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Accelerated Reader Programme P4-7

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The school is in the very fortunate position to receive funding from the EA Extended Schools Programme. A substantial amount of money is invested every year in further developing the core area of Literacy in the school and due to extreme budget constraints it would be impossible for the school to fund individual programmes such as Accelerated Reader (AR).

The licence fee, resources and administration of AR has cost the school £4,081 this year which fortunately is covered by our Extended Schools Programme. It is therefore very important that pupils maximise the opportunity to use this invaluable resource.

Pupils, depending on their age and reading ability, choose books which have been levelled according to results from their AR Star Reading Test. The level of book they read will determine the number of words read and the number of points earned for answering the questions correctly.

The Programme offers parents an individual home login so that parents can monitor their own child's progress, tracking the number of books read, quizzes taken and number of questions answered correctly. Please refer to page with individual pupil log-ins sent home this week.

Mrs O Callaghan, our Programme Coordinator, will ensure pupils have the opportunity to change their books regularly, will monitor the participation level of each pupil and will give feedback to pupils and teachers on pupils' progress.

The school welcomes donations from home of any reading books that the family are finished with, which should help replenish our AR library resources!

Pupils who achieve their set targets will have the opportunity to choose their rewards from Mrs O Callaghan's AR Treasure Chest. Please keep a close eye on the school website for photographs of these lucky winners!

Yours sincerely,

Mrs F Hughes Principal



