



Dear Parent/Guardian,

In Holy Cross Boys' we are constantly striving to get our boys enthusiastic about reading. We realise that not everyone loves to read as much as others might, but our message about the importance of reading never changes. Through our Accelerated Reader Programme, the pupils have the opportunity to read an ever-increasing variety of books.

Post-reading quizzes allow the boys to test their retention of key details in the book they've read. It is no coincidence that those boys reading the most historically, perform better on all types of testing both formal and informal in the school. Our message is that it's never too late to start new habits or change old ones.

To motivate and invigorate the boys to read we have many rewarding incentives available for the boys to challenge themselves to win. Those reading and quizzing the most in each class will get an opportunity to guess a three-digit code to a locked AR Treasure Box with £20 inside. If a pupil guesses the right combination, it's his to keep.



From next week, we will also be issuing a variety of passes eg. Homework, Break of Choice, Non-Uniform and Extra play passes. These will be issued on a weekly basis to those that are showing their class teacher more effort in their reading.

Please encourage the boys to read at home as it is vital to continued improvements in attainment.

Thanks for your continued support.

Mr Connolly

(AR Coordinator)

