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# From the President



s the new President of St John's. I write with thanks for your continuing support. Some of my first duties have involved meeting alumni and I have greatly enjoyed learning more about this loyal community. Your continued engagement is very important; collectively, our alumni and friends are the College's most important external resource. I would like to strengthen this bond still further, especially as I am taking up this role during an exceptionally difficult time for Higher Education. For the first time in our history our undergraduate students will face tuition fees of  $f_{9}$ k p.a. – around three times the amount paid by those who came up last year. I am very concerned about the impact this will have on our students and their families. As the costs of living continue to rise without necessarily a commensurate rise in incomes, we want to ensure that high fees do not deter able applicants from less advantaged backgrounds. Our tutors should always be able to select the very best students regardless of means and needs. Once admitted, students should have access to resources that will enable them to thrive and flourish at St John's: the books they need; access to field trips and, most of all, to have the freedom to learn.

We are extremely lucky that the Alumni Fund provides resources to support key initiatives like the Schools Liaison Programme, the Student Ambassador Scheme, Hardship Grants, Book Grants, Academic Grants and Vacation Residence Study Grants; through these schemes we will be able to ensure that students are encouraged to apply regardless of their circumstances. I hope that students who benefit today will be disposed to support us in future; in our case, charity truly begins at home.

Inevitably, given these changes, a particular focus of fundraising in the coming years will be fee waivers and bursaries. We remain heavily dependent too on income from our endowment. However, I believe we would be making an error if we increased the drawdown on our endowment assets still further. Your philanthropy today is helping us achieve the targets needed to safeguard the future of our College and its students. With your help, the College is now spending around *f*<sup>I</sup> million every year on various forms of student support. We cannot be complacent; we have other pressing issues, not least the ongoing need to fund graduate scholarships; of which there are few available nationally, particularly in the Humanities and Social Sciences.

As incoming President I have been extremely impressed to hear of the take up of the Alumni Fund, and the endowment gifts you have given since Sir Michael Scholar first established the 450 Fund in 2005. All this has been put to good use: we offer excellent provision for our undergraduates; we are working on a scheme to provide bursaries that will match those provided by the Moritz-Heyman scheme to all students with a family income below  $f_{16,000}$  p.a.; we provide more fully-funded Graduate Scholarships and Junior Research Fellowships than any other college, as well as many sport, cultural and extra-curricular activities. St John's College is a remarkable place and I feel very privileged to have been elected its President. I am very much looking forward to working with you and to forming new friendships. I would like to thank Sir Michael for his foresight and commitment to these causes, without which the College would be a lesser place.

Margoel Sunling

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# Participate in Excellence: Five Years On



his year's cover photo provides us with an opportunity to blow our own 'trumpet'. That is not the St John's way, however. The College goes about its business in its usual quiet and understated manner. It has become a tradition, on the other hand, to celebrate and recognise the generosity of our benefactors, without whom we would not have been able to provide so many opportunities for our students.

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# Summary Financial Report

### The College relies heavily on income generated from endowment funds.

#### INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

|  | 2011–2012 | 2010–2011 | 2009–2010 |
|--|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| INCOMP   | £000      | £000      | £000      |
| INCOME   |           |           |           |
| Resources from charitable activities <sup>1</sup>                  |           |           |           |
| Teaching and research  | 5,382     | 5,007     | 5,035     |
| Resources from generated funds                                     |           |           |           |
| Legacies and donations   | 1,927     | 1,542     | 1,360     |
| Trading income   | 671       | 759       | 675       |
| Investment income  | 11,905    | 10,907    | 10,622    |
| Bank and other interest  | 26        | IO        | 0         |
| Other incoming resources   |           |           |           |
| Profits on sale of charitable fixed assets                         | 2         | 27        | 607       |
| Total Incoming Resources   | 19,913    | 18,252    | 18,299    |
| EXPENDITURE  |           |           |           |
| Cost of generating funds   |           |           |           |
| Fundraising  | 292       | 301       | 316       |
| Trading expenditure  | 557       | 545       | 620       |
| Investment Management costs <sup>2</sup>                           | 3,398     | 3,121     | 3,806     |
| Charitable activities  |           |           |           |
| Teaching and research  | 19,057    | 18,826    | 15,677    |
| Public worship   | 140       | 201       | 195       |
| Governance costs   | 108       | 128       | 159       |
| Total Resources Expended   | 23,552    | 23,122    | 20,773    |
| Surplus/deficit for the year before transfer from investment gains | (3,639)   | (4,870)   | (2,474)   |

#### NOTES

The full Annual Report and Financial Statements will be available in January 2013 at: www.ox.ac.uk/about\_the\_university/facts\_and\_figures/college\_finances13.html

<sup>I</sup>Charitable income includes research income and income from educational conferences, as well as student related income.

<sup>2</sup>Investment management figure includes building repairs and maintenance, Bagley Wood costs and rent, rates and insurances.







Charitable Income & Expenditure

# Legacies and Donation Income



# The 'Foundres'

Dr Jonathan Snicker (1986, PPE) points out that St John's owes its survival to the Lady Joan White and to some very creative thinking.

he Governing Body has elected St John's first female President, a significant change and one which the entire community – students, staff, Fellows and alumni – has greeted with pride and acclaim. Professor Maggie Snowling's achievements have been documented elsewhere; I feel sure St John's will benefit from her insight and leadership in the years ahead.

Professor Snowling is not the first woman to have exerted a considerable influence upon St John's, however. The Lady Joan White was a potent force during the College's early years - in fact she is acknowledged as a 'fowndres' in Sir Thomas White's will. Now is the time I think to make more of this fact. Under London custom. 'dame Joane', White's second wife, was entitled upon his death to claim half of her late husband's personal property, as well as the remainder of the jointure that had been established for her. Had this been taken up, St John's financial position would have been rendered, at best, precarious, if not untenable. Already the income from the endowment was less than half the amount needed to run the College on the basis proposed by Sir Thomas. After protracted negotiations, Joan White agreed to forgo her rights, once it was clear she would be provided for during her lifetime. She was, in effect, a benefactor as well as a 'fowndres' of the College. White's will declared too that she would have great powers as a governess, although these were subsequently restricted. (Relations with Mrs Mathew, White's sister and a powerful local businesswoman, were more fraught).\*

What is striking about the early history of St John's is the way in which the great themes of the time can be discerned in microcosm; religious fervour and devotion being affected by the new learning and the opening up of trade routes. Sir Thomas, a devout Catholic with a mystical bent, functioned as a pragmatic man and early capitalist. He set up loan funds in twenty-four cities – his portrait can be found in civic buildings across the land (although it is said his sister posed for many); in Coventry he is immortalised in stone. Many of his loan funds are charities today.

St John's was faced with a financial crisis at the outset and thus people put their minds and creative energies to meeting the challenge and resolving the issues. It would be foolish to suggest that the generalised concept of equal rights across the sexes would have had much traction in the sixteenth century, or be enshrined in legislation; nevertheless women's rights are perhaps implied by the decision-making as is a degree of power and influence. No polity can be judged solely by its laws, after all the Soviet constitution was reputed to depict a model of good governance and propriety, but also by its norms and values. In this case, a modicum of civility and respect seems to have resulted in a positive outcome; one that we benefit from today.

