

Summer 2010

Dear St. Mary's Families,

**Accelerated Reader** is one program offered by the **Renaissance Learning Company**. We have used this program at St. Mary's since 1996 with great success. Upgrading to the online version of AR this year gives families the opportunity to access information from home computers. **Renaissance Home Connect** is your portal to view reading records at home by logging in with your AR User Name and Password.

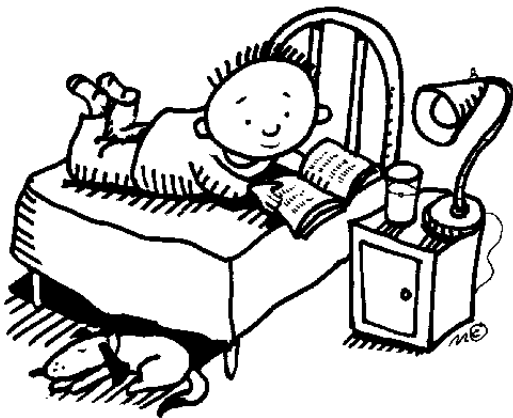
When you log into the student account through Home Connect, you will see overall progress for the school year. In order to see all testing completed since the first quiz taken, click on View My Bookshelf. The bookshelf can be sorted by date or title. Click on individual books to view quiz results and book details. **Email Setup** in the top toolbar when you log in allows you to sign up for notification of testing activity. Also available when you log in is a link to **AR Bookfinder**, the online tool to find AR books.

All this information and more details about the AR program are available in the First Class Accelerated Reader Folder. Thank you for encouraging your children to read and for supporting the Accelerated Reader program through the Parents' Association. Please feel free to e-mail me with any questions.

AR Bookfinder: [www.arbookfind.com](http://www.arbookfind.com)

Home Connect: <https://Hosted108.renlearn.com/69084/HomeConnect/Login.aspx>

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