

We have attempted to begin our Accelerated (AR) Reading Program. This is an important aspect of our Independent Reading time in our classroom. We are encouraging students to take AR tests on the books they've completed in order to "Check for Understanding". However, it is important that students know what it means to successfully read a book. Thus, we are going to emphasize our AR reading program a little bit more in our classroom so that students know their reading progress a little better.

What is Accelerated Reading (AR)?

Accelerated Reading (AR) is when your child reads a book on his/her level and then comes to school to take a brief comprehension test on the book they've read. It helps students become better independent readers as they read books and monitor their understanding (comprehension). Students should read their library books, classroom books, or books from home at least twice before coming to school to take an AR test. Students should also try to read with an adult if they are struggling with reading. *For our kindergarten students this will be a huge motivator and help to build independent readers.

November's Reading Goal

We want to encourage as much reading as possible. Thus, nine weeks goals are set so that students continue to read and take tests. Students may surpass their goal. All students should endeavor to meet their goal. This month's goal is $\underline{7}$ books! Please encourage your child to read daily for at least 20 minutes at home.

Books?

Accelerated Reading (AR) books are available in our classroom library, school library, and the public library. Many of the books you purchase are also AR books.

Join us November 29th @ 5:30 p.m. for our Accelerated Reader (AR) Kickoff!

Reading is our EPS superpower!

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