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Dear Parents / Guardians,

Accelerated Reader Programme to Encourage Reading

1. As we had mentioned earlier this year at the P2 Networking sessions, OLN has embarked on the Accelerated Reader Programme to support and encourage our pupils to read. As part of this programme, all Primary 2 pupils took the STAR Reading Test, a computer adaptive test to determine their reading ability. Your child's English teacher would have informed her of her reading range (ZPD).
2. With this knowledge of her reading range, your daughter/ward is now making more informed decisions when selecting books to read. As book levels are not indicated on storybooks, your child has been taught how to use the AR Book Finder [www.arbookfind.com] to identify its level. The teachers have also been encouraging her to access the AR website once she has finished a book, to attempt online quizzes (where available).
3. We would like to share this information on the use of AR to help you further encourage your daughter/ward to read during the holidays.
4. Instructions to use the Accelerated Reading
 - Login to <http://www.people-comm.com/chijoln>
 - Click *I'm a student*
 - Username: BC number
 - Password: XXXXXXXX
 - Click *Accelerated Reader*
 - Type the title of the book, e.g. 'Frog and Toad are Friends'. A brief synopsis and the Reading Level will be displayed. You can also click on *Take Quiz* or View Vocabulary to follow up on the story.
5. Your daughter's reading range is _____, and she should select storybooks within this range.
6. There are so many benefits to reading. Besides enlarging our vocabulary and helping us appreciate writing as a craft, reading also allows us to step into other people's shoes and enlarges our experiences. Let us work together to help our girls be voracious readers!

Yours faithfully

Ms Christina Teo
Principal