

Our Ref: LD/RH/KB/Accelerated Reader At Home

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Dear Parents/Carer

We need your support to improve your child's reading ability, doing some of what we are already doing in school with them at home as well.

The 'Accelerated Reader' scheme works by pupils sitting a 'Star' test to determine where their reading ability is currently. They then choose a book which is suitable for them before sitting another test which checks they understood the book. And then they do the process all over again, their reading ability improving each time.

In order for this process to be successful and provide maximum benefit to pupils, **your child needs to be reading for a minimum of 20 minutes, five times a week**. All of Year 7 will be set this as a homework and recording that they have done this in a Log that they will be given following an assembly on Thursday 22nd April. The Log will be checked every fortnight in their Accelerated Reader lesson by their English teacher. As you do with their homework planners, **we need you to sign this Log**.

We know you will agree that reading is fundamental to your child's future. It is the cornerstone of success in all of their subjects. And research has repeatedly shown that reading has a massive impact on staying mentally healthy.

Reading is most successful when:

- Books can be read in a quiet and peaceful area
- Pupils have selected books that they enjoy
- Pupils can share their reading with a role model at home who will help to encourage and support them.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

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