



New Reading Scheme for Year 7s **Renaissance Learning**

As part of the drive to improve literacy levels by encouraging reading (both fiction and non-fiction), Barclay school has introduced a specialist reading scheme. All students in year 7 will be given an interactive reading test and then helped to pick books that are within their reading ability range. This system helps all students to read at a higher level, from those who struggle to those who read at an adult level. All of us can improve our vocabulary, general knowledge, punctuation and style by reading a range of books and our aim is to improve each student's level.

This scheme will run for three afternoons a week during registration time but the students will be encouraged to take their books home to continue reading there. Eventually parents will be able to log on to the school's website to see what their child is reading and how they are progressing.

If you would like to know more about this system you can investigate Renaissance Learning's website at <http://www.renlearn.co.uk/> where there is a wide range of explanation and detail, including some interesting articles by schools which have been running the program for some time.