St John's was established by its founder and foundress as a centre for 'the learning of the sciences of holy divinity, philosophy, and good arts'. Today, centres of learning are subject to new, external, pressures. Recent debate has focussed on the challenges of the 'multiversity' – courses offered over the internet at little or no cost. So



worried are some of our counterparts in the USA by this, that drastic measures have resulted the President of the University of Virginia was dismissed (then reinstated after a Faculty revolt) by the Board of Trustees for not doing enough to meet these challenges. Away from teaching, outstanding universities can point out that the internet is a good delivery mechanism, yet it does not lend itself to the conduct of cuttingedge research. St John's and Oxford are wellplaced for additional reasons it can be argued. Although many Oxford lectures are now available on iTunesU, the internet cannot easily provide direct and personal teaching and supervision by renowned scholars and scientists; nor can it provide references that stem from direct interaction and personal contact.

'What if' approaches to history have become a popular way of using the past to assess our present, and future: it may be instructive to speculate about our Founders' responses to these challenges, had they been alive today. In his letter, given to Scholars and Fellows in our time, written during his mortal illness of February 1566, 'To Mr. President, the Fellowes and Schollers of St. John's Colledge, in Oxon.', Sir Thomas White expresses himself in a way not heard in the public discourse of our day, 'desyringe Almightie God that euerye one of you maye loue one another as brethren; and I shall desire you all to apply your learninge and soe doinge God shall give you his blessinge both in this worlde and in the worlde to come. And further more, if any uariaunce or strife doe arise amonge you, I shall desyre you for God's loue to pacifye it as much as you maye; and that doinge I put noe doubt but God shall blesse euerye one of you'.

Nonetheless, the core ideas of seeking to resolve disputes to the best of one's ability and applying one's learning resonate through the centuries. I am sure Sir Thomas would say the survival and success of St John's is due in part to Providence, and for saying this he would encounter *'uariance or strife'* in our, more secular, time. He was also a practical man and thus I am sure he would have welcomed the challenge that new educational technologies present – perhaps even becoming an internet education entrepreneur himself.

After Sir Thomas' demise, Joan White was left with more immediate concerns. She was not the only foundress of a college to face challenges: Dervoguilla at Balliol, Lady Frances Sidney at Sidney Sussex and the extraordinary Dorothy Wadham, who, in her seventies and largely housebound, having been given a contradictory mandate by her dying husband Nicholas, managed, in four years, to found and build Wadham College. C.S.L. Davies (EHR, 2003) tells us that her 'skilful networking was essential to the project'; that she had to act forcefully, particularly against individuals who were trying to rip her off, somehow getting her own way within a culture that expected modesty, deference and obedience. She managed to fight this sexism, in part, by appealing to the judgement of the Almighty over, for example, the 'simony' of her opponents.

Less is known about Lady Joan and perhaps my speculative narrative ought to end here; although her negotiations with Sir William Cordell and the Merchant Taylors must have required considerable acumen on the part of our foundress.

\*See Benefactors: Making St John's, a 450th Anniversary publication

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|--|-------------------------------------|---|--|
| Anonymous<br>RAWLINSON BENEFACTOR<br>(£500,000 +)  | 1994                                | Anonymous<br>Mr John Appleby * <sup>◊</sup><br>Mr Mark Bedingham<br>The late John Calloman<br>Mr Ronald Duff *<br>Professor Kevin Gatter *  |  |
| Mr Daniel Slifkin * $^{\circ}$   | 1984                                | Mr Peter Jarvis   |  |
| HOLMES BENEFACTORS   |                                     | Mr Martin Jones *   |  |
| (£250,000 +)   |                                     | The late Mr Burke Knapp 1933  |  |
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| Mr Edward Hocknell $^{\circ}$  | 1980                                | J Ronald Penzer *   |  |
| Mr Matthew Lindsey-Clark * <sup>0</sup>  | 1900                                | Mr Timothy Polglase *   |  |
| & Mrs Frances Lindsey-Clark * <sup>0</sup> °   | 1901                                | Mr Michael Pragnell *   |  |
| The late Mr Alan Root  | 1901                                | •   |  |
|  | 1942                                | Dr David Thomas * <sup>0</sup>  |  |
| FEREDAY BENEFACTORS  |                                     |   |  |
| (£100,000 +)   |                                     | JUXON BENEFACTORS   |  |
|  |                                     | (£10,000 +)   |  |
| Anonymous  | Fellow                              |   |  |
| The late Dr Gordon Baker   | Fellow                              | Anonymous   |  |
| Mr Nicholas Bratt *  | 1967                                | Anonymous in memory of  |  |
| The late Professor Elizabeth Fallaize  |                                     |   |  |
| & Professor Alan Grafen  |                                     | Mr John Adams   |  |
| Dr Peter Fan * <sup>◊</sup>  | 1954                                | Mr Bill Carson *  |  |
| Mr Yungtai Hsu *   | 1971                                | The late Prof. Fritz Caspari 1933   |  |
| Mr Roger Short *   | 1958                                | Mr Michael Collett *  |  |
| & Mrs Susan Short *  |                                     | Mr Rupert Cox *<br>Mr Michael Day *   |  |
| CASBERD BENEFACTORS  |                                     | Mr Robert Garvin * <sup>◊</sup>   |  |
| (£50,000 +)  |                                     | Mr John Graham * $^{\circ}$   |  |
|  |                                     | Mr Joe Hassett  |  |
| Anonymous  | Hon Fellow                          | Mr John Heath   |  |
| Anonymous *  | Fellow                              | Mr Robert Kipling   |  |
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\* Gift or additional gift made in the past year (all gifts are cumulative) |  $^{\diamond}$  Member of the 450 Generation  $^{\infty}$  Member of the Chancellor's Court of Benefactors |  $^{\circ}$  Member of the Vice-Chancellor's Circle

Mr Philip Collins

| Mrs Cressida Legge                       | 1987       |
|--|------------|
| The Honorable Keith Long * $^{\diamond}$ | 1976       |
| Mr Peter Loose *                         | 1953       |
| Mr Denis Moriarty * <sup>◊</sup>         | 1956       |
| Mr Sandy Muirhead * <sup>0</sup>         | 1972       |
| Mr David O'Connell <sup>◊</sup>          | 1982       |
| & Mrs Janet O'Connell <sup>◊</sup>       | 1982       |
| Mr Will Pack <sup>◊</sup>                | 1990       |
| Mr Richard Philpott *                    | 1957       |
| Sir Michael Scholar * <sup>◊</sup>       | Hon Fellow |
| Mr Bill Scott *                          | 1975       |
| Mr Pratik Shah                           | 1992       |
| Mr Richard Simon *                       | 1951       |
| Mr Howard Smith *                        | 1986       |
| Dr Gillian Sutherland                    | Friend     |
| Mr Ben Travers                           | 1953       |
| Dr Jay Watson                            | 1984       |
| Dr Trudy Watt * <sup>◊</sup>             | 1971       |
| Professor Martin West *                  | 1955       |
| Mr Matthew Whittell *                    | 1983       |
| Dr Jon Wittmann *                        | 1970       |
| The Tisbury Telegraph Trust *            | Trust      |
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### THE 450 GENERATION (2005-2007) (£5,000 +)

| Anon. 1946 '49 '54 '57 '58 '6  | 4 '76 '79 '84 '85 '94 |
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| Mr Melville Adams              | 1936                  |
| Dr John Anderson *             | 1950                  |
| Mr John Archard                | 1969                  |
| Dr Pauline Bashforth           | 1988                  |
| Mr Alexander Bashforth         | 1988                  |
| Dr Michael Baxendine *         | 1955                  |
| His Honour Richard Behar *     | 1960                  |
| The late Professor Frank Bisby | 1964                  |
| Dr Ian Bostridge *             | 1983                  |
| Mr Philip Bowcock *            | 1944                  |
| Dr Tony Boyce *                | Hon Fellow & 1957     |
| Mr Yohan Bräunling             | 1991                  |
| Dr Jason Breed                 | 1989                  |
| Mr Nathan-Madonna Byers        | 1989                  |
| Mr Nigel Carrington *          | 1975                  |
| Mr Ernest Chapman              | 1954                  |
| Mr Mitchell Cohen              | 1975                  |

