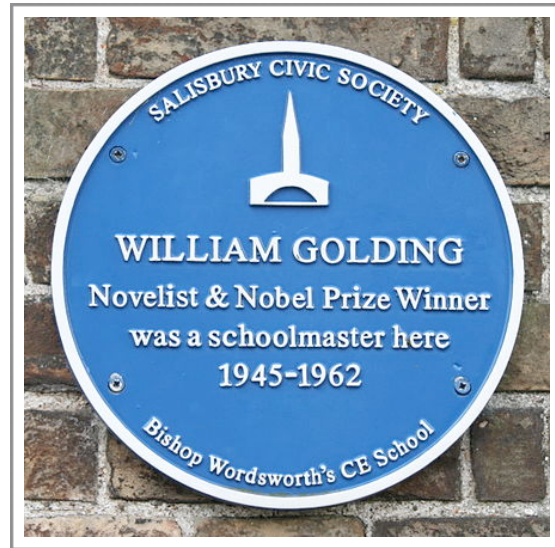


Great Books Seminar

Assignment 17

- Finish reading *Lord of the Flies*, chapters 10–12. As usual, be ready for a quiz.
- Prepare for a Jane Austen tea party, where there will be Regency food and entertainment. See below for directions on dress and details on what we will be doing.
- Again, there will be no poem to read this week.
- Those who want to try out for the play, playing the role of either the baby sitter or the father, I will have tryouts *next week*. The tryout parts have been posted online.
- Again, I need volunteers to compose or at least sing a ballad for Speech Night. Anyone interested?
- Be prepared: we will be reading Shakespeare's *Tempest* after *Lord of the Flies*—another work about corruption and being stranded on an island!



Long-Term Assignments

- Prepare for a formal Jane Austen tea party, where there will be Regency food and entertainment from **6:00–9:00 on Friday, February 17**. We will first have our tea time (6:00–6:45) during which I will give a talk on tea and its history, particularly in England. A little dessert suited to the tea will be served. You will also be given a menu from which you may order a wide variety of black, green and herbal teas. After the tea I will discuss the themes of the novel, talk about the author and prepare you for watching one episode from the 6-part BBC production on the novel. Afterwards, we will have our dinner with period entertainment, whist and charades. This will be a formal affair, and you must dress accordingly: boys with button-down shirts, suit jackets (or suits), and dress pants; girls with skirts or dresses.
- Your speech will be due on the **second Friday of February**.