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A Message from the Master

I have only been Master now for 6 weeks, so this is very much an initial message. However, they say that first impressions count for a lot, so let me start with mine...

The most important of these is the warmth and friendliness of the Fellowship – towards me and my wife, Anna, towards each other and towards the students. There is much talk of the Eddies Family around the world, which begins with one's first hall and runs through the family lunches and the children's Christmas party and – so I have yet to experience – the Christmas dinners and pantomime, and out into the alumni groups. This warmth and approachability is very different from some of the other colleges that I am acquainted with, and is something to treasure.

Secondly, there is a good feeling of shared enterprise. The College is relatively young and has grown rapidly in the last forty years, particularly since the turn of this century. That experience brings with it a feeling of optimism, "can do" and energy which is infectious and enjoyable. It also means that Fellows and students are prepared to "muck in", share dining tables and conversation, and work with what we have – the Eddies Way – rather than be preoccupied with status or what others have. People are proud of what they have created and feel they can do more.

So my first two impressions are of the warmth and energy of the College. To these I should add a third, in tribute to the work of my predecessor, Professor Paul Luzio – that the College's finances and administration are in good order and provide a solid platform for our next stage of development. And there is much to do.

First, there is finalising and building the new student accommodation of a further 150 rooms on the adjacent site of Mount Pleasant House.

The transaction itself has some complexities, but the prospect of securing such a modern facility right on our doorstep is a "once in a lifetime opportunity" and this keeps the Bursar and his support group of fellows going as they slave through the design, legal and financial discussions needed to reach agreement with the developer and funders. It will be worth it when the building is finished for the start of 2017/18.

This further expansion of student numbers to around 650 will in turn force the pace on the development of our common areas in the College – the Hall, the Common Rooms and teaching/seminar rooms. That in turn means raising funding through an active programme of approaching individual donors and trusts. Thanks to the initial success of the Master's Development Fund, we will now be able to prepare the detailed plans and marketing propositions with which to present the St Edmund's "story". There are also important events to prepare for. In particular the College Chapel, with its position as the only Catholic chaplaincy of any college in Oxford or Cambridge, will be celebrating its centenary in 2016 and we intend to mark that record and the College's unique religious heritage in style.

The third task that we are starting to address is what I loosely call "discussing what the College wants to be when it grows up". Because we have been concentrating on growing from small beginnings, we sometimes think of ourselves as a small, new college on the edge of the University. But with the completion of the Mount Pleasant expansion and our Chapel centenary, we will in fact be a maturing, medium-sized college with little room for expansion on a site



which, with the North West expansion of Cambridge, will increasingly be at the centre of the University. We need to think through how this might change us. The focus will be on reviewing the quality of our student provision, including what bursaries and scholarships we can provide for PhDs and post doctoral researchers, the facilities we can offer to our Fellows to support their teaching and pastoral duties, and to ensuring that the academic results we achieve are well supported in all subjects and across all degrees. From our position close to some of the most dynamic faculties, we also want to ensure that we have an active role to play as part of Collegiate Cambridge in the new subject areas that the University so excitingly generates on a regular basis.

As I said, lots to do, and a warm and lively Fellowship to do it with. My last, first impression is that it will be fun!

Let me close by wishing you all a very Happy Christmas and a Great New Year!

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Matt Bullock". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly informal style.

Matthew Bullock
Master

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Thank you to all who contributed articles, photos and assistance.

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News from the Development Office

Welcome to the 13th issue of *The Edition*

It has been a busy year for Development at St Edmund's. The Master's Development Fund was launched in September 2013 to mark the retirement of Professor Paul Luzio as Master and we were delighted to exceed Paul's interim fundraising target before he stepped down as Master at the end of September 2014. On page 8 you can read about the College's plans and how we are using the funds that we have raised. You can continue to support the Master's Development Fund to enhance student facilities by donating online through the College's new, improved website, or using the donation form on page 29. Such is the power of collective support, that all donations, regardless of size, make a difference to the College. Alumni contributions are of enormous benefit because they help to attract donations from outside the College, so please consider making a donation to the Fund as an investment in the future of the College.

It was wonderful to welcome a record number of alumni to the Alumni Festival Concert and Dinner at the end of September. The new Master, Matthew Bullock, very much enjoyed meeting our alumni at the Alumni Society Annual Dinner in London in November.

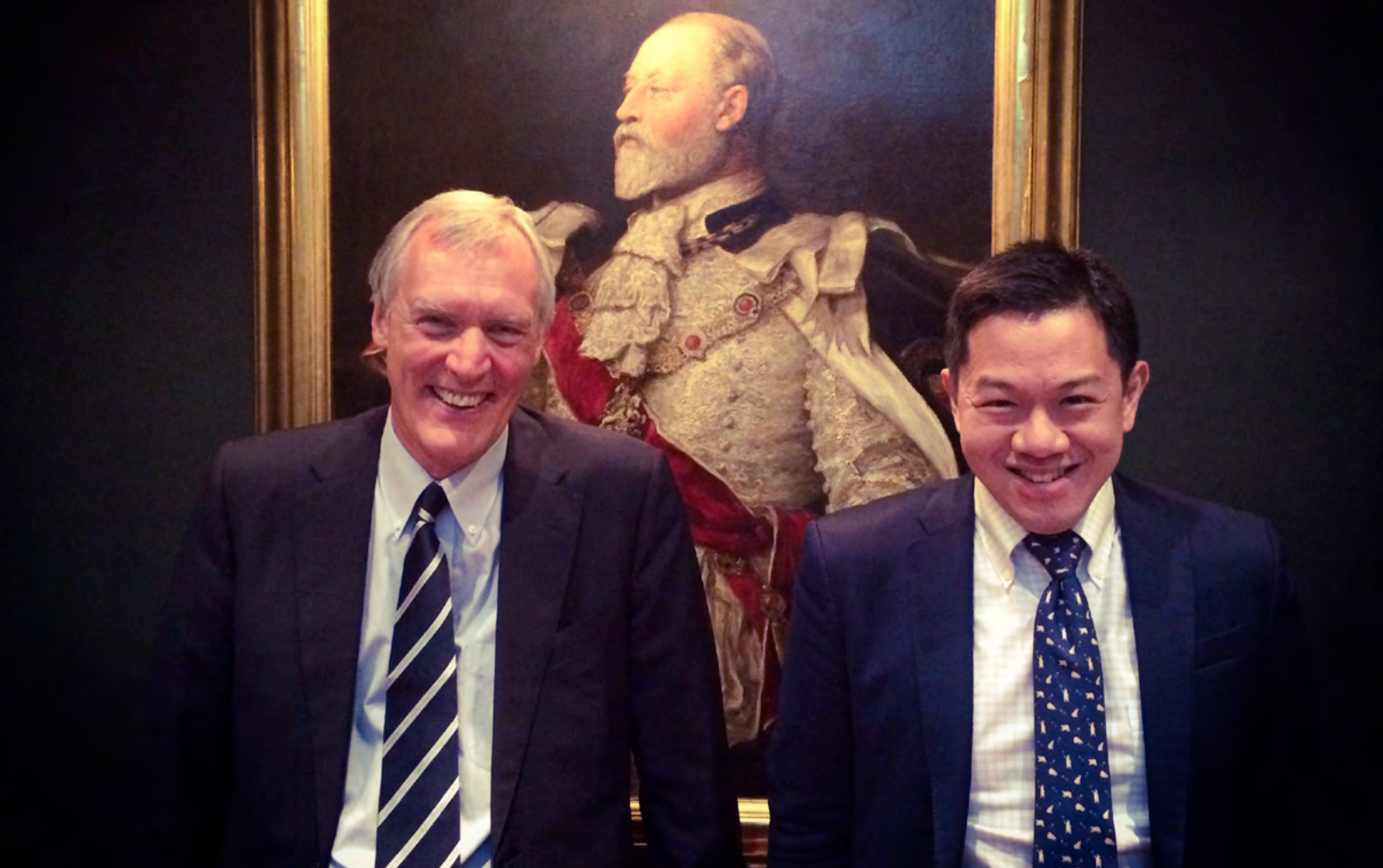
We hope that you enjoy this issue of *The Edition*. As well as news from students, alumni and Fellows, you can read an interview with Matthew Bullock on page 4 and read his inaugural speech. Also in this issue, you can read about Paul Luzio's retirement and enjoy the story behind his College portrait. Please do email development@st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk with any feedback or news items for a future publication.