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| 76  | The late Mr John Crocker       | 1936 |
| 953 | Mr David Cullingham *          | 1954 |
| 56  | Mr Timothy Day *               | 1970 |
| 72  | Mr Michael Deeming             | 1963 |
| 82  | Mr Doran Doeh                  | 1968 |
| 82  | Dr Jonathan Duke-Evans *       | 1974 |
| 90  | Dr Ralph Ecclestone            | 1974 |
| 957 | Mr Simon Ellis                 | 1974 |
| ow  | Mr Thomas Ewing                | 1995 |
| 975 | Professor Bernard Gee          | 1945 |
| 92  | Mr Keith Gerrish               | 1957 |
| 951 | Mr Martyn Glastonbury          | 1970 |
| 86  | Professor Anthony Guest *      | 1950 |
| nd  | Sir Nicholas Hamblen           | 1976 |
| 953 | Sir Stuart Hampson *           | 1966 |
| 84  | His Honour Tom Heald           | 1942 |
| 971 | Mr William Henderson           | 1969 |
| 955 | Mr Brian Hill                  | 1950 |
| )83 | Ms Sara Hudston *              | 1986 |
| 70  | The late Mr Noel Hughes        | 1940 |
| ust | Mr Alastair Hunter *           | 1975 |
|     | Mr Harry Kidd                  | 1936 |
|     | Mr Robert Kipling              | 1974 |
|     | Mr Simon Lebus                 | 1976 |
|     | Mr David Lindsay               | 1941 |
| 94  | Mr John Lloyd                  | 1961 |
| 36  | The late Mr Mervyn Loft-Simson | 1945 |
| 50  | Mr William Mackesy *           | 1978 |
| 69  | Mr Nicol McGregor              | 1963 |
| 88  | Mr Peter McManus *             | 1959 |
| 00  |                                |      |



# Core Benefactors

| Du Minal Main *                  |                  |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Dr Nigel Meir *                  | 1975             |
| Mr Frank Mumby                   | 1960             |
| Mr Jonathan Nash                 | 1981             |
| Mr Ernest Newhouse               | 1957             |
| Dr Desmond Orr                   | <sup>1</sup> 944 |
| Mr Peter Owen                    | 1964             |
| Mr Toby Owens *                  | 1989             |
| Dr Robert Oxlade                 | 1959             |
| Mr Stephen Oxlade *              | 1967             |
| Professor John Ratcliffe *       | 1957             |
| The late Mr James Reed           | 1943             |
| Mr Alan Reid                     | 1963             |
| Mr Malcolm Reid                  | 1948             |
| Mr Andrew Reynolds *             | 1993             |
| The Rt Hon Sir Stephen Richards* | 1968             |
| Mr Martyn Robinson               | 1964             |
| Mr Richard Rook                  | 1984             |
| Mr David Scorey *                | 1992             |
| Mrs Katie Scorey *               | 1994             |
| The late Mrs Valentine Sillery   | Friend           |
| Mr Richard Simon *               | 1951             |
| Dr Rashmi Tank                   | 1988             |
| Mr Geoffrey Tantum               | 1966             |
| His Honour Judge Robert Taylor * | 1957             |
| Mr Roger Thomas *                | 1974             |
| Mr Ian Topping *                 | 1978             |
| Mr Peter Watson                  | 1947             |
| The late Mr Melvin Watterson     | 1940             |
| Mr Ric Williams                  | 1985             |
| Mr Nicholas Wilson               | 1962             |
| Mr Graham Wood *                 | 1966             |
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| 1960   |                              |                 |
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| 1981   | Anonymous                    | ʻ57 ʻ61 '85 ʻ89 |
| 1957   | Mr Rupert Atkin *            | 1977            |
| 1944   | Mr Stephen Barber            | 1974            |
| 1964   | Mr Roger Bexon               | 1943            |
| 1989   | Mr Tim Bridges *             | 1978            |
| 1959   | Professor Timothy Congdon *  | 1969            |
| 1967   | Mr Geoffrey Davies           | 1973            |
| 1957   | Mr Jonathan Davies           | 1965            |
| 1943   | Mr Peter Davies              | 1967            |
| 1963   | Mr John Eckersley *          | 1949            |
| 1948   | Mr Geoffrey Eve *            | 1943            |
| 1993   | Mr Jonathan Exten-Wright *   | 1984            |
| 1968   | Professor Stephen Ferruolo * | 1971            |
| 1964   | Mr Patrick Fox               | 1977            |
| 1984   | Mr Grahame Henry             | 1955            |
| 1992   | Mrs Julie Joe *              | 1980            |
| 1994   | Mr Allan Kaufman *           | 1983            |
| Friend | Dr Peter Kirby *             | 1971            |
| 1951   | Mr David Latimer             | 1957            |
| 1988   | Professor Seh Lim Ceng       | 1974            |
| 1966   | Mr Angus McLeod *            | 1982            |
| 1957   | Dr Robert Page *             | 1964            |
| 1974   | Mr John Rednall              | 1942            |
| 1978   | Dr John Richards *           | 1975            |
| 1947   | Mr Gavin Sanderson *         | 1976            |
| 1940   | Mr Robert Shaw *             | 1974            |
| 1985   | Mr Rupert Swyer *            | 1965            |
| 1962   | Mr Dennis Usher *            | 1951            |
| 1966   | Professor Carl Wellman       | Friend          |
|        | Mr John Wilshaw *            | 1956            |
|        | The late Dr Steven Wiltshire | 1984            |
|        |                              |                 |



# Together we Funded



In the 2011-12 academic year, St John's allocated over  $f_1$  million to student support, including  $f_{22}8,286$  for 93 undergraduates on the Oxford Opportunity Bursary Scheme. The College also provided 25 full graduate scholarships at a cost of  $f_{52}8,312$ , as well as spending  $f_{66,000}$  on schools liaison and outreach related activities. This was financed through a combination of donations, fees and College resources. Benefactors have provided scholarships, grants and made a key contribution towards the cost of financing the following:

