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Dear parent/carers

Readathon – Nottingham Vs Derby

We are very excited to be taking part in this year's Nottingham Vs Derby Readathon, where we will find out which city's students can read for the most minutes in one week from **Monday 30 September to Sunday 6 October**.

Throughout the week starting 30 September, students will be encouraged to keep a log of all of the minutes they spend reading each day using <https://trackmyread.org/school/the-bulwell-academy-588614> - which can also be found on the Student Portal homepage.

Students will receive a special Readathon bookmark and sponsor sheet and will be invited to take part in all kinds of reading activities throughout the week.

For one such activity, student volunteers from The Bulwell Academy will be visiting local primary schools to read to the students there, sharing their love of books and helping to inspire their younger peers. We understand some of our local primaries are also taking part in the Readathon, meaning we'll all be adding our reading minutes to Nottingham's total.

We would like to make it clear that the Readathon fundraising is completely optional. If you cannot donate for any reason, that's okay! Please encourage your child to read anyway, as their reading minutes will still count towards our total and may help us to beat Derby (which is very important for all of the Forest fans out there). Anything counts, whether they're reading novels or comics or magazines, or even listening to audiobooks.

If you are able to donate, please see the letter via the link below from 'Read For Good', the chosen charity of this Readathon. Read For Good bring books and story tellers into children's hospitals to bring joy to young people in difficult times.

<https://bit.ly/Readforgoodfundraising>

The Bulwell Academy will also receive book vouchers worth 20% of the total donations to make our school library even more useful and welcoming for our students.

If you have any questions about the Readathon, please contact our school librarian Mr Hunt (joel.hunt@bulwellacademy.org.uk).

Thank you for your support.



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