## Accelerated Reader (AR)

We are excited to announce that pupils in KS2 will be using Accelerated Reader. Accelerated Reader is a computerised programme that has not only been specifically designed to improve children's reading ability and continue to raise their reading age, but also to encourage and nurture a love of reading that will continue into adulthood.

The Accelerated Reader Program works by identifying a child's ZPD (Zone of Proximal Development) which is essentially a selection of books that will not only match their ability, but will also challenge them and develop their vocabulary. Each child in Y3-6 has sat a short online comprehension test in order to determine their ZPD. Using the outcomes of these tests, children will be directed to choose books from the school library that fall within this range and when they have finished the book, they will take a short, electronic quiz that assesses their understanding of what they have read. This enables us as teachers to have meaningful discussions about a child's reading: what they have learnt and how we can help them to develop. It also enables us to closely monitor individual reading progress and ensure that children are selecting books that are challenging enough to meet their individual needs.

To access a parents' guide on the scheme, please click on the link below.

Parents guide to Accelerated Reader

## AR Bookfinder

You can help your child choose books that are both interesting and enjoyable with <u>AR BookFinder.</u> For more information, please see the guide below:

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## MyOn by Renaissance- a virtual library with over 5000 books..

Alongside Accelerated Reader, children will also be able to access an exciting, new literacy program called myON!

myON is the first-of-its-kind personalised literacy environment that integrates technology and students' ability to match their reading level with their preferred choice of books into one comprehensive online literacy program.

As a family in our school, you will be provided free access to myON. myON will provide you with infinite access to a growing collection of thousands of enhanced digital books that can be read anytime, anywhere there is an Internet connection, or offline on any device to which the free myON app has been downloaded.

## Benefits of Myon

- Allows your child to access audio narration, a dictionary and a bookmark.
- Allows your child to access any book in the myON online library at any time.
- · Allows your child to map this to their current reading age.

We are excited to give our families the opportunity to spend time with their children in an engaging, fun reading environment to build reading stamina and fluency.

We hope you find this program as exciting as we do, and will join us in making myON a success. If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact me or your child's teacher. We will be having a parent information session on Friday  $14^{\circ}$  at  $3.30\,\mathrm{pm}$  in the school hall. We hope to see you there!

Kind regards,

Mrs. Fleet.