- 93 Oxford Opportunity Bursaries
- 11 Hardship Bursaries
- 161 Special Grants
- 399 Vacation Residence Study Grants
- 25 fully-funded Graduate Scholarships
- 21 Junior Research Fellowships
- The Schools Liaison Programme and Student Ambassador Scheme
- 4 St John's Research Centre projects
- New gym equipment for the Kendrew Quadrangle
- Five-a-side nets and other sporting equipment
- Music lessons, recitals and plays

# Totals Raised 2007-12

General Endowment: £2,192,199 Alumni Fund: £1,756,206 Alan Root Bequest: £448,448

#### STUDENT SUPPORT

In addition to the Alumni Fund: 450 Fund: £902,022 Alastair Sutherland Award: £10,000 Burke Knapp Travel Fund: £22,718 DL Davies Fund: £15,000 Duveen Travel Scholarship: £17,000 Elizabeth Fallaize Fund (2009-2010): £902,694 Hans Michael Caspari UN Travel: £10,000 John Heath Music Bursary: £10,000 Lester B. Pearson Scholarship: £246,964 Slifkin BCL/MJur Scholarship: £593,579

### ACADEMIC SUPPORT

Yungtai Hsu Fund: £187,563

In addition to General Endowment: Ancient World Fund (2009 to present):  $\pounds 888,465$ Helsington Fund (2008 – Sharp Fellow in Economics):  $\pounds 2,000,000$ The Law Fund:  $\pounds 41,972$ Modern Languages Fund (Gifts and pledges 2009 to present):  $\pounds 1,201,488$ 

### **BUILDINGS & FACILITIES**

In addition to General Endowment: Chapel Organ Fund (2007): £236,931 Kendrew Quad Disabled Access Room: £60,000

# Philanthropy in Antiquity

The fusion of Graeco-Roman practices and Judaeo-Christian ideals, argues Dr Georgy Kantor, resonates today.



raeco-Roman society relied heavily on the contributions of its more affluent members for its functioning. In democratic Athens of the classical age, these contributions were in fact taxation in a different guise: while direct taxes were normally paid only in time of war, duties of paying for warships, theatre performances, religious festivals or gymnastic training of the youth (so-called 'liturgies') were distributed among the rich. Despite the obligatory nature of these tasks and a certain disapproval of elite self-advertisement (which was seen as undemocratic), there was some scope for making one's mark and the success of the city depended, in no small part, on people called on to perform outstanding liturgies. Competition was encouraged by awarding golden wreaths to those who performed best (a thought for the Inland Revenue).

Philanthropy proper, however, first becomes a key feature of Greek civic life in the Hellenistic period. It is during this period that the term itself comes into vogue. The reasons for it are debated: a shift in elite culture, the emergence of 'new men' who wanted to compete with the old aristocracy, the ability of individuals to negotiate on cities' behalf with the kings who established their power in the wake of Alexander's conquests, and economic changes all probably played a role. Cities reciprocated by lavishing honours on benefactors and commemorating their achievements in long and detailed honorific decrees. An effusive third-century BC decree of the city of Olbia on the north coast of the Black Sea in honour of a certain Protogenes provides us with some idea of the range of a private

benefactor's contributions. On various occasions. he paid for diplomatic gifts to the Scythian king Saitapharnes (a dangerous neighbour) and covered the costs of embassies, repaired city walls and defensive towers, paid off debts in a number of embarrassing situations (recovering, in one instance, sacred vessels pledged as security), brought down the price of bread during famines, and finally brought city finances into some order as a treasurer, refusing any fee for the job. Not everybody was as wide-ranging as Protogenes was, but other well-attested benefactions include paying for public buildings and their repair, for festivals and celebrations, providing meals or cash-handouts to members of the city council or for the whole citizen body, on top of anything the liturgy system could pay for.

The attitude of Roman society, for which competition in dignity between members of the elite was fundamental, was in many ways rather similar to Hellenistic Greek cities. For example, a young Julius Caesar provided, at huge expense, 320 pairs of gladiators, all in silver armour, thus furthering his career, and making an impression on his biographer almost two centuries later. There was, however, a much greater stress on looking for support for political office in return, and a much stronger sense of personal obligation towards one's benefactor, deeply rooted in the traditional link between patrons and clients, and often taking priority over giving to the state at large. It was, in fact, these political implications of philanthropy that brought the practice of large scale private benefaction to a rapid decline in Rome after the establishment of the Empire. The benefactors were afraid of outshining the

emperor, and the emperor was suspicious of anyone who was too generous. When in 19 BC Egnatius Rufus, who provided Rome with its first fire brigade, was executed for conspiracy against Augustus, the message was clear.

In Italian and provincial towns, however, the role of benefactors was only growing, and it is impossible to imagine civic finances of the imperial period without it. Surviving inscriptions on almost any municipal building archaeologists uncover show how much the urban fabric of a Roman city depended on the civic enthusiasm of the well-to-do (some of them living away from their hometown). The scale was often staggering: a famous benefactor from Lycia (a Roman province in the south-west of modern Turkey), Opramoas of Rhodiapolis, donated, according to just one inscription in his honour, at least 548,000 silver denarii to various cities. Other inscriptions record additional sums. By way of comparison, the annual return from customs dues collected at the provincial border was estimated at 100.000 denarii.

Benefactions in the Roman period, in the words of a distinguished French scholar, Philippe Gauthier, begin to 'approximate to a system of government'. Indeed, when civic enthusiasm could no longer catch up with the demands of urban expansion or economic conditions deteriorated, these contributions get institutionalised, and new members of city councils begin paying obligatory entrance contributions. This was, in the view of many scholars, the beginning of an end. In late antiquity, when the state tax burden grows,

# Dr Georgy Kantor



The Ancient History Fellowship at St John's is supported by the Ancient World Fund and the Oxford Teaching Fund. Dr Georgy Kantor is the first Clarendon Fellow in Ancient History. He is also a Benefactor.

come to teach ancient history at St John's by way of Moscow (where I was born, did my first degree, and first got my sense of how relevant ancient history is through reading Tacitus in the year when the Soviet Union was falling), Balliol (where I was a student) and New College (where I have been a Junior Research Fellow and then a British Academy post-doctoral Fellow for the past six years). So it has been a long journey, but I am very happy to arrive and to join the St John's Classics team.

My own research is mostly on Roman legal and institutional history in the late Republic and early Empire, and it is an honour to follow in the footsteps not only of Nicholas Purcell, but also of his predecessors, A.N. Sherwin-White, Hugh Last, and A.H.J. Greenidge, who made that subject their very own. The subject appears to be thriving as I arrive, we have admitted ten students this year for different honour schools which involve study of the ancient world, and I hope that (with your invaluable support) we shall keep it up in years to come.



A Better Perspective

Ross Craig (Modern Languages, 1962) explains why he has made provision for St John's in his Will.

Intend to make a bequest to the College. This is because of a deep sense of gratitude and obligation. I must add that it is 48 years since I came down, and almost 25 years since I last visited. But passing time has, if anything, increased my affection for the College, as I see my life's events in better and better perspective.

#### WRITING YOUR WILL

St John's owes its existence to the thoughtfulness and generosity of previous generations. In recent years, 82 alumni have pledged to leave a legacy to the College. Over the centuries, bequests to St John's have contributed to the College's ongoing success and, at the same time, allowed benefactors to leave a lasting legacy for those who study here in the future. Alumni often describe their time at College as life changing: finding joy in scholarship through studying with an inspiring tutor; making lifelong friends; overcoming difficulties and feeling better able to meet challenges in life after receiving a St John's education.

