Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

This is a very difficult and uncertain time for us all, particularly for children and young people and the pressure is on to make the best of the time at home and to keep going and supporting one another.

As our Year 7 students, and their Parents and Carers are aware, we have begun to use the Accelerated Reader program at Northgate and our students continue to enjoy huge success and progress, helping to build a flourishing reading culture at the School.

In these uncertain times, when we need to keep learning and keep ourselves strong and healthy in our minds as well as bodies, there is nothing better for ALL of us than enjoying some reading time and sharing our reading with friends and family. This is why we are encouraging all of you in Year 7 to keep going with your Accelerated Reader quizzing and share what you're enjoying with family at home and with friends online.

There is a wealth of excellent reading material through various platforms and now, thanks to the Renaissance myON software, you can access thousands of online books for free!

Just follow the link at the bottom of this letter and discover some fantastic books to help you to keep making progress with your reading and literacy, and keep yourself calm and happy at home.

It's not just Year 7 who can benefit from this! The software is open to everyone, of all ages, and the message is for everyone in the school, Students and Staff, as well as everyone at home: reading helps with EVERY SUBJECT and can be a wonderful way to pass the time and stay happy and healthy; just twenty minutes of reading a day can have huge benefits for your academic progress and your mental health!

A BIG well done from all of the team at Northgate for staying focused, and remember to share your reading suggestions.

You're all amazing and we'll soon be back at school and able to share our reading and learning with one another.

Stay safe and keep reading!

Remember to follow the link:

https://readon.myon.co.uk/

Best wishes to you all,

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