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EDUCATION - Nottingham High School's Year of Reading

Nottingham High School has launched a new initiative, the Year of Reading, to encourage the boys to read more. The initiative is designed to explore reading habits, preferences, and philosophies about reading and its importance and a series of activities has been planned, all with the aim of capturing the imagination and interest of the pupils.

The programme includes visits from celebrated authors; Chris de Lacey, who wrote the Dragon trilogy and Eleanor Updale, author of the Montmorency books, are due to visit the school. Beverley Naidoo, who wrote the Carnegie Medal Winning novel, *The Other Side of Truth*, along with Nottinghamshire County Cricketer Mark Wagh, writer of 'Pavilion to Crease... and Back' have already visited.

Other activities include a sponsored readathon in aid of CLIC Sargent and the Roald Dahl Foundation, reading and writing seminars and assemblies and a poetry competition. In addition, there is a 'Recommend a Read' wall in the school library.



"So far our Year of Reading has been a great success," said Kevin Fear, headmaster at Nottingham High School. "We aim for at least one activity each month which we hope will help equip the boys with the skills to proceed successfully in their academic careers, as well as rekindle a love of reading for its own sake."