Please consult your solicitor. St John's UK Registered Charity Number is 1139733 and our Inland Revenue reference number is X6791. The full designation for the College is: *The President and Scholars of Saint John Baptist College in the University of Oxford.* 

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I went up in October 1962 from Auckland, New Zealand, and spent six terms studying French language and literature for Schools. I was very fortunate to get in, having been through no selection process, though I did have a New Zealand university degree. While I was in College, I felt part of a family. I received hospitality and other acts of kindness from the President, Dr Costin, my own tutor, Dr W. G. Moore and his wife, Joy, and some of the other Fellows and students and their families. I lived in Middleton Hall, and enjoyed the interaction within the College community.

My tutor, Will Grayburn Moore, was spoken of as the best modern language don of that time. I was privileged to spend quite a few hours with him in his room at the top of the North Quad. His admonishments taught me a lot and have enriched my inner life immensely. I have noted from down here in New Zealand the great success of some of the College's alumni in recent times. The best British writer, they say, since 1945; you know who, don't you? Two (yes, two) Prime Ministers. Even from my own time, an Editor of The Times, and a leading authority on Descartes (not a student of Will Moore's by the way!); and the others.

I am not surprised by this success. The College, when I was there, was serious about its mission, caring about its students, down-to-earth, and hard-working, not to mention the glories of its buildings and grounds. We students felt we were valued and the College inspired us to respond as well as we could.

civic finances still cannot do without private contributions, but these now have to be enforced.

We are familiar, in the modern world, with the important role of benefactors, whether we think of Victorian civic architecture or the budget of a 21st century university. In one key aspect, however, the pervasive ancient culture of civic benefaction was fundamentally different from the modern. Public generosity, whether by private individuals, the emperors or even the state as a whole, was not, as a general rule, explicitly addressed to the poor as opposed to the rich. In fact, it was much more often specifically addressed to the rich and even when not, measures were commonly taken to exclude the truly destitute. Members of city councils, who often received banquets at the expense of generous testators (we know of dozens of such charitable foundations across the whole Mediterranean world), were already well-off, having to satisfy property requirements which would probably place them within the richest 3 – 5% of the population. Even for those handouts that reached the poor, and were perhaps mainly of interest for them, such as the famous Roman corn dole (paid for by the state from 123 BC onwards), qualification was not lack of property, but citizen status. Famously, Piso Frugi, a former consul, one of the richest men in Rome, and one of the leading opponents of its establishment, queued among the first to receive his share. In the Egyptian city of Oxyrhynchus, which imitated the system, corn dole was provided only to the closed number of 3,000 holders of a more privileged category of citizenship, and when one of them died, a lottery for a recipient place was held. Characteristic charitable foundations of the Roman imperial period, so-called alimentary

funds (interest from cheap loans on land security to provide for orphaned children), created both by private individuals and by the emperors themselves were, in fact, benefitting limited numbers of children of freeborn citizens. In short, access to benefactions was about privilege and entitlement.

It is only with the advent of Christianity in late antiquity that general attitudes change. Language of help to 'the needy', 'the afflicted', 'the destitute' permeates early Christian literature, which followed in this respect an old Jewish tradition. From fairly sophisticated texts, such as the commentary of St Ambrose on the Gospel of Luke, speaking of the 'precept of charity' (in Luke 18:22), to popular collections of moralistic sayings, they were driving home the idea that 'love of the poor', as such (and not as your fellow freeborn citizens), is a desirable, indeed a necessary quality for religious and public leaders, and that prayers of the poor will be heard particularly favourably. Hopes for such prayers replace civic honours as the main reward of benefactors. Perhaps another reason why philanthropic support of civic finances dries out in that period. There were, to be sure, still status exceptions - practice of public Christian philanthropy still seems to have excluded the slaves, but the basic approach changes dramatically. To quote Peter Brown, the greatest living historian of the period, 'what is interesting about late antiquity is that we are looking at much the same poverty as had always been there. But we now look at it with the sharper eyes of Christians, for whom it was both a moral challenge and a spur to action'. It is in the world formed by the fusion of Judaeo-Christian and Graeco-Roman civic attitudes that we still live.

# 'For Oxford, for Scholarship, for the Common Good'

Dr Jonathan Snicker (Fellow for Development), Kiri-Ann Olney (Development Officer) and Caitlin Tebbit (Development Assistant) outline why St John's needs your philanthropic support.

s we embark upon a new academic year in which incoming students are paying the highest university fees in UK history, an increasingly vociferous public debate is taking place over the value and purpose of universities and a university education. Is the role of a university to explore and impart awareness, knowledge and learning? Should a modern university endeavour to educate, or train, the leaders of tomorrow? Should it find answers to the world's most pressing problems? The corollary is: can a university fulfil all public expectations of its role and purpose?

Lord Chris Patten, the Chancellor of the University of Oxford claims that, "Through the centuries, Oxford's great minds have changed and bettered the world through their discoveries, innovations and insights". Is this claim justified; even, does a university have to make such a claim to justify its existence? At Oxford, research and scholarship is often directed at addressing the issues and dilemmas of the human condition: How can we stop cancers from developing? Can we limit the spread of malaria? Academics approach the great questions of the day; often with courage and considerable commitment: Is world peace possible? Will we have enough food to feed our growing population? How can we harness the power of the sun or the sea and store it as electricity?

Awareness, knowledge, analysis and worldchanging answers are separate things of course; plus the power to declare which issues are worthy and major is itself contested. Socratic dialogue and the sound bite culture of the modern media clash over this particular anvil. At St John's our Fellows and graduates are conducting research into a hugely diverse range of subjects from Latin epic poetry, French film, the modernist novel and employment law to animal navigation, cancerous tumours, and human population genetics. Some of this research will provide answers, some will provide insight and analysis; but all are valued at our College.

We are also part of a teaching university. At the heart of an Oxford, and St John's, education is the tutorial system, which provides a unique opportunity for students to be taught by some of the world's leading academics in their respective fields. The knowledge and skills gained from this kind of intellectual endeavour, especially learning how to think critically, may enable the next generation to draw intelligent conclusions, expose cant and give them the power to advance themselves and our society and culture. It may help them, simply, to have a rich inner world or to lead civilised lives – the techniques of mindfulness were also developed at Oxford.

The tutorial system has helped to place Oxford among the best universities for teaching in the world, yet maintaining our excellence, both nationally and internationally, comes at a price. Over the last 30 years, it has become increasingly apparent, as the cost of educating students rises and Government funding decreases, that if universities wish to maintain high standards of teaching and research, they need to diversify their sources of income. At the same time we work very hard to make sure that we admit the best students, regardless of financial background, and



educate them to the very highest standards. Not surprisingly our academic expenditure exceeds our academic income, with much of the deficit being paid out of the endowment every year. As a registered charity, St John's College must meet its charitable aims and objectives to 'make, found, erect and establish a *perpetual* college of learning sciences, sacred theology and philosophy and good arts'. That entails protecting the endowment and ensuring our financial security for future generations at St John's.

