Dear Hertford Community,

There have been so many special times and pieces of news to report on in the past few weeks, so let’s jump straight in.

News from outside Hertford

There have been a number of interesting stories coming from the world of Oxford and beyond. Firstly, we heard about the passing of our fellow alumnus Tom, who was a long time supporter of Hertford. He was a member of our college’s Tau Rowing Boat in 1987, and later became a member of the Oxford University Boat Club. Tom was also a keen supporter of Hertford, and we will miss him greatly.

Another piece of news that caught our attention was the announcement of the new Nobel Peace Prize Challenge. This year’s challenge is focused on the theme of ‘peace and conflict’. We are excited to see what ideas the students come up with.

Finally, there was news of a discovery in the field of archaeology. A team of Hertford alumni, including Ashira Biswas, have discovered a new piece of evidence for the mystery of the Kish and Nimrud sites. This is a significant find, and one that we are proud to have been a part of.

Hertford news

We have been busy with a number of events and activities here at Hertford. The most recent was the Hertford Festival, which took place over the weekend. The festival featured a number of speakers, academic talks and family activities, and plenty of opportunities to sample our wonderful Hertford catering. Please mark your diaries and watch this space for more details.

Later in the year, we hope that many of you will return to Oxford for our Hertford History month. We’re welcoming 2012/13 alumni back on 1 April (no comment) for a discussion of the peace process 25 years on, and for a screening of the Discovery documentary on archaeology in Kish and Nimrud, drawing on pioneering work from Steve New, we have been trying to find the advantages for learning will have implications for assessment (less coursework?) and admissions.

One interesting emerging discussion across the university is on AI and education, with sessions to come on peace with the planet, with processes of the future, with sessions to come on peace with the planet, with processes of the future, with sessions to come on peace with the planet, with processes of the future, with sessions to come on peace with the planet, with processes of the future.

I am also pleased to announce that the Education Committee have been working hard on a number of projects. We are currently working on a new graduate centre, and we are also launching new graduate scholarships for international students. We are also revisiting our access and outreach work to see how we stay positive a Hertford person has done. Happily the Education Committee have been too polite to mention my phone inadvertently broadcasting Test Match Special.

The new Vice-Chancellor, Irene Tracy, is up and running (literally: I often bump into her doing laps of the Parks) and bringing great gusto to the role. It is encouraging to see her doing laps of the Parks) and bringing great gusto to the role. It is encouraging to see her doing laps of the Parks) and bringing great gusto to the role. It is encouraging to see her doing laps of the Parks) and bringing great gusto to the role.

Welcome to the new JCR Committee, led by Tanya Ranadive as JCR President and Amrit Ark as Treasurer. They and the student body will be a crucial part of our future. Watch this space for exciting progress on the overhaul of our sports pitches and library, and reviewing our access and outreach work to see how we stay positive a Hertford person has done. Happily the Education Committee have been too polite to mention my phone inadvertently broadcasting Test Match Special.

I hope you have all had a chance to enjoy the Spring weather, and that you are looking forward to the upcoming events and activities.

Best wishes,

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