

Activities 2019

The Book Club regularly organises interactions with authors, as well as other creative events. The members of the Club meet once a month to discuss a book, or have a discussion around the world of books and writing. On 26th March, the Club collaborated with the History department of the college to organise a Dastangoi performance with Fouzia Dastango and Saneya Dastango. On 12th April, we hosted author Krishna Udayasankar, who gave a preview of her new book *Beast* (Penguin, 2019). She interacted with the students on the writing of fiction and read out selections from her novel. On 4th September we invited author Devapriya Roy for a discussion around her new novel, *Friends from College* (Westland, 2019). Since the story of the novel revolved around a reunion of old college friends, the subject appealed greatly to the students. Roy discussed her characters, read out from the Kolkata sections of the novel and patiently answered the questions on writing posed by the audience. On 23rd October, the Book Club collaborated with the English Literary Society to organise a lecture-demonstration on 'Daryaganj's Parallel Book History' by Ms Kanupriya Dhingra (PhD Scholar, School of Oriental and African Studies, London). Dhingra shared her research on the informal book markets in Delhi, and their social, economic and literary dimension.