No institution exists and prospers for more than 800 years unless it is skilled at adapting. Oxford, and St John's as a constituent part, has to build its future in a world characterised by unprecedented and rapid change. In May 2008, the University of Oxford launched the biggest fundraising campaign in Europe – The Oxford Thinking Campaign. Its aim was to raise, in collaboration with all colleges, departments, faculties, museums and libraries, a minimum of  $\pounds$ I.25 billion 'for Oxford, for scholarship, and for the common good'. This target has been exceeded; the Vice-Chancellor has now launched a new initiative to raise a total of  $\pounds$ 3 billion.

We have done our part thus far: over the last 5 years, 1,400 St John's alumni have shown their support for our aims and objectives by making a benefaction to the College. Over £11 million in gifts and pledges has been received: providing support for students and the tutorial system; Fellowships; research; extra-curricular activities and buildings and facilities. Thank you for Participating in Excellence. This has made a huge difference; long may it continue.

Join the debate on LinkedIn: St John's College Group

# The Sir Thomas White 1555 Challenge

early 750 alumni made a charitable gift to St John's this year; a participation rate of 10%. Exeter College is ahead in this particular race; 36.7% of its alumni – graduate and undergraduate – made a gift this year. University College is not far behind. Our goal, which we are calling the Sir Thomas White 1555 Challenge, is to reach an annual participation rate of 15.55% by Summer 2013. We believe St John's gives a lot in terms of teaching, grants and bursaries, advice and support; we hope that you think so too and that you share the College's aims.

Supporting the College through the Alumni Fund is not about the size of the gift, it is about participating in an opportunity to help shape a great future for the College, ensuring and sharing in its continued success. Regular gifts, such as £15.55 per month/quarter/ annually, really do add up, and in addition to what they can achieve financially, increased participation encourages others to give. Many small regular gifts are just as helpful to the College as large one-off donations – together they provide a sustained income that helps us plan for the future with confidence.

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There is no way I would have been able to pursue a D.Phil. in English Literature without the support of the Lamb and Flag Scholarship. As a student of St John's I have learnt and experienced more than I ever imagined I could." Jessica Fay (2010, English)

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# The Alumni Fund

Kiri-Ann Olney (Development Officer) and Caitlin Tebbit (Development Assistant) provide an update on this year's fundraising.

e are pleased to report that it has been another successful year for the St John's College Alumni Fund. This year 584 donors gave  $\pounds_{439,674}$  in gifts and pledges: bringing the running total for the Alumni Fund up to  $\pounds_{1,756,206}$ .

This summer, during our third annual telephone campaign, our team of 16 student callers did a great job: making contact with over 700 alumni; updating them on College news and asking for their support. By all accounts, alumni enjoyed the conversations: 45% of those we contacted made gifts and pledges amounting to £189,403. Thanks to the generous support of David Fischel (1976, Lit Hum), who was willing to match gifts, the current total now stands at £219,803.

As fees rise, many more alumni are becoming aware of the pressures on the current intake of Freshers. The College is very grateful for your support; we are very pleased to welcome 281 new

donors to the Benefactors' Network this year. We look forward to the chance to get together and thank our donors in person at the annual Benefactors' Receptions.

Over the last few years, the Alumni Fund has helped the College to support, for example, hardship bursaries, special grants, graduate scholarships, JRFs, Research Centre Projects, music lessons and sports equipment. (See *Together We Funded* on page 11).

Gifts to the Alumni Fund make a significant difference to the College as they create funding opportunities immediately without diminishing the endowment. The Alumni Fund has become a fantastic source of income for St John's to fulfil its aims and objectives. We would like to thank all the alumni, students, Fellows, friends and staff whose contributions provide our students with the support they need throughout their time at St John's.



Top row from left to right: Angelika Benz, Kiri-Ann Olney (Development Officer), Tom Doak, Alex Harvey, Sam Ward, Jack Clift, Adam Heardman, Lauren Au and Sam Quicke. Bottom row from left to right: Maddy Ward, Katie Slee, Sally Le Page, Doran Boyle, Hamaad Mustafa, Jennifer Appleton, Annabel Barratt and Jessica Cummings.

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# Annual Participation Rate



# How can I help?

 $\pounds 5$  per month for a year could fund a book grant.

£15.55 per month for a year could fund a student hardship award.

£20 per month for four years could fund an annual academic grant.

 $\pounds$ 40 could buy an additional copy of an essential text for the library.

£1,555 from 30 donors could fund the College contribution to the cost of a lectureship.

 $\pounds 2,055$  from two donors could help with the initial funding of a key research project.

# League Table 2007 - 12

| Some matriculation years have a higher   |
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| proportion of donors. Here we list the   |
| current leaders by matriculation decade. |

- **I** 955 Highest overall participation rate (54%).
- **1942** Joint highest participation (44%) **1944** of the 1940s.
- **1962** Highest participation (46%) of 60s.
- 1973Joint highest participation (30%)1974of the 1970s.
- **1983** Highest participation (25%) of 80s.
- **1990** Highest participation (15%) of 90s.
- 2001 Share the honours with 11%. 2002 2004

What makes the Oxford experience so unique is the tutorial system where you meet in small groups to discuss your work with experts in their field." Lajoy Tucker (2010, Chemistry)

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# STUDENT SUPPORT: JCR WELFARE

The St John's JCR Welfare system, like its counterpart for the MCR, is an extremely important part of the College's overall welfare provision. The JCR Welfare Officers outline what makes it so special.

he JCR is committed to the welfare of its members and provides a variety of services. The Male and Female Welfare Officers are members of the ICR committee and are tasked with dealing with many of the welfarerelated provisions. Other members of the JCR committee are also important members of the welfare team. In addition, a team of fully trained peer supporters are on hand to be a muchneeded listening ear. They are available to discuss whatever students wish to discuss, such as homesickness, bereavement, relationships and much more, and are a key part of the welfare support. The Welfare Officers are given a budget for the year which is drawn from the overall JCR budget and assigned by the JCR Treasurer. It is one of the largest budgets in the JCR, representing how seriously welfare is taken at St John's, and allows the Welfare Officers the chance to hold regular and popular events, undertake actions like giving every finalist a 'survival pack', and being able discreetly to provide supplies relating to sexual health. The Welfare Officers also work with the College to organise Freshers' Week, especially the social events and St John's Freshers' Fair.

Welfare events such as Tommy White Teas and Welfare Lunches are much-loved fixtures of the termly calendars, happening every fortnight. They, and other events, involve lots of free food (hence their popularity) and the chance to draw people out of their rooms and away from their work, if only for a little while. Importantly, Tommy White Teas and similar events bring people face to face with the peer supporters, making them well-known faces and approachable around the college. Of course, welfare events are about more than simply free food. In the past the welfare team has helped organise a mental health awareness session, and every year they run a series of 'college weddings' to set up the college family system. This assigns fresher 'children' to 'parents' who look out for them during their time at St John's, especially when they first arrive.

The JCR Welfare Officers also join their MCR counterparts on committees with Fellows and College staff and represent the views of the undergraduate population. This is often a very important process, providing a vital line of communication between college authorities and undergraduates. These meetings have allowed JCR Officers to raise their thoughts and recommendations with the Fellows and staff. It was through one such meeting that the College offered to pay for a doubling of peer supporter training slots.