Finally, in news from the Development Office Team, Katharine Cantell has returned from maternity leave and Jo Raines has left St Edmund's to work for the Institute of Education in London. Amy Reeve has been promoted to a new role of Alumni Relations Officer.

On behalf of all at St Edmunds, we wish you all the best for the festive season and for a happy and healthy 2015.

Bullock Raines Amy





Biting the Bullock

An interview with the new Master of St Edmund's College

***The Edition* and James Chau, alumnus of St Edmund's, recently met with the new Master, Matthew Bullock, to ask about his career, election as Master and what the future holds for Ed's...**

If you speak the name "Bullock", two public personalities come to mind: the first, Anna Mae Bullock, the recording artist better known as Tina Turner; and Alan Bullock, the academic and historian who was fond of saying "Bullock by name, bullock by nature". Lord Bullock's flash of humour comes across also in his son, Matthew Bullock, who arrived in October as the Master of St. Edmund's College.

Bullock assumes a college that has grown leaps and bounds since first appearing in 1896 as an institution for Roman Catholic students. Now, of course, it is one of the University's 31 constituent colleges with a rowing club that outpaces its relatively short history and, increasingly, with the overall facilities to match.

When I graduated 15 years ago, there was little more than the original building, the Okinaga Tower and the Millenium Garden. But, the promise of something far more was already planted and brought to life by the two most recent former masters, Sir Brian Heap and Professor Paul Luzio. I can't help but think of the tribute this pays to Dr Richard Laws, who died on the third day of this academic year. But this isn't about looking back. Far from it. And, if anything, Bullock represents a rush of excitement at the possibilities just ahead. Unlike the men who came before him, his professional background is rooted not in academia, but as a former banker.

Much of his career has been charted at Barclays, which he joined in 1974

and rose to become a member of the Group Senior Executive and was also Group Chief Executive at the Norwich and Peterborough Building Society. He is, though, more than familiar with the doors through which he is entering. His teenage years were spent in the Master's Lodgings at St Catherine's, Oxford, where his father created a legacy of leadership—while at Cambridge, his story includes his years as a student, setting up various businesses in the area, as well as living with his family in a nearby village.

We met in August in London. The heat was entering an Indian summer and, bounding up to the entrance, I pushed through the wooden doors to find him waiting just inside. When the Master's office emailed earlier that day to say

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he would be welcoming me, I hadn't presumed he would literally do so. The other surprise was just how tall he is (six feet two inches, I'm told). But, far from an all-dominant presence, his height and the periscope stance that comes with it, suits him well to overseeing and understanding the needs of the College.

"All my career I've spent on the edge of academia. My father said I was too active to be an historian, and so I had my own career. But I always liked the academic world." Referencing his recent role at the Cambridge University Hospitals NHS Foundation, where he led a committee that steered its audit and business development, he said much of his original work arose because he was "completely unbothered with talking to academics about things that they were doing." More so, many of his colleagues admitted to being frightened of academics. Was he, too? "No."

I don't think he is frightened of an awful lot. I think he sees challenges as opportunities, which in the case of St Edmund's will include the expansion of its development program. Bullock breaks into a wide smile as he thinks about the job to come. "It's going very sweetly. They've had some issues in the past, which Paul Luzio has done a great job in getting back in balance. So, the opportunities for actually doing development work are very good." Speaking perhaps less like an academic and more like a banker, he proffered the opinion that "you can only do development work if you're got your current ship in trim." The captain of that "ship" may be him, but he is quick to make the

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point that the 505 students enrolled this term at St Edmund's are as much the stakeholders as he. Does he feel he is something of a fresher? He looked towards the college tie he was wearing for the first time: "I'm one of these students coming in!"

After interviewing Bullock in London, I was heading to Jakarta to meet Indonesian President Joko Widodo. The comparisons were not immediately obvious, but I couldn't help thinking that here are two men who are breaking the traditional mould. As Joko is lauded for being not from the political nor military elite, here too was Bullock with his non-academic background. Yet, both are widely seen as offering unique and critical skill sets. "Because I've been involved in Cambridge for the last 40 years, it is partly a comment on the way the relationship between the University and companies in the Cambridge area has changed enormously." Bullock, though, may be a part of an emerging breed. Sir Gregory Winter, his counterpart at

Trinity, is a biochemist who founded a number of businesses including Cambridge Antibody Technology, one of the earliest such companies involved in the field of antibody engineering.

Whether this necessarily signals a wider shift throughout the University remains to be seen, though Bullock is also keen to make the distinction between what he did before in his professional life and what he brings now to St Edmund's. "I would say that running a college is not like running a company. Companies are a lot more directed and "the boss says this". But that's not the nature of a college. You've got to get the consensus of everybody." I wonder then if his role will be more akin to that of a benevolent CEO? "Well, beneficent, I hope. It matters what you do, but it matters how you do it. This isn't something you can direct. You need a buy-in from the Fellows."

As we wrapped up our conversation, I asked him for five words to describe himself: "Enthusiastic, friendly, thoughtful, consensual and energetic". As for what he does in his own time, his humor flashed back. "The garden, walk, opera and run". "Run?" "Well, I'm told that one of the risks of this job is overeating." Bullock by name, bullock by nature.

James Chau is a broadcaster, writer, activist and UN Goodwill Ambassador. He was a main anchor on CCTV News, guest presenter on BBC World and is now writing his first book. He graduated from St Edmund's College in 2000 with an MPhil in Education and lives in Beijing.

The Master's Inauguration Speech

Mr Matthew Bullock was inaugurated as 14th Master of St Edmund's College at a ceremony in the College Chapel on Friday 3 October 2014. In his inauguration speech, the Master paid tribute to Paul Luzio for the good state in which he had left things and described the tasks that he believes lie ahead of him in the role. *The Edition* is pleased to detail the speech in full for those who missed the ceremony...



I am honoured and humbled by the trust that the Fellows have shown in choosing me: I shall do all I can to warrant it. The more so because you have made a surprising and unusual choice, selecting someone with a business background versus academic, scientific, civil service or diplomatic credentials; unthinkable 40 years ago when I first came to Cambridge.

My academic brother suggested, "You'd better find out why they chose you!" I have been asking this question during my induction discussions.

I was not chosen because the College is in need of some sort of managerial turnaround or governance overhaul: despite outside commentators' views, University audit and governing body experiences suggest that, with a few exceptions, University departments and Colleges are effectively managed and directed. This one certainly is: Paul Luzio has left me a pretty tidy billet; the college has clearly "had its moments" in the ten years of his tenure, but he, assisted by Richard, have put the finances on a sounder footing. The administration seems to work effectively, and exciting plans have been developed for the immediate future.

May I take this opportunity to pay tribute to Paul for the good state he has left things in, and for the gracious way in which you have passed them over to me?

So, if not that, then what have my

enquiries elicited? Four broad tasks seem to lie ahead.

1) Execution of the plans, particularly the next stage of building our student accommodation: an important piece of work; how we do it is often as important as what we do; it reminds me of a story of a physicist seeing the fire in the upstairs of the building that he was passing did some problem-solving and called an engineer to put the fire out; years of boring commercial repetition have prepared me for execution as much as planning.

2) Raising new capital, particularly in the form of donations: pressure on shared spaces in the college will only grow as we expand the student accommodation, particularly the hall and combination rooms; shared spaces are less income-generating and so require donations rather than more debt; but the College is also getting to a scale where financial reserves are necessary.

Pulling together a fundraising story, developing relationships, organising the approaches, making the pitches and negotiating the close, is the second big area of work; one that, reading the College's history, I will share with all my predecessors.

3) The third task is less clearly defined, but seems to be something like helping to define quotation "what we want to be when we grow up"; or "life beyond growth."

