

## **Fair Field Junior School**

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Dear Parents/Carers.

## New reading programme coming soon!

We are very excited to inform you of our new Accelerated Reader software, which monitors and supports the practice of reading.

The package includes 3 pieces of innovative software; myON, Star Reading, and Accelerated Reader.

Initially, the children will complete a **Star Reading** online assessment. After the assessment, your child will be able to choose appropriate books based on their reading level. In addition, your child's teacher will receive information, which will allow them to cater for each individual's needs.

The **myON** software is an online library with thousands of books with a range of text types and a wide range of topics from which the books can be selected. Each child will be able to sign into the software using a unique username and password to access this extensive library. There are books for every ability and if your child hasn't finished reading a book, they can sign in at any other time and continue where they left off.

Once your child has finished reading a book, they will be asked to complete a short comprehension using the **Accelerated Reader** software. As with the Star Reader, this will send information to the teachers to help them monitor each child's progress and will allow them to tailor interventions to target areas of development. Furthermore, your child will be given immediate feedback.

We have timetabled a period of time on **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February** in Aspirations week when we will be encouraging all children to complete the Star Reading assessment. As you can imagine, we are thrilled at the prospect of allowing our children to access a vast number of books at home. Each week we will be awarding prizes, similar to TT Rockstars, for various achievements such as most books read and most words read.

Please encourage the use of the online library as part of a fuller home-school curriculum.

Kind Regards

Mrs Goodwin
Head of School

Miss Clancy Head of English