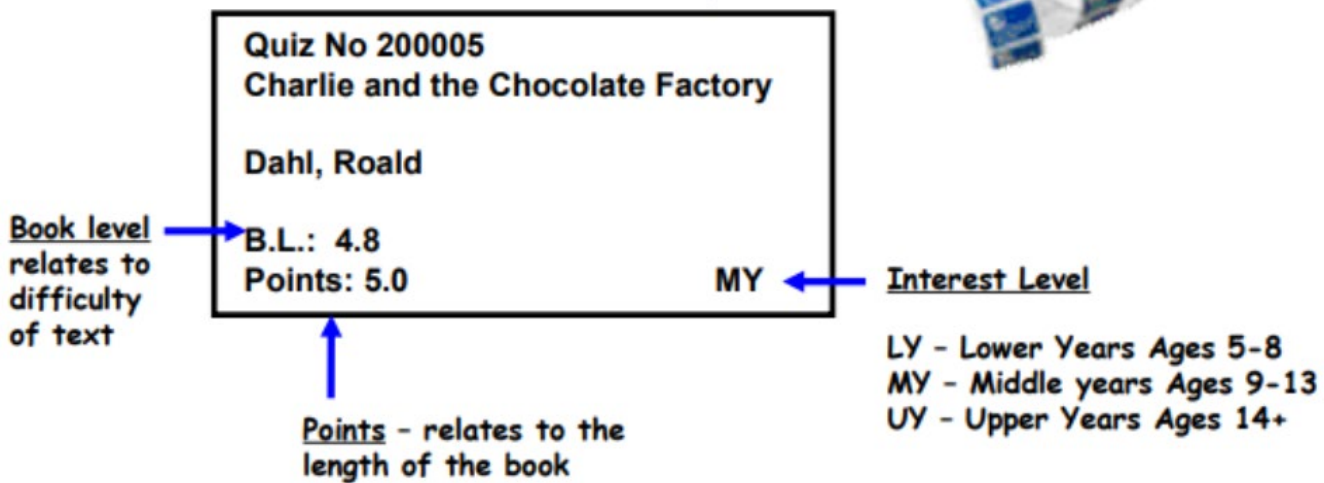




Dear Parents,

Your child has commenced an exciting initiative called the Accelerated Reader (AR) program. AR is a country-wide reading program which encourages and motivates students to read books at school and home and take a corresponding computerised comprehension test. A selection of books in our school library has been given a level, point value, and quiz number. This information is printed inside the front cover of the AR book. At this stage we are not engaging with the points system of the program and will let you know if this changes.



Each student has been tested to determine their reading and comprehension level. Students will be tested again at a later date to reflect on progress and re-evaluate reading levels. We would like your child to read at least 20 minutes a day to ensure the best possible data results. Some of these sessions will be done at school. Your child's teacher will advise you of the expectation. Each student is expected to take an AR test as soon as possible after completing a book as to ensure it is a comprehension test, rather than a memory test.

The more books read and tests completed, the more data we have to help customise and improve your child's reading program. Students will borrow at least two AR books among their selection of choices during Library. They can borrow more AR books if they choose to. Students are welcome to come during lunch and after school to borrow books. Please click this [link](#) for more information about the program. You will have access to your child's progress through 'Home Connect'. Log on information will be sent to you by your child's teacher. To access 'Home Connect' please follow the instructions below;

Select the Library tile in OLLE, then 'Library Services





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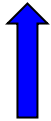
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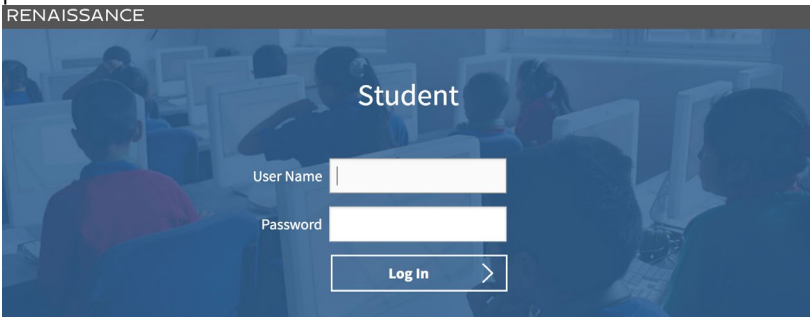
Then select 'Renaissance Home Connect' to view your child's quiz results and progress. Students follow the same process through OLLE to access the Renaissance quizzes which they need to do after finishing reading each book. Students access the quiz component with the same username and password that you will be sent to access 'Home Connect'. Students have saved their Renaissance username and password in a google doc

Instructions for accessing the quizzes.
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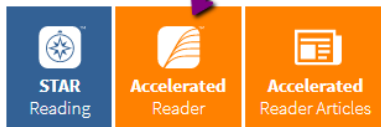




Then select Renaissance quizzes. Select 'I am a student' and enter your Renaissance username and password.



Then select 'Accelerated Reader' and enter the Title, Author or quiz number of the completed book to access the corresponding quiz. All results are then available to view through 'Home Connect'



If you have any concerns, please contact your child's classroom teacher. Have fun reading!

Kind Regards

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