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Anyone looking at the College's recent history has to be struck by the very rapid growth in student numbers: in 1970 we had 40 students, in 1980 we had 90, by 1996 we had 96, in 2000, 250, in 2010 we had 491 and in 2014 we have 505; at our current size we are now a smaller, medium-sized College; at potentially 650 students that may flow from our current accommodation building plans, we will be a solid middle ranking one (bigger than Christ's or Emma) with our site getting close to capacity.

We may therefore be coming to the stage where we have to develop a different view about what we will strive for beyond growth; colleges are not like businesses, with a single overriding goal; their narratives are developed at many levels, and growth will not stop, though it may no longer be so rapid; but going from Big Bang to Satisfying Steady State – drawing together our heritage, our youth and our prospects into something more exciting than Middle Age Spread – is the least defined, but the most interesting of the tasks that I have so far discerned.

Let me add that the comment was made that your decision to entrust this task to an outsider was born of your own confidence, not doubts: that the College is proud and excited about what it has achieved, and therefore wants to look outwards and to explore new angles and approaches; this is a great platform on which to build, and the challenge is to take it further and enrich it; it is certainly in that spirit



Pictured: Matthew Bullock celebrating his inauguration as Master with his family, outside the College Chapel

that I will approach it.

4) Last, but also foremost, I will share the task of all the Fellows in ensuring that our students find their time at St Edmund's enriching, enjoyable and stretching. We have a deservedly high reputation for creating great bonds of friendship amongst a very diverse range of students that endure beyond their college years. I hope we can also stretch their achievements to match that reputation academically.

I will be welcoming this year's new cohort next week at the first of our inauguration and matriculation

ceremonies and I look forward to watching them grow, stretch and progress to graduation and then become enduring friends and alumni of the College.

So, that is how I read the brief thus far; clearly, if there are other tasks, I do not doubt that the forthcoming College Council meeting will expand them; but this seems enough to be getting along with for now.

Again I thank you for entrusting me with this work; I shall do my utmost to fulfil your expectations.

News from the Development Office

The Master's Development Fund

Thanks to the generosity of our alumni, Fellows and friends, the College has received a record number of donations in the past year. Paul Luzio was delighted and touched to be able to report that donations and pledges to the Master's Development Fund totalled almost £160,000 by the time he stepped down as Master at the end of September.

The College's new Master, Matthew Bullock, has continued this hard work and we have now raised over £160,000 for the Master's Development Fund. The College is now starting to execute the first stage of our Strategic Plan, working with planning consultants and architects to prepare detailed plans and submissions for planning permission on the new North Court buildings. The enhancement of student facilities will be the first priority for the Fund, as increased provision of dining and CR space for students will become an even more urgent requirement if the student accommodation on the Mount Pleasant House site goes ahead.



The College's first Telephone Campaign

We conducted our first ever telephone campaign in March 2014, calling alumni in the UK.

It was a real pleasure for the student callers to speak with so many of you and they greatly enjoyed hearing about your experiences at the College and updating you on



what the College is like now. Many people were pleased to hear that the tea trolley still operates!

We are very grateful for your generosity, and are pleased to say that we raised almost £42,200 in donations and pledges.

The College will be holding its second telephone campaign in March 2015, calling those UK alumni with whom we made no contact last year and some of our US alumni also.



Pictured: Student callers Adulis Beyenne (above) and Eva Maguire (below left)

Telephone Campaign Case Study

When alumnus Jonathan Mitchell (MPhil in the Economics and Politics of Development, 1986) received a call from student caller Megan Eldred (Research in Biological Science, 2013) during the College Telephone Campaign, he generously agreed to donate £50 per month towards overseas student support.

Jonathan said, 'I was not intending to contribute anything when the College called, but Megan convinced me - in a very subtle way - that making a small regular contribution to the College could really help people who needed support to enjoy the same benefits at St Edmund's that I had, and that my modest contribution would encourage additional crowdfunding from other sources. Brilliant!'

Jonathan's gift, together with a legacy, supports the College's Duke of Edinburgh Scholarships for Overseas (non EU) students. The donations are then matched by the Cambridge Commonwealth European and International Trust and so are worth twice as much to the College.

News from the Development Office

The Annual Student Support Fund

Generous donations are enabling the College in 2014-15 to spend more than twice as much on student support as the College was able to spend just two years ago. Much of this increase is due to the introduction of new Scholarships, Studentships and Bursaries. In some cases it is possible for the College to seek matched funding from Trusts in order to make an even greater difference collectively doubling the value of the donation.

How can you help?

The College seeks donations from alumni and friends to help students to gain the maximum benefit from their time at Cambridge. Supporting one of the opportunities featured opposite would greatly enhance the student experience in the College.

Additionally, UK taxpayers can increase the value of their donation by a further 25% through the Gift Aid Scheme at no extra cost to the donor.

Message from Judith Bunbury, Senior Tutor

"This year the Student Support Fund has helped students experiencing unexpected hardship and also enhanced the studies and research of many of our students. We have offered a greater range of courses, including 'brain training', which I audited and found hard work as well as enjoyable! Courses on planning and structuring academic texts, in particular a thesis or dissertation, remain popular.

I have been delighted this year to support students who wished to collect additional data, visit archives and make academic visits, as well as give 'seed' grants to those

who are convening conferences and workshops. Ours is an increasingly competitive academic world and, with your support, our students can extend their studies, develop skills in research and form academic networks, giving them the best possible start as they launch their careers."



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Funding opportunity	Amount
Bursary – a gift of £200 would provide a study opportunity for a St Edmund's student to make an academic visit	£200
Travel award – a gift of £500 would allow a St Edmund's student to travel in pursuit of their studies in the EU/UK or support them to make a study visit further afield	£500
Travel award – a gift of £1000 would allow a St Edmund's student to make a study visit to a library or lab in the EU/UK or support them to travel overseas for a study visit	£1,000
£8,000 would pay for an Undergraduate Student Maintenance Award for one year	£8,000
A gift of £10,000 would pay for a one year student Scholarship	£10,000
A donation of £25,000 would support an Undergraduate Student Maintenance Award for three years	£25,000
A gift of £27,000 would pay for an undergraduate student's fees for the duration of their course. This studentship could be named in honour of the donor or suggested name, which would provide recognition of the individual's support for the College	£27,000
An award of £30,000 would support a UK or EU PhD student for three years of study	£30,000
A gift of £350,000 would establish a named and endowed fund to support students during their degree	£350,000

News from the Development Office

New College Prizes

Thanks to the generosity of alumnus James Chau (Education, 1999) and his family, the College can now offer the John CB Chau Prize in Engineering for the highest mark in Engineering for either undergraduates or graduates.

The prize was established in memory of James' father.

Additionally, we are pleased to announce that the MB Grabowski Foundation has generously donated the MB Grabowski Awards, which are two awards of £1000 for graduate students studying in a field relating to the Polish Diaspora.

A New Scholarship for St Edmund's College

A Fellow of St Edmund's College, Dr Matthew Cole, recently gave a generous donation to create a new College scholarship. The Cole Scholarship financially supports



Pictured: Jiangxia power plant

a current undergraduate engineering student to pursue academic research outside of university term time. The recipient is encouraged to visit another

university for up to two months and the scholarship is aimed at those undergraduates who are interested in pursuing a future career in academic research.

The first Cole Scholarship was awarded in the summer of 2014 to Mr Mozhi Yin (2012, Engineering). Mozhi was delighted to be chosen as the first recipient.

'The Cole Scholarship funded my research on tidal power generation in Tsinghua University this summer; where I received rigorous training in fluid mechanics, machine design and equipment optimization. I worked in a team that successfully increased the generation efficiency of a tidal power plant by 10%, through fluid simulations and turbine redesign.

What I have learned during the research is immediately applicable to my studies. The engineering experimental methods and design techniques that I learned during the summer have already translated into skills that I could apply

in the Cambridge curriculum. I have always been interested in working in the field of energy, and by working with a team of distinguished scientists and engineers at Tsinghua University and by successfully completing the project, I am even more motivated to change the world by exploring the future of energy generation.'

