

CBBC Autumn Highlights

Blue Peter Book Awards 2003

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It's eyes down once more for one of the biggest events in the CBBC calendar – the annual Blue Peter Book Awards.

As usual, *Blue Peter* viewers have been busy reading books published in the past year and writing reviews of their favourites to try to win a place on the young judging panel. The lucky ones will join the panel of celebrity judges, chaired by writer and broadcaster Ian Hislop, to deliberate over the shortlist and decide on this year's awards. The winning books will be announced in a star-studded ceremony from BBC Television Centre.

Winners in six categories will then compete for the coveted accolade of Blue Peter Book Of The Year, which in 2002 was won by Nicky Singer for her debut novel *Feather Boy*.

Bring It On

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The CBBC show that sets its presenters a challenge is back, with some daring new faces joining the *Bring It On* team.

Reggie and Dev (of CBBC's *Smile*) are off to join the circus for their challenge. CBBC presenters Barney and Jake see how the other half live when they become butlers at the Ritz. And *SMart*'s Kirsten O'Brien and Mark Speight don their checked shirts to train as lumberjacks.

Regular presenters Ania and Fran travel to America to become cheerleaders and to South Africa to become safari guides. They also confront their fears when they learn to dive and take underwater pictures of great white sharks.

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Byker Grove

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The popular Geordie drama *Byker Grove* returns for a 15th series in September, with the onset of some highly dramatic and unexpected storylines as well as more subtle comic moments.

You'll find some new faces as well as the usual *Byker* favourites. Heart-throb Ben (Andrew Hayden-Smith) battles to tow the line with the law but with some danger ahead. Twins Adam and Luke (Alex and Dominic Beebe) find themselves "lucky in love", or are they? – especially when Bradley (Nic Nancarrow) is the one playing Cupid. Will Bradley's match-making misdemeanours leave Leanne (Rachael Lee) in tears?

A firm favourite with viewers, the magic of *Byker Grove* is guaranteed to keep CBBC audiences glued to their screens in the new series.

Dick & Dom in da Bungalow

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The CBBC Channel's favourite duo bring their anarchic brand of weekend humour to Saturday mornings on CBBC ONE this autumn. Join the boys – Richard McCourt and Dominic Wood – every Saturday for an energetic and stunt-filled start to the weekend.

It's strictly a parent-free and anti-celeb zone, and each week they'll be joined in "da bungalow" by a group of young friends from around the UK – but do they know what they've let themselves in for?

As well as games, stunts, and a helping of *Yvon of the Ukon*, Dick and Dom will be wreaking havoc on their unsuspecting guests with their games *Make Dick Sick*, *Bogies*, *Creamy Muck Muck* and *Pumpy Rumpy*. And the fun continues with Dick and Dom on The CBBC Channel on Sunday mornings.

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