



## **Accelerated Reader (AR)**

At Birchensale we use a reading programme called Accelerated Reader (AR). The AR programme is designed to develop and improve reading ability and through on-line tests and book quizzes pupils will be guided to books appropriate to their reading age and ability. They will also be rewarded for their reading progress.

The Accelerated Reader programme will help pupils to:



- ✓ become motivated independent readers
- ✓ improve their reading
- ✓ choose suitably challenging books
- ✓ develop a lifelong love of reading

Pupils will:

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| 1  | Take a Star Reader Test                    |
| 2  | Be given a reading age and AR zones        |
| 3  | Borrow a book from within their zones      |
| 4  | Read the book                              |
| 5  | Take a quiz                                |
| 6  | Aim to achieve at least 80% in the quiz    |
| 7  | Earn points for each quiz                  |
| 8  | Achieve rewards and certificates           |
| 9  | Continue reading books in their zones      |
| 10 | Always have an AR book with them in school |
| 11 | Improve their reading!                     |

Pupils should always have their AR book with them in school every day, this is easily recognised by the coloured zone number on the spine of the book.

Questions in the quizzes are detailed, so pupils need to read and understand a book thoroughly before quizzing. Once a book is finished it should be quizzed on it within 48 hours.

Quizzes can be taken in the library during the school day at lunch and break time and during their weekly library lesson. It is also possible to quiz at home by accessing Renaissance (the AR platform) on the Birchensale website through the Student Hub.