Dr Cole became a Fellow of St Edmund's in 2011 and is the College's Director of Studies in Engineering, a Tutor, and Deputy College Admissions Tutor.

He is a Research Fellow in the Department of Engineering in the Electronic Devices and Materials group. His current research focuses on the use of graphene and carbon nanotubes in field emission X-ray sources. It was Dr Cole's research experience at Harvard University that inspired him to fund the Scholarship.

Jane Luzio's help in the Development Office



We are delighted that Jane Luzio has been volunteering in the Development Office for almost two years now. Jane's work is invaluable in helping us to re-establish contact with those alumni with whom we have lost touch.

Having had such a close connection with the College for so many years, she recalls an impressive amount about our former students, and is regarded fondly by so many. So, do not be surprised if you receive an email from Jane asking if you could update your contact details!

News from the Von Hügel Institute

The academic year 2013-4 has been marked by collaboration between the VHI and other institutions and centres. The entire Lecture Series “Ethical Standards in Public Life”, is co-sponsored with St Mary’s (Roman Catholic) University Twickenham. Individual lectures in the series are also co-sponsored by the European Centre and the Centre for International Studies both at the Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge.

This exciting collaboration has attracted lots of interest and St Mary’s Vice-Chancellor, Francis Campbell, declared, “We are delighted to work with the VHI on this lecture series. As an Honorary Fellow of St Edmund’s I am pleased that we have developed such a platform between St Edmund’s and St Mary’s”. The lecture series invites those at the very top of our public life to give an account of the ethical basis of their activities. The opening seminar with Dr Rowan Williams Master of Magdalene College, former Archbishop, Lord Bew, Chair of the Committee on Standards in Public Life, and the journalist Paul Vallely, attracted well over one hundred people.

The Annual VHI Lecture *The place of religion in the European public square* in November by Prof Joseph Weiler, President of the European University Institute (EUI) also attracted a large crowd. Professor Andrew Gamble FBA, former head of POLIS, spoke brilliantly on *The Crisis of the UK Political Class*. In the rest of the series Baroness Shirley Williams will speak on *Are Political Parties fit for Purpose?*, Claire Foster-Gilbert, (Director of Westminster Abbey Institute) on *The Challenges of Bio-ethics in UK Decision-making*, Francis Campbell on *Has Globalization changed the Nature of Diplomacy?*, Dr Martin Westlake, former Secretary-General of the European Economic and Social Committee on *Reforming the European Union: the Ethical Dimension*. The series will conclude with a seminar given by Field Marshall Lord Guthrie and Professor Nigel Biggar, Regius Professor of Divinity, Oxford on *Is Just War Theory still relevant in the 21st Century?*.

Our research activities include Dr Sara Silvestri’s work on immigration with a grant from the Cambridge Migration Network



Pictured: Prof John Loughlin, Paul Vallely, Lord Bew and Dr Rowan Williams at the VHI Inaugural Seminar

for a pilot project on migration and religion. We are continuing our work on *Intellectual Property and CST*, (Research Associate Dr Roman Cholij), and on *Political Theology of Reconciliation* (Prof Loughlin and Prof Ralf Wuestenberg, University of Flensburg and the Flensburg European Centre of Minority Issues). Both of the projects include conferences to be held in September 2015.

Other occasional events, include a public talk on the concept of usury by Dr Mark Hayes, holder of the St Hilda Chair in CST at Durham University and a talk by Dr Echeverria on the Habermas and Ratzinger Debate, organized with the Kirby Laing Institute of Christian Education. In October, we co-organised the Jagiellonian University and the Cambridge Polish Research Centre a panel discussion on Eastern European politics.

The Institute welcomed visiting fellows and new research associates: Prof Bernard Laurent (EMLYON Business School in Lyon) working on Catholic Social teaching and the market economy, Prof Christian Goebel (Assumption College, Worcester, MA) who works on military ethics, and Prof Jonathan Warner (Quest University Canada), on the relationship between Christianity and Amartya Sen’s Capability Approach. Our Patrons now include Dr Rowan Williams, Cardinal Murphy-O’Connor, Bishop Alan Hopes and the Countess of St Andrews. Our Advisory Board has been greatly strengthened with distinguished academics and public figures.

Finally, our fund-raising campaign continues. If you wish to find out more about how you may contribute to this, please contact the Director Prof John Loughlin or consult our website at www.vhi.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk.



Pictured: Prof Joseph Weiler

Retirement of Professor Paul Luzio

Professor Paul Luzio retired as Master of St Edmund's College on 30 September 2014. He became Master in 2004 and is now an Honorary Fellow of the College.

The College celebrated Professor Paul Luzio's time as Master in September. Fellows of the College held a farewell meal for Paul where they presented him with an array of gifts to enjoy during his retirement (including fishing equipment and theatre tickets). Some Fellows have known Paul since he joined the College 27 years ago.

Alumni bid a fond farewell to Professor Luzio at the Alumni Festival Concert and Dinner, where he was also after-dinner speaker.

Staff of St Edmund's College celebrated Paul's retirement with a 'Farewell Tea'. Staff presented him with a large cake and balloon (photographed to the right) and Paul and his wife, Jane, treated staff to a farewell toast with Jane's homemade sloe gin.

The College wishes Paul an enjoyable and relaxing retirement and hope he continues to visit the College, and attend our alumni events, regularly.



"It is difficult to think of a time when Paul Luzio was not in a central role in St. Edmund's College. Paul was elected

a Fellow in 1987 and acted as Tutor, Admissions Tutor and Senior Tutor before being elected Master in 2004.

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At the time of his election as Master, the College had just completed its biggest building project, which left the College with a large but manageable debt. It was unfortunate that the banking crisis and subsequent recession intervened and left the Master to manage a prolonged period of austerity.

Paul's resolve and strong leadership guided the College through this difficult period and by the end of his Mastership, the College finances were in a much stronger position and he supervised the production of the ambitious Master's Development Plan, which, I am confident, will become the enduring legacy of his Mastership."

**Professor Michael Herrtage
Vice-Master of St Edmund's College**



Pictured: Paul was presented with a cake and balloon by staff in his final week as Master.



Pictured: Paul participating in the annual Fellow's pantomime as a festive chicken.



Pictured: Paul with his wife, Jane Luzio, enjoying brunch with alumni in New York City, 2014

Retirement of Professor Paul Luzio

The Edition is pleased to unveil the official College portrait of Professor Paul Luzio, 13th Master and Honorary Fellow of St Edmund's College.



One of the Coton Morris musicians is Paul's wife, Jane Luzio, who is depicted playing the melodeon.

The College Dining Hall has a new painting hanging on its walls. This is the portrait of the thirteenth Master, Professor Paul Luzio, which was painted by John Walton RP. The painting shows Paul in the foreground and the College tower beyond, but also depicts some aspects of Paul's time as Master. He particularly wanted to have some representation of the annual Garden Party that has grown and developed over the years, becoming a very happy and joyful event each June involving hundreds of present and former members of the College.

During Paul's time as Master the Coton Morris Men came along to the Garden Party each year to provide entertainment with their dancing. One of the Coton Morris musicians is Paul's wife, Jane, who is depicted playing the melodeon. Also in the background are some items to remind members of the College that the recent past has been a period of sporting as well as academic success. The College oars, the bear and the pink and blue rugby shirt pay tribute to some of the sports teams and individuals involved in those successes.

Throughout his time as Master, Paul continued to lead a research group in the University's Clinical School. In the portrait he is shown holding a protein structure, called a clathrin cage that he chose to represent his academic field of research in cell biology. Clathrin cages act as coats that surround little vesicles that travel around inside cells, carrying proteins and fats from one place to another, as part of a process called intracellular membrane traffic. When Paul tried to explain this to the artist, John asked if the vesicles are like buses inside the cell and Paul agreed that is a good analogy.

