

# ACCELERATED READER

Here's a riddle:

When can you take a trip filled with wild adventures, visit a foreign country, go back in time, and never leave the comforts of your home?

Answer: Whenever you read a book.

This summer and throughout the school year we would like to encourage the students of St. John's Lutheran School to read.

Join us this summer in starting the A/R program, "The Battle to Build Better Readers". Four dates have been set aside for you to take A/R tests this summer in the computer lab at St. John's between the hours of 4:00pm and 6:00pm.

<u>Goals for A/R</u>		<u>Summer Test Dates</u>
Grade 1	10 points	June 26, Friday
Grade 2	40 points	July 14, Tuesday
Grade 3	50 points	July 31, Friday
Grade 4	60 points	August 13, Thursday
Grade 5	70 points	
Grade 6	80 points	
Grade 7	90 points	
Grade 8	100 points	

## ACCELERATED READER PROCEDURES

We encourage the children to read the books on their own, but children may read with their parents for these circumstances:

- ✘ Grades 1-8
- ✘ Reading together for family time
- ✘ Reading to a struggling student. (With teacher permission)

### Grades 1-5

- ✘ Teacher gives permission for child who is reading challenging material and needs help.
- ✘ Children will take required tests such as: Reading quizzes, leveled reader books, and assigned novels during school. Other tests can be taken during child's computer time or free time.
- ✘ If a child waits too long to take a test they may forget the information. If a child needs extra time to take tests, they may be taken before or after school with teacher's permission when accompanied by an adult.
- ✘ Prizes are awarded for reaching goals set by teacher.
- ✘ Children reaching their goal with a 70% or higher in grades 1-5 will be awarded a pool party at the Gateway YWCA in Winston-Salem at the end of the school year.

### Grades 6-8

- ✘ Participating Middle School teachers would like to challenge the students to surpass their average number of points beginning June 22 and ending May 24th. The top three students per class that exceed the average points will be given a ticket to Carowinds.
- ✘ Children reaching their goal with a 70% or higher in grades 6-8 will be awarded a trip to "Emerald Point Water Park".
- ✘ If you find that a test is not on A/R, you may purchase the test for \$3.50 through the school provided the test is available. Tests will be ordered each quarter. You can find out if a test is available by looking up [www.renaissancelearning.com](http://www.renaissancelearning.com).
- ✘ To find out if St. John's has a test, look at [www.stjohns.org](http://www.stjohns.org).
- ✘ Please donate any gently used books that your child has already read to your child's classroom to help the A/R program.