Overall, the welfare of students is taken very seriously by the JCR (and MCR) and we are always trying to improve our provisions. Welfare is both about helping those in particular need and also ensuring people are generally happy. We want to work with the College so that students have the best experience possible during their education at St John's.



St John's...gave me the chance of a lifetime for a wonderful tertiary education and many great experiences. I am very grateful for that and decided to help some other aspiring students have similar experiences..." Brian Swale (1961, Forestry)

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# Circle of Philanthropy

St John's promotes Benefactors' charities. Rachel Stephenson (2005, French and Linguistics) is a trustee of Oxford Hub, a charity she set up with Adam O'Boyle (2005, History and Economics).

xford Hub was featured in the last issue of TW magazine, to mark the opening of our new premises in central Oxford. It is with enormous pride and excitement that we can look back on a year of running the only building in the UK dedicated to supporting student-powered social change. We celebrated our fifth birthday in May 2012; the Development Office at St John's was set up at around the same time. This issue of Benefactors' Report affords us both the opportunity to reflect on our progress.

We founded Oxford Hub whilst second year students at St John's, to build up a culture of 'giving back' amongst Oxford's students. We wanted it to be normal for students to be volunteering, campaigning or fundraising – just like doing sport, music or drama. Slowly but surely, we're getting there. We are now the largest student-facing charity in Oxford, with over 8,000

O xford Hub is looking for advice and support; we seek continually to improve our operations and services. Legal, communications and human resources advice in particular is very welcome so please do get in touch:manager@oxfordhub.org

You can also support us through donating or by visiting Turl Street Kitchen – www.turlstreetkitchen.co.uk. The food is delicious, the staff are friendly and the afternoon scones are guilt-free – all profits support Oxford Hub and our Student Hubs network: www. oxfordhub.org/giving



students signed up, and hundreds volunteering each week in the local community. We took the model to other universities, forming the 'Student Hubs' network across Oxford Brookes, Bristol, Cambridge, Warwick, Southampton and, more recently, Imperial College and SOAS in London. Each 'Hub' serves to support and inspire students, with the aim of unleashing potential and creating more and more positive impact.

We believe that university is a formative stage in life; habits formed whilst a student will persist into the future. So, whatever the student's career or future pathway, Oxford Hub works to encourage engagement in social and environmental issues which will endure. To do this, we run events and conferences to inform and inspire, then offer advice and opportunities to get involved practically. This is followed up with hands-on training and workshops so students can act effectively and sustainably.

When we began, we knew that one day we would need our own home. And that eventually we would need our own sustainable income stream. With these two motivators in mind, and after a lot of searching, we found and leased a tall old Georgian townhouse (formerly the Taj Mahal restaurant and latterly the QI Club) on the Turl, opening in late September 2011.

The main commercial operation, and the heart of our home, is Turl Street Kitchen. which serves seasonal and, where possible, locally-sourced food. Even the drinks we sell have a flavour of the charity's values: we choose independent brewers over giant suppliers, natural juices, and fairtrade tea and coffee. Every few months we host a special event to showcase our sustainability agenda, sourcing all the produce for a three course meal (with drinks!) within a 25 mile radius of our kitchen. It's a challenge, and one we relish. Upstairs is our real, live Hub which is always bustling with events and meetings led by students and local community groups alike. We've had Oxfam host a swap shop on International Women's Day and fundraising events run by the student group Friends of Helen and Douglas House. There have been film screenings as part of the Oxford Brookes Human Rights Film Festival, away days for local charities, and student comedy nights raising laughs, funds, and awareness for international development initiatives.

We've created a library of resources especially for students running social action projects. And the door is always open to the offices where our team help students on the ground find opportunities to make a difference, whether that's volunteering to increase literacy in local schools or campaigning against climate change. The list of ways in which Oxford Hub and our Turl Street home is changing the way students change the world is endless, growing, and never ceases to amaze. We can't wait to see what the next five years hold.

# St John's gets Student Vote

ccording to the Student Barometer survey results published by The Oxford Student in April 2012, St John's was rated just a percentage point behind Jesus College for Graduate Funding with 83% of Graduate Students saying they were happy with "the availability of financial support/bursaries provided by the College".

The President responded, "We've put a lot of effort into this area, with, for example, our Lamb and Flag scholarships which are funded from the profits of the pub. But we, like the rest of Oxford, are up against fierce North American competition in graduate funding, which we cannot yet match. We're making this an important target for our fundraising efforts and I have high hopes of securing new funding for graduates in the years ahead".



I attended a Gaudy and listened to a persuasive speech by the President. I was moved by a feeling that the College hadn't really changed – not in essentials anyway. I took a decision to start a direct debit. I want to make sure St John's continues to do the things that it has done really well throughout my lifetime...SJC alumni are lagging behind those of other colleges, and we need to persuade a higher percentage to support the College. I'm very conscious of my graduation oaths... when the College needs my help, I have a responsibility to act." Keith Jewitt (1978, Modern History)

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I get an Oxford Opportunity Bursary. This is provided for students from lower socioeconomic areas. I'm finding managing my finances really easy with the help that I have received." Current student

# $My \ Number \ One$

Dr D.L. Davies (1930, Medicine) had a distinguished career as a consultant psychiatrist. His three sons, Jonathan (1965, Jurisprudence), Peter (1967, Mathematics) and Geoffrey (1973, PPE), made a benefaction in his memory to support 'medicine and subjects related to medicine.' Anisha Ramessur is a recent recipient of the D.L. Davies Bursary.



or my first three years of pre-clinical medicine I studied at Downing College, Cambridge. In 2008, I transferred to St John's for three years of clinical medicine. My decision to transfer to Oxford was multifactorial, but I was particularly drawn to the high quality of teaching that the well-structured Oxford clinical course has to offer. It was the best decision I could have made: walking into St John's College for the first time already felt like home. The transition and the integration into the graduate community was smooth, particularly because of the support of my fellow medical peers at St John's and the various MCR events in Freshers' week.

In 2009, I was acknowledged by the Oxford Medical School Nuffield Department of Surgery for excellent performance in the written examination. I earned several Merits, including Laboratory Based Medicine, Obstetrics and Gynaecology and Psychiatry, and achieved a first quartile ranking in the Oxford Medical School. I undertook two four-week research projects during clinical school as part of my Special Study modules. The first project involved exploring the central mechanisms regulating appetite in early neonatal development (with Dr Paul Taylor at Guys and St Thomas's Hospital, Kings College London). The second project involved investigating the differences in peak flow and wall sheer stress in the aortas of patients with

Marfan's disease (with Dr Alex Pitcher, Cardiac MRI Department at the John Radcliffe Hospital). This revealed potentially important findings, which have been submitted in an abstract to the American Heart Association.