The portrait painter, John Walton RP, has enjoyed a distinguished career as an artist. Born in 1925, he studied at Ruskin School of Drawing in Oxford and the Slade School of Fine Art in London. He has exhibited at the Royal Academy, Royal Society of Portrait Painters, Paris Salon, Academie des Beaux Arts-Institut de France and throughout the UK and France. He was elected a member of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters (RP) in 1976, was Chairman of the Federation of British Artists (FBA) from 1990-1997 and was Principal of Heatherley's School of Fine Art in Chelsea, the oldest independent art school in London, from 1974-2013.

The College Council has agreed that the portrait may be displayed at the next Annual Exhibition of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters to be held at Mall Galleries on The Mall in central London from 16 April - 1 May 2015. The exhibition is by private view only, however the College has a limited number of viewing cards available for alumni. Please contact the Development Office at development@st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk if you would like a card.



An update from the Dean, Fr Alban McCoy

Surprising as it might seem, apart from its use for all major College ceremonial celebrations throughout the academical year, the Chapel is rivalled only by the Dining Hall, in being full on a regular basis...

Significantly, along with their position at opposite ends of the Norfolk Building main corridor, both the Chapel and the Dining Hall can and do regularly accommodate exactly the same number of people – 110 – once a week: the Dining Hall on Fridays for Formal Hall and Guest Nights during Term, the Chapel on Sundays throughout the year for Sunday Mass. A salient difference between the two spaces is that while the Chapel is the most tranquil place in College, the Dining Hall is without doubt the noisiest. But both answer to essential needs, nourishment for body and soul.

During the next academical year, we will be marking the College Chapel's centenary. Celebrations begin in 2015 with the Feast of St Edmund, our College patron, on 13 November, presided over by the Archbishop of Westminster and Visitor of the College, His Eminence, Cardinal Vincent Nichols. During the course of the centenary year, another Archbishop, an alumnus of the College, (and, by then, we

hope, he will also be a Cardinal) the Archbishop of Armagh, Eamon Martin, will join us for the Commemoration of Benefactors. The year will be brought to a conclusion, during Alumni Weekend 2016 by, we hope, the Papal Nuncio, Archbishop Antonio Mennini, the personal representative of the Pope in Great Britain. It's also hoped that a Chapel Centenary Lecture will take place in Lent Term, speaker as yet to be announced.

To mark the Centenary, a small but important building project is being planned (proposal pictured above). Though the Chapel is, both architecturally and geographically, a highly visible feature of the College, the entrance area, which is its most conspicuous aspect, leaves much to be desired, aesthetically and practically.

It lacks, for instance, any disabled access: disabled persons have to approach through the College's main corridor,

An update from the Dean, Fr Alban McCoy

navigating through numerous, heavy fire doors. Having been built on a tight budget in the '50s, the portico has ugly, utilitarian steps and an inelegant and inadequate handrail.

We are proposing to reconfigure the entrance area with elegant, illuminated steps, a gentle easy-access slope and an inviting seating area in a landscaped space, integrating the Chapel with the surrounding environment. We also envisage a bronze statue of St Edmund of Abingdon, the College's patron saint, sitting on one of the curved, stone benches, identical with the one at St Edmund's Hall, Oxford and at our parent College, St Edmund's College, Ware. The cost of this project is estimated to be in the region of £50,000 for the steps, disabled access and landscaping and £25,000 for the statue. So far, we have received an immensely generous pledge of

£20,000 from one donor alone; but we badly need more help if we are to complete the work in time for the opening of the centenary celebrations.

The Chapel community will be helping to raise monies on a regular basis, but if you can help us in any way, with small or large donations, we would be immensely grateful and, especially if you were married in the College Chapel or your children were baptised here, there could be no more fitting way of preserving it for future generations of the College.

If you would like to make a donation, cheques should be made out to St Edmund's College, but please specify that it is for the Chapel Appeal. Alternatively, direct online payments, again specified, can be made at www.st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk/payments.

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Pictured: (Left) Plans to reconfigure the entrance area to the Chapel
(Below) Bronze statue of St Edmund of Abingdon, the College's patron saint



Dr Richard Maitland Laws CBE ScD FSB FRS

11th Master of St Edmund's College

In October, the College was sad to announce the death of Dr Richard Maitland Laws, 11th Master of St Edmund's College, aged 88.

Richard Maitland Laws was born on April 23 1926 at Whitley Bay, Northumberland, and educated at Dame Allan's School, Newcastle-upon-Tyne. From there he won a Scholarship to St Catharine's College, Cambridge, where he later became a Research Scholar and Honorary Fellow.

In 1947, within a few months of gaining a First in Zoology, Laws sailed south as a biologist with the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey (later BAS), in a team led by Sir Vivian Fuchs. Fuchs put Laws in charge of the station on Signey Island where he studied the biology of the southern elephant seal. He spent two years at Signy before returning to Cambridge to start writing up the results of the most comprehensive study to have been made of any species of seal — and perhaps of any large mammal in the wild — until that time.

In 1951, Laws went south with the FIDS, this time in charge of the station at Grytviken, South Georgia, to continue his work on the elephant seal, looking in particular at measures to conserve the population in the face of exploitation of the seals for their oil. After taking his PhD in 1953, Laws joined the staff of the National Institute of Oceanography, and in the same year returned to the Antarctic for a season, this time as a biologist and whaling inspector in the factory ship *Balaena*.

In 1961, Laws transferred his interest from large marine mammals to large terrestrial mammals and worked in Africa for the next eight years, initially as director of the Nuffield Unit of Tropical Animal Ecology in Uganda

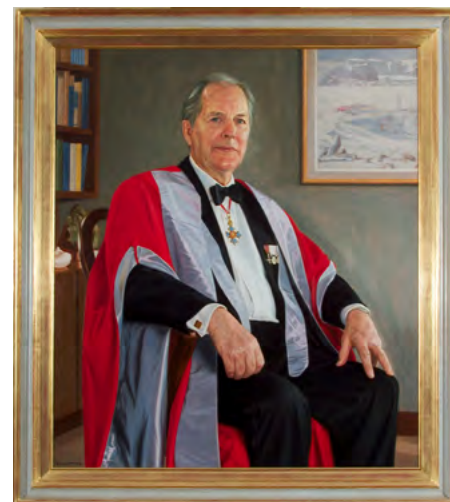
and later as first director of the Tsavo Research Project in Kenya.

Laws returned to BAS in 1969, as head of its Life Sciences Division, succeeding to the directorship of the whole organisation in 1973, and served until 1987. Despite the burden of administrative duties, he continued to play a leading role in scientific forums, helping to draft conventions for the preservation of marine life and editing major works on Mammals of the Sea (1978-82) and Antarctic Ecology (1984). Laws was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society in 1980 and appointed CBE in 1983 (for his astute conduct during the Falklands crisis with regards to his 28 staff stationed nearby). In his retirement from the Survey in 1987, Laws took over full-time as Master of St Edmund's College, having already served two years part-time in this capacity. Laws was Master from 1985 to 1996. He was elected an Honorary Fellow from 1996 - 2014.

In honour of Dr Laws' dedication and hard work, a building was named after him in St Edmund's College. 'The Richard Laws Building', containing 50 student rooms, kitchens and bathrooms was opened by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh on 2 May 2002.

In 1954, Richard Laws married Maureen Holmes, with whom he had three sons.

A Memorial Service for Dr Laws will be held on Saturday 31 January 2015 at 2.30pm in the Chapel at St Edmund's College, Cambridge, followed by afternoon tea.



Dr Laws was Master of St Edmund's College from 1985 to 1996 and was elected an Honorary Fellow of the College in 1996

Members of the alumni who were students when Dr Laws was Master are warmly invited to attend, together with visitors and former Fellows who knew him, in a celebration of his life and contribution to science and conservation.

In order to have an idea of the numbers of guests attending, it would be very helpful if you could inform the Master's Secretary on masters.office@st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk by 23 January 2015 if you plan to attend.

With thanks to Anne Keleny and The Telegraph for their contributions.

Dr Richard Maitland Laws CBE ScD FSB FRS

A personal reflection by Revd Dr Geoffrey Cook, Life Fellow

I first met Dr Richard (Dick) Laws at a Norfolk Commemoration in the early 1980s. We had been placed next to each other at the second seating and I was immediately impressed by his warm nature, together with his interesting experiences of his time in Antarctica and Africa. Little did I realise at that time that I would have the pleasure of working closely with Dick Laws for eleven years, as well as getting to know him and his wife, Maureen, as personal friends.

