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Dear Parents and Carers,

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Accelerated Reader Parent Workshop

Wednesday 27th February 2019

This academic session, we have introduced Accelerated Reader as another tool to help monitor the progress pupils are making in their reading. This program ensures that pupils are reading books which are suitable for their reading level and encourages them to read, both at school and at home. Already we are seeing a heightened level of engagement in reading for pleasure.

Accelerated Reader is computer program that assists to manage and monitor children's independent reading practice. Your child selects a book at his/her own level and reads it at his/her own pace. Class Teachers support pupils to choose books at an appropriate level, ensuring challenge but not frustration. When finished, your child takes a short quiz on the computer. Accelerated Reader gives children and teachers feedback based on the quiz results, which can then be used to set goals and direct ongoing reading practice. All pupils thus far have demonstrated growing enthusiasm for the program and are enjoying taking the quizzes.

Children using Accelerated Reader choose their own books to read, rather than having one assigned to them. This makes reading a much more enjoyable experience as they can choose books that are interesting to them. We have invested in lots of new books, both non-fiction and fiction, from a variety of genres and for a variety of age groups. We are currently redeveloping a whole school library, as well as improving class libraries.

We would like to extend an invitation to you to join us for an information session/workshop on the Accelerated Reader program on **Wednesday 27th February** from **6pm – 7pm**.

Please indicate your attendance on the tear-off slip below and return to school by **Friday 8th February**.

Pupil Name _____

Class _____

I/we will attend the Accelerated Reader parent workshop Number of adults attending

I/we will be unable to attend the Accelerated Reader parent workshop

Parent/Carer _____

Date _____