



Accelerated Reader Information 2019 - 2020

We expect students at Shimotsu Elementary to participate in the Accelerated Reader (AR) program. AR participation for Kindergarten students will begin second semester. In an effort to encourage students to excel in AR, the following guidelines will be used for incentives and rewards.

Students should strive to meet their AR Goal every grading period, and that means meeting the requirements in three components: Average Percent Correct, Points, and Average Book Level. To meet an AR Goal, the Average Percent Correct must be 85 or higher, the Points earned must not be less than those set by the teacher, and the Average Book Level must be at or above the goal set by the teacher.

Each grading period that a student meets his AR goal he will enjoy 30 minutes of recess.

A student who meets his AR Goal two or three times during the first semester will participate in a Cookies 'n Juice celebration, and a student who meets his AR Goal two or three times during the second semester will participate in a Popsicle celebration.

A student who reads at least one million words will enjoy a special luncheon at school.

End-of-Year Awards:

Certificates will be awarded to students who met their AR Goal 6 times and certificates will also be awarded to students who read at least one million words.

Six students in each 1st - 6th grade class who have earned the most points (and met yearly AR Goal) will be recognized—top 3 students will receive trophies and next 3 will receive medals.* Three students in each Kindergarten class who have earned the most points (and met yearly AR Goal) will be recognized by receiving trophies.* Two students in each K - 6th grade class who have shown the most effort will receive a medal.

*In case of ties for highest points, Average Percent Correct will be considered, followed by the Average Book Level to break a tie.

For questions, please contact Mrs. Bewley or Mr. Limon at 956.583.5643.