On his election as the eleventh Master of St Edmund's, Dick, as a distinguished scientist, brought immense academic standing to the post, coupled with considerable administrative acumen as a former Director of the British Antarctic Survey. Dick immediately recognised the potential for St Edmund's House, as it was called when he first became Master, to develop as an institution both physically and academically. I suggested to Dick that the College needed a Development Committee and he immediately gave this idea his every support.

In addition to his College duties, Dick took on considerable work for the University, which brought St Edmund's to the attention of a wider group of University officials and staff. No doubt the details of his career and his accomplishments for the College will be detailed elsewhere in this magazine, but I would like to put on record all the hard work he put into advancing the College behind the scenes.

In his *Letter from the Master, 1994 – 95* in the St Edmund's Record, Dick wrote, "The 1996 Charter Committee has the task of planning the celebrations (for the College's centenary) and drawing

up new Statutes and Ordinances for the College" he then goes on to say "In May I applied to the University for full College status and permission to petition Her Majesty the Queen in Council for a Royal Charter. This has involved the Charter Committee, which I chair, in much work".

What he doesn't say is anything about the numerous drafts and redrafts that he and his Secretary, the late Mrs Pam Hayes, produced. At every meeting of the Committee a whole new set of documents would be ready in perfect order. It was Dick's attention to detail that greatly smoothed the process of drafting the Statutes and Ordinances for the College's Royal Charter. When Dick retired as Master, my wife and I had the pleasure of meeting him and Maureen socially. Even in his later years he was always asking about the College and made it clear that he had greatly enjoyed his time as Master.

On the last occasion that I saw Dick, Pat and I had had lunch with him and Maureen, Dick and I were sitting together in his garden enjoying the warm autumn sunshine. Almost the last thing he said to me was, "We are very happy". I think his time at St Edmund's was part of that happiness, and I am sure that if he felt the present members of the College were enjoying some of the developments he had worked hard for then he would be very content. To quote from his letter of 1993 – 94, "This year has been in many respects an annus mirabilis for the College, as we increasingly stake our position in Cambridge. Our international Collegiate society is a happy and productive one, maintaining its friendly, informal traditions".

Dick, may you rest in peace.



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Tutorial Award Report

The College was proud to support a student organised event, 'Africa Together' this year, through our Student Support Fund. We offered two student-run event grants of £300 this year, the other being for a graduate conference, and hope to extend the scheme next year as a way of supporting our students and their engagement with the University. Here, current student Gilmore Welli (Chemical Engineering) details the event he co-organised 'Africa Together'.

Fifty-one years ago, on 25th May 1963 thirty two African leaders convened in Addis Ababa and formed the Organisation of African Unity (OAU), a pan-African organisation aimed at eradicating colonialism across the continent, promoting unity and solidarity, and defending the sovereignty of newly independent African states.

Thirty-eight years later, on 25th May 2001, the OAU was dissolved and replaced by the African Union (AU), on a day now celebrated as Africa Day. The AU seeks to promote 'an integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in global arena.' It is in this spirit that 'Africa Together' was born.

This year for the first time, in what will become an annual tradition in Cambridge, 'Africa Together' was held on 23rd May 2014 at the Cambridge Union Society's iconic building.

The event celebrated African narratives of the past, present and the future from an eclectic group of disciplines. 'Africa Together' not only engaged and energised Africans and those interested in Africa, but explored current pan-Africanism and African renaissance that are key to the promotion and acceleration of Africa's

development in the 21st century. At the end of a fantastic day, several unique elements stood out about the 'Africa Together' programme.

Firstly, the diversity of achievements among the speakers across a range of sectors including culture, media, education, music, history, business, environmentalism, women's empowerment and fashion, truly captured the breadth of incredible work being done by Africans on the continent and in the diaspora. This gave the audience a chance to learn something new in fields they might not necessarily have direct links to, while at the same time creating an intimate setting where speakers could be approached for further discussion or advice.

It was also widely noted that Africa Together 2014 boldly encapsulated Francophone as well as Anglophone perspectives from the continent and the diaspora, with speakers from Democratic Republic of Congo, Guinea, Gambia, Mali, Senegal, Tunisia, South Africa, Nigeria, Uganda and Ghana. Furthermore, not only were strong messages echoed through the talks given during the day but also through the inspiring story of one of the caterers, who set up his own catering company, Mikies, in south London.



Pictured: Amadou Mahtar Ba, Founder and CEO of the Africa Media Initiative, talking at the event

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Other achievements related to the event included great publicity via inclusion on BBC Radio Cambridgeshire's most popular afternoon show with Sue Dougan, as well as two important opinion pieces on Women and ICT in Africa by Rai Sow and Confronting Fundamental Sexism in Africa by Jessica Horn published by Al Jazeera.

'Africa Together' 2014 was always an ambitious project, the first of its kind in Cambridge and a true collaboration between African students across the University.

'Africa Together' demonstrated that the University of Cambridge is more than a world renowned institute of learning; it is also home to a group of passionate young Africans who are keen to ensure their continent is showcased in more diverse, meaningful and powerful ways.

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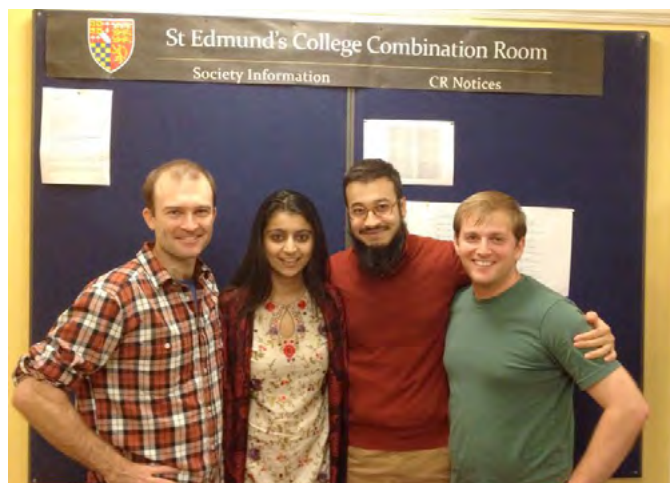
much about creating an African presence at the University of Cambridge. In subsequent years we plan to grow and develop 'Africa Together' into a strong platform to actively drive change and fuel debate and discussion around critical issues affecting the continent. With new incoming students each year, we await new ideas and visions.



Pictured: (Above) Sona Jobareth, first female Kora-player from a Griot family (Below) Sir David King, Keynote speaker, Director of Research in Physical Chemistry



Call for former CR Presidents



St Edmund's College would like to collate a formal record of all former CR Presidents of the College. The Tutorial Office hopes to commemorate all the Presidents' hard work and dedication to the College in 2015.

If you were President of the CR during your time at St Ed's, or can remember who was whilst you were studying here, please contact the Development Office on development@st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk.

Pictured: Our current CR President, Adrien Amigues (far right), with three previous Presidents (left to right) - Luke Fletcher, Parul Bhandari and Adnan Nasir.

College Prizes and Blues

We would like to highlight the academic success achieved by our students by congratulating the following who have all been awarded College prizes for the 2013/14 academic year.

The Claydon Prize for non PhDs in Economics Subjects was awarded to **Aswin K** (Economics)

The Coventry Prize for Theology was awarded to **Dominic McGrattan** (Theology)

The Emsley Prize for Science was won by **Stephen Walker** (Astronomy) and **Jurg Schuler** (Earth Sciences)

The Emsley Prize for Historical Subjects was awarded to **Richard Simpson** (History)

The Jackman Prize for all PhDs except Economics was won by **Efthalia Trigoni** (English)

The Chatterjee prize for highest mark in MPhil in Finance was awarded to **Gerald Weigl** (Finance)

Ke Xu and **Xiaoyang Lu** received the Lemaitre Award for achieving the highest marks in the Finals of the Mathematical Tripos 2014

The first John CB Chau prize in Engineering was awarded to **Wassim Aouad** (Engineering)



Each year the Simon Boniface Prize is awarded for the highest mark in the Finals of the Clinical Medical Studies. This year the award went to **Adulis Beyenne**

Blues and Half Blues Awarded

Congratulations to the following St Edmund’s students who were each awarded Blues and Half Blues for the academic year 2013/14.

