

Durham Trinity School & Sports College

Accelerated Reader (AR)

Web link for parents <http://www.renlearn.co.uk/>

Research suggest that 'children and young people who use AR tend to enjoy reading more, do it more often, read a greater variety of fiction texts and think more positively about reading than their peers who do not use AR.'

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Inspirational quotes

"The more that you read, the more things you will know.

The more that you learn the more places you'll go."

– Dr. Seuss, *I Can Read With My Eyes Shut!*

"You can find magic wherever you look.

Sit back and relax, all you need is a book."

- Dr. Seuss

Who can access Accelerated Reader?

Pupils who can read the first 100 high frequency words would be able to access Accelerated Reader.

What is Accelerated Reader (AR)?

- Accelerated Reader is a computer programme that helps monitor your child's independent reading.
- Pupils choose their own books at an appropriate readability level which they then read at their own pace.
- As pupils are choosing their own books this means that reading is a more enjoyable process. They can choose a book that interests them rather than having a book given to them.
- Once they have finished reading a book the pupil completes an online quiz. This gives the pupil instant feedback and gives staff an overview as to whether the child has understood what has been read.
- Pupils enjoy quizzing and as they are reading books of appropriate reading and interest level are more likely to achieve success and increase motivation.

Pupils receive Accelerated Reader Rewards and take part in school competitions

Pupils build points by passing quizzes and are rewarded with certificates presented in assembly.

Annual 'Get Caught Reading' Competition

This is held in May. Pupils and staff submit a photograph of themselves reading in strange or unusual places. Governors or special guests are asked to choose the winning entries. Prizes are awarded to the winners and everyone receives a certificate.

Here are a couple of examples:



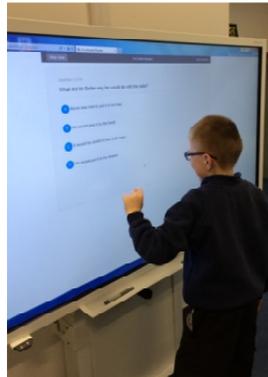
Star Readers Trophy

Each term the tutor/class group with the highest % of correctly completed quizzes is awarded the 'Star Reader Trophy.'

Recent recipients of the trophy were Raby Class. Well Done Raby!



After School Book Club



Key Stage 2 & 3 pupils have the opportunity to access this weekly club in The Foyle room (our secondary library area)

What our pupils say about Accelerated Reader?

Pupils tell us they enjoy Accelerated Reader.

Their comments include "I like to read", "it helps with learning", "I like going to the library" and "it gives us brains."