

Dear Holy Redeemer Parents,

Accelerated Reader (AR) is a computer program used at Holy Redeemer to allow students in grades 1 through 8 to test their reading comprehension on books they read both for class assignments and for pleasure. Grades are not taken on these tests, but students earn points for tests that are passed successfully. It is a self-motivating program and small prizes are earned by the students throughout the year with are tied to the AR theme chosen for the school year. This year's theme is "Team A.R.", and students will be earning prizes such as small favors, bookmarks, books, lunch with the teacher... Higher level point earners receive things such as Out of Uniform passes, their picture on the AR wall, etc. If you would like to track your child's progress in the AR program, follow these steps:

## 1. Login to:

https://Hosted32.renlearn.com/189889/HomeConnect/Login.aspx

- 2. Username: This is the first initial of your child's first name and either the first 3 or 4 letters of his or her last name. Example: John Smith's username would be jsmi or jsmit
- 3. Password: abc (all students use this same password)
  Once you have logged in, there are different functions which can be performed in order to view your child's progress. In addition, you may set up email alerts if you would like to be notified each time your child takes an AR test. Simply click on Email Setup in the upper right hand corner of your screen and follow the steps. Please, contact me if you have any questions regarding the AR program.

Sincerely,

Maria Galli