Simon	Bewsey-Dyke	Polo	Half Blue
Michael	Bockmayr	Judo	Half Blue
Nate	Brakeley	Rugby Union	Blue
Gillian	Brooks	Ice Hockey	Half Blue
Steve	Dudek	Rowing	Blue
Catherine	French	Ski & Snowboard	Half Blue
Josh	Hooper	Rowing	Half Blue
Raz	Jabary	Kickboxing	Half Blue
Sachin	Jivanji	Hockey	Blue
Alex	Leichter	Rowing	Half Blue
Rob	Malaney	Rugby Union	Blue
Douglas	Morton	Modern	Blue
		Pentathlon Club	
Thor	Richardson	Ice Hockey	Half Blue
Alex	Scharp	Rowing	Blue
James	Shacklock	Lawn Tennis	Blue
Grace	Stafford	Fencing	Blue



College Events

College Garden Party – 15 June 2014



The Master, Fellows, College staff, students and alumni gathered to enjoy the annual College Garden Party in June. The weather was milder than previous years and the College welcomed a record number of guests to celebrate Paul Luzio's last Garden Party as Master of St Edmund's. The gathered guests were entertained by a jazz band, Morris dancing, a children's play tent and fairground ride, together with a buffet, Pimm's, ice cream and a large cake kindly sponsored by the Alumni Society.



'A British Affair' - Afternoon Tea Party - 10 October 2014

St Edmund's College staff, Fellows and returning students gave a warm welcome to our new students this Michaelmas term. The CR organised many exciting events for 'Freshers'

Week' including walking tours of Cambridge, punting tours and quiz nights in Eddie's bar.

The Alumni Society kindly funded 'A British Affair Tea Party', which the CR organised as a way for students old and new to mingle in an informal and very 'British' way. The students were invited to relax in the Garden Room and orchard and to enjoy drinks and nibbles, including strawberries and cream.



The May Ball – A note from the Committee

Dear Alumni,

We know that after graduating from St Edmund's College you and your friends have scattered across the globe, beginning new lives and careers, but we hope that you didn't forget your time here at Cambridge.

We would like to invite you back to Eddie's to join us for a night full of unforgettable experiences at our annual May Ball on 19 June 2015. Revel again in the music, food, entertainments and cocktails until the sun comes up. Mark the date in your calendars and expect the ticket sales to start in February.

St Edmund's May Ball Committee 2015

Recent Alumni Society Events

The 'University Challenge Quiz Night' – 18 January 2014

Three teams of students, alumni and Fellows competed in this year's annual 'University Challenge' style Quiz Night' in January, which was one of the closest competitions in recent years. The Master presided over the proceedings as Quizmaster, while Associate Member, Philip Woodall kindly kept score. The longest run of answers came from the alumni team, with an impressive 13 questions answered correctly in a row. Despite this, the Fellows claimed victory with a score of 190 versus 167 for alumni and 140 for the student team.

Thank you to the Alumni Society for providing the refreshments and to all the participants and lively spectators for attending.



Annual Alumni Society Drinks Event – 26 February 2014

The Annual Alumni Society Drinks Event was held at Davy's Wine Bar in St James's, London. A group of alumni and their guests enjoyed an intimate evening with splendid wine and nibbles. A particular conversational theme of the evening was travel, as the Master's wife, Jane Luzio, had recently returned from a trip to New Zealand, where she had been reunited with several Eddies alums. This theme continued with an attendee who had travelled from Italy and another who

had recently returned to live in the UK after a long period in South Africa.

We hope to welcome more of you to the enjoyable event next year where alumni will be invited to attend for free.



Pictured: Richard and Annamarie Phelps

The 2014 Annual 2020 Boat Club Dinner

With eight Olympians present amongst the former rowers who between them had amassed 3 Olympic silver medals, 1 Olympic bronze and a veritable treasure trove of World Championship medals (6 gold, 6 silver and 5 bronze), the annual 2020 dinner was a truly glitzy occasion.

This year, the dinner was held at the Oriental Club in London on Saturday 5 April. We were joined by the crew of the 1994 Blue Boat, which included four St Edmund's men, amongst them the 1994 President of CUBC, Jon Bernstein, who gave us all an uplifting after-dinner speech.

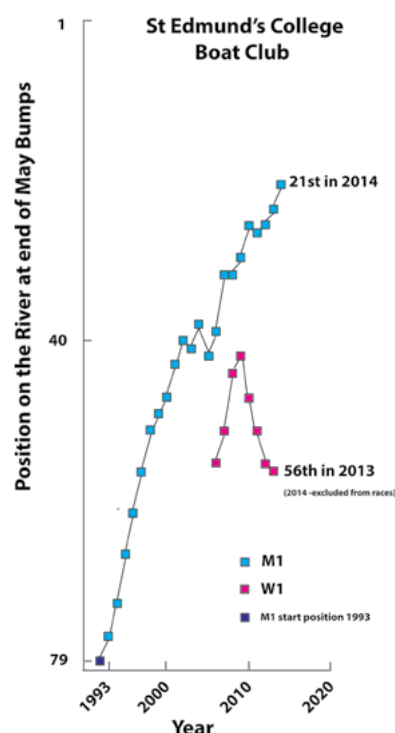
We were also delighted to have present Annamarie Phelps who is Chairman of British Rowing, the blades-winning 2014 Lent men's crew as well as Bernard Buckley and Mike

Casey from the 1970 Lent crew who recorded St Edmund's first ever bump, Bernard and Mike were accompanied by boxing blue Mike Smith, resplendent in his blues blazer.

After dinner, we toasted our club and our crews, but also the first St Edmund's Boat Race umpire, Richard Phelps and the 2014 men's Blue Boat, which would once again include four St Edmund's oarsmen.

The 2020 dinner is a wonderful occasion, held on the eve of the Boat Race and open to all those who have ever rowed with St Edmund's Boat Club or supported it in any capacity.

The aim of the dinner is to build support for the Boat Club and help its first boats become May Bumps Head of the River, or as close as possible, by 2020. The next dinner will be on Friday 10 April 2015 at the Oriental Club. Put the date in your diary and come along for a great St Edmund's Boat Club evening.



Recent Alumni Society Events

College Alumni Festival Concert and Dinner – 27 September 2014

The College welcomed a record number of alumni and their guests to its annual Alumni Festival Concert and Dinner in September. A Development Talk started the day, where the Bursar updated members on the College Plans and how they have progressed since the launch of the Master's Development Fund last year. This was followed by the Alumni Society AGM where the Society thanked Mr Nicolai Heering (European Studies, 1998) for all his hard work and generosity of time as Treasurer, and welcomed Mr Peter Arthur (Law, 1972) as his successor.

Guests were then treated to a wonderful concert in the Garden Room by 'Music without Frontiers' - Mifune Tsuji and Yukie Smith. Mifune



and Yukie are a violin and piano duo who explore an eclectic selection of music from around the world.

After drinks, the guests enjoyed a delicious five course dinner and an entertaining and nostalgic speech from Professor Paul Luzio. Members wished Paul Luzio a fond farewell as Master of St Edmund's College.

Alumni Society Annual London Dinner - 12 November 2014

We were delighted to welcome 25

people to the Alumni Society Dinner at the Oxford and Cambridge Club. Alumni with matriculation dates ranging from 1972 to 2012 enjoyed meeting the new Master, Matthew Bullock, and his wife, Anna. The Master was the speaker for the evening and introduced himself and then spoke about the College's plans for the future and the University's expansion into Northwest Cambridge.

The Master greatly enjoyed meeting our alumni and looks forward to seeing more of you at future events.

