challenge Literacy Progress Units English Mentoring	Year 9 Year 11 Year 7 Year 8 Year 10 Year 11 Year 12 Year 13 Other? (please specify)
Any other comments? Anyt	hing else you would like to let us know about?

