

Wednesday 20th September 2017

Dear Parent/Career,

Re: Accelerated Reader Programme

Date: Week commencing 25th September

As part of our literacy programme for this year, all year 7 and 8 pupils will be taking part in library lessons every two weeks during which they will have access to the Renaissance Accelerated Reader Programme.

The aims of the programme are:

- To manage and monitor independent reading practice;
- To develop pupil's vocabulary and aid their progress across the academy;
- To encourage a love of reading for pleasure amongst our pupils.

During the lesson pupils will have access to a wide range of reading materials which are categorised according to their reading age with the hope that they will be able to progress through these throughout the course of the academic year.

Pupils at the end of each lesson are asked to complete an online quiz based on what they have just read which scores and monitors their comprehension of the text and the breadth of the vocabulary they are accessing.

All pupils will be issued with a reading report card which staff members will complete with them during the course of the lesson in order to keep a record of what they have read. It is very much encouraged that pupils continue reading at home and recording this on their report card ready for their next Library lesson. However, we do ask that if pupils are completing the online quizzes at home via the Accelerated Reader portal they complete these independently, so as to allow teachers a true indication of our pupil's ability and progress.

Should you wish to explore the programme further access to the Renaissance portal can be made through the website link below and/or via the link found on the Academy's homepage.

<http://www.renlearn.co.uk/>

With literacy playing such a vital role in our pupils' progress we do hope that we have your support and we can work together to promote a love of reading.

If you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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