I passed my Final BM examinations for Medicine and Surgery with a distinction in February 2011. I undertook my elective in Vanuatu, an archipelago of islands in the South Pacific. This five-week placement gave me the chance to gain clinical experience in tropical medicine including TB, Malaria and fungal infections. Interestingly, metabolic disease including severe hypertension and diabetes were also relatively prevalent. I spent the remaining 5 weeks in Taranaki Hospital, New Zealand. Working in acute medicine helped me

T he Medical Tutors, with the support of the Governing Body of the College, decided to use the D.L. Davies Bursary to recognise a medical student by supporting their electives, or other projects that they plan to undertake. The award is announced at the end of the academic year and recipients are asked to provide a statement which is compiled as a short report during the subsequent academic year. to enhance my clinical skills further. I am grateful for additional financial support from St John's, which enabled me to undertake this thoroughly worthwhile experience. I also appreciate the generosity of the Davies brothers for their award which I have used to help further my medical education and postgraduate training through various teaching for doctors courses.

Apart from my academic work, I enjoyed participating in a wide range of extra-curricular activities. My role as Welfare and Women's Officer for the MCR enabled me to raise welfare and equality issues on behalf of graduates. As Torrance Society President, it was a privilege to represent my fellow medical peers at St John's College. It was also through the Torrance Society that I initiated the first St John's Medical Alumni event, held in September 2011. I intended for this day not only to be a reunion, but also to create a platform for current medical students to meet medical alumni and seek inspiration, teaching opportunities, elective and career advice.

Many people often ask which do I prefer, Oxford or Cambridge. I will always consider St John's to be my number one. I am incredibly grateful to be given the opportunity to complete my medical training here and humbled to be part of such a great institution.

# St John's Opens Doors



I grew up in Saxony Anhalt in central Germany. I started studying at St John's College in 2011, doing a MSc

in Psychological Research. I have been awarded a scholarship by the College to continue my studies and embark on a D.Phil. in Experimental Psychology. My thesis will examine the neural basis of visual information processing, using a variety of behavioural and neuroimaging methods. I hope to continue in academia and achieve a research position after finishing my D.Phil. St John's College has been great, not only because of its community, but also because of its academic tutors and helpful staff that are never slow to respond, and because of their generous financial support. I am fortunate to be able to live and to study here for another three years."

Theresa Wildegger (2011, Experimental Psychology)

### In this current economic climate. we could all do with a bit more cash in our pockets; fortunately there are grants available to all St John's students. One that makes a huge difference is the Academic Grant, where you can claim a couple of hundred pounds back for academic purchases you've made that year. When I started I needed a new laptop and managed to get half of the money back! There is the Vacation Residence grant; we get an allowance of 21 free days per year to stay at St John's during vacation. Also available to all St John's students is the travel grant. This is a great opportunity to broaden your horizons, and visit the places that you are passionate about that have some relevance to your education." Current student

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> Working in the USA was a profound learning experience: I was exposed to the admirable culture of philanthropy and the strong sense of loyalty that US alumni have to their alma mater. I support St. John's because I want to help ensure that the college can continue to provide the same opportunities that were made available to me." *Pratik Shah (1992, PPE)*



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Life at St John's is fun and chilled out. It is very diverse with a strong community spirit. Students come from all types of background and countries with a wide variety of experiences."
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# Frequently Asked Questions 2012

The 2012 Telephone Campaign Student Callers respond to the questions asked most often by alumni on the other end of the line.

#### Are you just calling about money?

We are, in part, phoning to talk to you about the Alumni Fund and its increasingly important role in maintaining the standards of excellence at St John's and across the University. But we're also phoning for a chat about your time at St John's and where your degree has led you since you graduated – these telephone calls are a great way for current students to talk to alumni with whom they have shared interests and experiences, academically or otherwise, and we really enjoy them. In addition, we hope to tell you a bit about what's going on at the moment and encourage you to visit us!

Jack Clift (2009, Spanish and Arabic)

Whilst there is a fundraising aspect to this call it is by no means the be-all and end-all. St John's is keen to preserve relationships with its students that extend beyond their time in Oxford. The College believes that in doing so it will facilitate interaction between past, current and future students who can share their experiences of life at St John's. The Alumni Fund is just one of the ways in which the College hopes to foster these relationships.

Sam Ward (2010, English)

### What is the Alumni Fund?

Since it was launched in 2009, the Alumni Fund has become a resource that is helping to maintain the standards of excellence at St John's that others have worked so hard to achieve. By encouraging our alumni to make a gift to the College, we hope to establish a source of funding that can be used to ensure the continued academic success of St John's, to maintain the broad base of subjects offered for study, and to extend the scope of the



student support system that offers bursaries, scholarships and grants. This ensures that St John's remains an institution where any student, regardless of background, can realise their potential. Jack Clift (2009, Spanish and Arabic)

# What does the money donated to the Alumni Fund go towards?

Donations support current students by funding things like book grants, travel grants and pastoral care, by preserving the tutorial system and maintaining the great facilities we have and also providing scholarships for students from more difficult financial backgrounds. *Doran Boyle (2010, Modern Languages)* 

### Can I choose where my money goes?

We encourage you to express a wish to support one of a number of areas such as student support, the tutorial system and fellowships, research or buildings and facilities. Alternatively, gifts can be directed to funding specific fellowships in Law and the Ancient World at St John's, ongoing projects that will help to replace fellows who have retired or left the College. If you can't decide, we're happy to put your donation towards the area where the need is greatest. Jack Clift (2009, Spanish and Arabic)

# Why should I consider giving money to St John's? Isn't it rich enough anyway?

St John's is very fortunate in that its endowment is among the largest across the University. We are, though, asset-rich but cash-poor – that is to say that while the endowment is rich in property, investments and savings, our expendable income is often limited by our need to preserve the endowment over the very long-term. The cuts to government funding for the University have had a knock-on effect on the endowment. With departments increasingly deprived of key funding, Colleges such as St John's are required to make up the shortfall with their own money – taken, more often than not, from the endowment. The significant rise in tuition fees will not be enough to plug this deficit, and St John's does not want an unsustainable drawdown on its endowment that will have serious effects on future generations of students. The money raised for the Alumni Fund helps to address this challenge, providing an income source other than the endowment.

Jack Clift (2009, Spanish and Arabic)

Apart from the fact that our endowment is relatively small compared to, for example, Trinity College, Cambridge and other international universities, it presents St John's with a greater responsibility towards its students, as we offer a wider range of subjects than other colleges and significant student support, so there is a duty to protect what we offer. *Maddy Ward (2010, Theology)* 

Yes, it is true that St John's is in the fortunate possession of a substantial endowment, however, the College is not simply acquiring wealth for wealth's sake. St John's commits much of the revenue from its endowment to maintaining its record of academic excellence. The endowment enables the College to offer a comprehensive range of subjects for study and a generous series of grants and scholarships. However, in the rapidly changing world of higher education, St John's needs to be able to rely upon more flexible funds in order to withstand developing financial requirements, including increases in tuition-fees and decreases in funding. In this way, the Alumni Fund provides an invaluable resource, ensuring that St John's can continue to provide an excellent education and experience for current and future students.

Sam Ward (2010, English)

# I CAN ONLY AFFORD A SMALL GIFT. THAT WON'T REALLY MAKE A DIFFERENCE, WILL IT?

A gift of any size, large or small, can make a huge difference, and we're not just looking for donors who can contribute thousands of pounds – a regular annual gift of even  $\pounds_{15.55}$  is a valuable asset for the College, particularly as it helps to raise the participation rate of our alumni which can, in turn, be a great incentive for other potential donors to get involved. *Jack Clift (2009, Spanish and Arabic)*