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# ALL SAINTS' EPISCOPAL DAY SCHOOL

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## ACCELERATED READER PROGRAM 2018-2019

Welcome to the Accelerated Reader Program (A.R.). At All Saints' we believe that reading is a life skill. The ability to read fluently will prepare your child for the academic challenges he/she will encounter throughout life. A.R. is a fun, rewarding program designed to encourage reading. It is used to supplement our Open Court Reading Curriculum. We are very excited about the plans being made for this year's A.R. For those of you who are new to A.R., following is a brief introduction:

A.R. is a computerized reading management program. At All Saints' we begin the program in first grade. It is individualized and noncompetitive in that students themselves choose books from an A.R. list and read at their own pace. Each book has a point value assigned to it comparable to its level of difficulty. Upon the completion of a book, the student takes a computerized test, and points are earned based on the number of questions answered correctly.

The methods in which A.R. books can be read are as follows:

1. The student reads the book alone.
2. The parent reads or shares in the reading of the book.
3. The student listens to a class book read by the teacher.
4. The student can listen to an approved, unabridged audiotope of the book.

Using Cliff Notes, movies, videos, or abridged versions of A. R. books **is not acceptable**. **Students are not to receive help when taking AR tests from friends or parents.**

Students are to read books on approved grade levels. (See Reading Goals on back.) However, students may read books that are not on grade level from the following list: Newbery Medal and Newbery Honor winners, South Carolina Children's Book Award nominees and winners, South Carolina Junior Book Award nominees and winners, Birthday Book Club books in the child's honor, and Series books in which at least one is on grade level.

Each grade level has certain goals and requirements for students to achieve during each grading period. There are also class goals and individual goals for each grading period. Rewards/prizes are given when the goals are reached. A.R. recognition will be monthly, on Fridays, during Spirit Day (8:15 am). Please check the monthly calendar for the dates. Goals, prizes, and important A.R. dates are listed on the reverse side. Points earned for tests taken during the summer will count toward individual cumulative total points for prizes and recognition. They will not count toward the first 9 weeks goal. Testing for the 9 weeks goal will begin after Labor Day.

If you have any questions regarding A.R., please contact your child's teacher, Mrs. Nikolakakos (Librarian), Mrs. Spotts (Teacher Adviser) or Parent Guild representatives, Molly Lee or Holly Campbell. **HAPPY READING!!!!**



**"The man who does not read good books has no advantage over the man who cannot read them".**

Mark Twain

## A.R. Goals and Awards 2018-2019

### Awards - Grades 4-6

*Flash points must be turned in for every award level by Thursdays at 2:45 (first and last name).*

#### 4th - 6th Grades

50 points	Lanyard and Star Pin
100 points	T-shirt – Star Pin
150-350 points	Reading Pins for Lanyard
150 points	Sweet Frog gift certificate
200 points	Lunch & friend outside (4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> ); 6 <sup>th</sup> iTunes gift card
250 points	Barnes and Noble gift certificate
300 points	Make Daily Announcements on Intercom
350 points	Books may be read on Kindle/Nook at school
450 points	Assistant for the Day – Dog Tag
500 points	Gold Medallion and “500 Club” Plaque (5-16-19)
Most points	Reading Award Plaque (5-16-19)

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#### Individual Goals

##### Winter Party

4 <sup>th</sup> grade	90 points by January 7, 2019
5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grades	100 points by January 7, 2019

##### Summer Party

4 <sup>th</sup> grade	150 points by May 16, 2019
5 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> grades	175 points by May 16, 2019

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#### Class Quarterly Goals

100% meet goal – electronics/pj day

Class Goal (88%) – Extra recess on front lawn (Every student must contribute at least 10 points.)

6<sup>th</sup> 375 points; 5<sup>th</sup> 265 points; 4<sup>th</sup> 300 points

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#### Reading Goals for Grading Period

4 <sup>th</sup> grade	20 points (Books should be 3.5 level or above)
5 <sup>th</sup> grade	25 points (Books should be 4.5 level or above)
6 <sup>th</sup> grade	25 points (Books should be 5.5 level or above)

A.R. books are color coded in the school library to help students find the appropriate grade level books. The A.R. reading list has been placed in the public library and also can be located at <http://www.arbookfind.com>. The public libraries and area bookstores do not label their books for Accelerated Reader so please use the following website to see if a book your child wishes to read has an AR test associated with it:

<http://www.arbookfind.com>

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#### A.R. Reward Dates (Spirit Day - Friday)

##### Grades 4-6

September 7  
September 28  
November 9  
December 14  
January 25  
February 8  
March 1  
April 5  
May 10  
May 17

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**The last date to earn points for the summer party and AR awards is May 16.**

# A.R. Goals and Awards 2018-2019

## Awards - Grades 1 - 3

**Flash points must be turned in for every award level by Thursdays at 2:45 (first and last name).**

5 points Sticker (1 <sup>st</sup> )	100 points	T-shirt
10 points Pencil	150 points	Sweet Frog gift certificate
15 points Bookmark	200 points	Barnes and Noble gift certificate
25 points AR Button	250 points	Announcements for the Day (Intercom)
50-700 points AR Ribbons	300 points	Assistant for the Day (Approved by Headmaster)
	350 points	Lunch with a Friend (Pavilion)
	400 points	Lunch with Headmaster (off campus) <b>deadline 5-10-19</b>
	500 points	ASEDS "500 Club" Plaque <b>deadline 5-16-19</b>

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### Individual Goals

Winter Party	1 <sup>st</sup> grade	40 points by January 7, 2019
	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	60 points by January 7, 2019
	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	75 points by January 7, 2019
Summer Party	1 <sup>st</sup> grade	90 points by May 16, 2019
	2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	100 points by May 16, 2019
	3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	125 points by May 16, 2019

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### Class Quarterly Goals

100% meet goal – electronics day/pj day

Class goal (88%) – extra recess on front lawn (every student must contribute 5 points in 2<sup>nd</sup> and 7 points in 3<sup>rd</sup>)

2<sup>nd</sup> grade – 210 points; 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – 185 points

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### Reading Goals for Grading Period

2 <sup>nd</sup> grade	15 points (Books should be 1.5 level or above)
3 <sup>rd</sup> grade	15 points (Books should be 2.5 level or above)

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### A.R. Reward Dates at Spirit Day (not every Spirit Day is an AR date)

#### Grades 1 - 3

September 14  
October 12  
November 16  
December 7  
January 11  
February 1  
February 22  
March 8  
April 12  
May 10  
May 17

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**The last date to earn points for the summer party is May 16.**

**The last date to take AR tests for awards is May 16.**