1st February, 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Years 7 and 8 English - Study of Films**

Students in Year 7 and 8 English are required to respond to a variety of texts critically, imaginatively and interpretively. They respond to literary and other texts for enjoyment and to expand their perspectives on their own lives (BOSTES NSW Syllabus for the Australian Curriculum).

Over the course of the year students will be viewing various films as part of their studies in English. These films will either have a rating of PG or M.

For example, as part of their study of William Shakespeare, his life and times, students in Year 8 will view *Shakespeare in Love*, directed by John Madden (1998) which is rated M and *Spirited Away*, directed by Hayao Miyazaki (2003), which is rated PG. Students in Year 7 will view *Whale Rider*, directed by Niki Caro (2002), which is rated PG.

In addition to these films, over the course of the year teachers may show other films with similar ratings to compliment the students’ studies.

If you have any concern about your son/daughter viewing films rated M please contact me at the College.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Rhea Barber
Leader of English