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Dear Parent/Carer

## READ'IT!

We are delighted to let you know about the launch of our exciting literacy strategy Read'It!

Read'It! is a reading scheme to encourage our students to use the school library, developing a love of reading and reading for pleasure. We have a wide range of fiction and non-fiction books that students can access in the library.

Each student has received their Read'It! reward card which they will use to collect stamps each time they complete a book. For Years 7 to 9 this includes the completion of a book, and quiz, on Accelerated Reader.

Rewards will be offered for student engagement with the programme:

- **3 stamps:** students will receive a free pen or bookmark
- **6 stamps:** students will be invited to our 'Starbooks Café' which is located in our school library, where they can enjoy a hot chocolate and some relaxation with a great book.

Reading is the number one factor that contributes to a child's success personally and academically. Please encourage your child to read at home and engage in conversations about the texts they are reading, whether this be a comic, newspaper report, sporting review or novel.

To ensure all students in Year 7 to 9 are familiar with the school library, commencing next week all English classes will have an induction lesson in the library. This will allow students to select a book of their choice that they can read for pleasure. Please ask your child about their book selection and encourage them to engage with this at home.

Since the launch of Read'It! this week it has brought me much joy to see our students in the library engaging with a range of texts and hearing such animated conversations about what they are reading.

We look forward to welcoming more students into the library and supporting them on their reading journey.

Best wishes,

**Mrs G Skyner**

**Assistant Headteacher**