Forthcoming Alumni Events

St Edmund's University Challenge Quiz Night - 17 January 2015

St Edmund's will be hosting its ever popular 'University Challenge' style Quiz Night on Saturday 17 January 2015. Three teams comprised of alumni, Fellows and students, will battle it out once again to take the crown of Eddie's Eggheads. They will face difficult questions from the Master, Matthew Bullock. The event will take place in the Garden Room in College, with the quiz starting at 7.30pm. Attendance is free, thanks to a generous subsidy from the Alumni Society, who will also be providing wine, soft drinks and nibbles.

We would love to welcome alumni

back to the College to take part in the quiz or to help cheer on the teams as spectators. In order to assist with the catering, we would appreciate it if you could let us know if you will be attending by emailing Kerry Eady at development@st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk.

Annual Alumni Society Drinks Event - 4 March 2015

The St Edmund's Alumni Society welcomes you to join its annual winter get-together in London at Davy's in St James's from 7pm onwards. This is an informal evening of drinks and nibbles. To welcome the new Master to St Edmund's, the Alumni Society are generously offering for alumni to attend the



event for free. As always, partners and friends are very welcome to join us, at a cost of £10 per guest.

In order to assist with the catering, we would appreciate it if you could let us know if you will be attending by emailing Kerry Eady at development@st-edmunds.cam.ac.uk

News From Alumni

Alumnus appointed as Chair of Governors at St Edmund's College, Ware

Congratulations to **Mr Patrick Mitton**, Fellow Commoner and alumnus of St Edmund's (Land Economy, 1974) who has been appointed as Chair of Governors at St Edmund's College, Ware. The College in Ware is England's oldest Catholic school, founded in 1568. Today, the College educates more than 800 students aged between 3 – 18 years including a number of international boarding students. St Edmund's College, Cambridge and the College in Ware are linked in history. Affiliation for the College in Ware, with the University of Cambridge, was granted by the Senate on 4th June 1896. The founding of St Edmund's, Cambridge, as we know it today, commenced the same year with the establishment of St Edmund's House as a lodging house for Catholic students, many of whom were from the College in Ware. With the financial assistance of the Duke of Norfolk, the building for St Edmund's House was purchased.

St Edmund's College, Ware, has maintained a tradition of having governors who are associated with St. Edmund's, in Cambridge. The current Governing Body also includes the Dean, Fr Alban McCoy and Jane Ranzetta, an alumna of St Edmund's (PGCE, Education, 1982).

At Cambridge, Patrick studied for a Masters in Land Economy and has enjoyed a career in agriculture and crop production. Patrick was the inaugural Chair of the St Edmund's Alumni Society from 2001 to 2012.



Announcements Obituary

Rev. Dr William R. Stoeger SJ 1943 – 2014, who was a doctoral student of St Edmund's House, 1973 – 76, died in Los Gatos, California on 24 March 2014, after a battle with aggressive prostate cancer. In 1967, Bill completed a bachelor's degree in philosophy at Spring Hill College, Mobile, Alabama, following which he was awarded an MSc in physics from the University of California, Los Angeles. In 1972 he completed a Master's in Sacred Theology at the Jesuit School of Theology, Berkeley, California, and he was ordained a Jesuit priest the same year.

Bill arrived at St Edmund's House in October 1973 to pursue doctoral studies in Stephen Hawking's group at the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics. His doctoral supervisor was Martin Rees (later Lord Rees of Ludlow, and Astronomer Royal). Bill worked for 40 years on the astronomical implications of Einstein's general theory of relativity.



After Cambridge, where his PhD was awarded in 1976, he worked in the theoretical gravitational physics group at the University of Maryland. In 1976 he joined the staff of the Vatican Observatory, working in the papal residence at Castelgandolfo, and at the observatory in Tucson, Arizona.

His interests ranged very widely: the physics of black holes, mathematical issues in general relativity and theoretical cosmology, and the origin of the universe. He published over 100 papers in astronomical journals. The breadth of his research extended to philosophical issues in science and religion, and he wrote on critical realism in science and theology.

While at St Edmund's, Bill, together with Martin Rees and two others, made a very great discovery when they showed how a supermassive black hole at the centre of an active galaxy could produce stupendous amounts of energy in a spinning disc of matter surrounding the black hole. This caused a transformation in the emerging discipline of high-energy astrophysics.

Simon Mitton
Life Fellow, St Edmund's College

News from Fellows

New Fellows

The following Fellows were recently inaugurated into St Edmund's College. We are delighted to welcome them to the College.

Dr Fiona Maine is a lecturer in primary Literacy in the Faculty of Education. She coordinates the Primary PGCE English course; supervises PhD students and researches with teachers to investigate primary literacy, with a particular focus on reading and multi-modality. She started her career as a primary teacher, worked with VSO in Eritrea, and then became a literacy consultant for Wiltshire County Council. Before her appointment with Cambridge in 2012 she had spent 8 years leading the Professional Master's Degree at Bath Spa University.



Mr Ian Stewart McCrone graduated from the University of Liverpool with a degree in veterinary science and has completed further postgraduate qualifications with a Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons' certificate in cattle health and production and a Masters Degree in epidemiology and a Diploma of the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Before joining the department of veterinary medicine Ian worked almost exclusively as a farm animal

(veterinary) practitioner in North Norfolk, South Yorkshire and the Lancashire-Yorkshire border. Ian joined Cambridge in 2006 initially as a Clinical Farm Animal Veterinarian, then as a Clinician Teaching Fellow in Veterinary Public Health and Farm Animal Medicine, and since October 2013 as University Physician, a reader level position with responsibility as Farm Animal Clinical Team Leader.

Dr Suzanne Paul is the Medieval Manuscripts Specialist in the Department of Manuscripts and University Archives at Cambridge University Library. She obtained an MA in Classics and Medieval History from the University of Edinburgh, followed by an MA and PhD in Medieval Studies from the University of Leeds. From 2003-2007, she undertook post-doctoral research at the University of Hull which resulted in the publication of the 4-volume Repertorium of Middle English Prose Sermons.

In 2007, she moved to Cambridge to work as a researcher on the *Parker on the Web* project at Corpus Christi College and subsequently became sub-librarian of the Parker Library. She was appointed to her current role in the University Library in 2013. Within the broad field of manuscript research, she has a particular interest in medieval sermons and preaching, and in the application of digital technologies to the study of medieval manuscripts.

New Research Fellow

Dr Christina Fuhr is a Sociologist with a research interest in group identity as well as status formation and culture.

Christina has recently completed her doctorate on Jewish identity construction and perpetuation in contemporary Britain at the University



of Oxford. For this ethnography, she interviewed 121 British Jews with various backgrounds and different forms of affiliation.

Her research illustrates that Jews cannot be studied as either a religious, ethnic, national or cultural group, but the nexus between religion, ethnicity, nationality and culture must be considered in the examination.

While studying for her PhD, she has worked on a variety of academic projects such as in the fields of social movement, inequality and ethno-religious, national as well as elite group research.

Christina has joined the Woolf Institute in November 2013 to work with Dr. Ed Kessler and Dr. Shana Cohen on a major ethnographic research project examining interfaith cooperation in Berlin, Paris, Rome and London.

News from Fellows

New Fellow Commoner

Professor Allen Brent was awarded the senior higher doctorate of the University of Cambridge, the D.D. following an examination of his corpus of published works in 2008.

At present, Professor Brent has a personal Chair in the University of London, King's College, where he teaches and administers research projects. His work is in the field of History and examines the interface between Classical Culture and Early Christianity, specialising on non-literary, epigraphical and iconographic sources.

Professor Brent has been an Affiliated Lecturer in Cambridge University's Faculty of Divinity. He is a Catholic Priest and formerly Acting Dean of St Edmund's College.



Former Senior Tutor receives OBE



St Edmund's College is delighted to congratulate **Dr Helen Mason**, Fellow and former Senior Tutor, on receiving an OBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list. Helen is a Reader in Solar Physics and Head of the Atomic Astrophysics Group in the University's Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics. She has received her OBE for services to higher education and to women in science, engineering and technology. Helen's

outreach work includes her leadership of the SunTrek project, an educational website about the Sun and its effects on the Earth.

In an interview with the Cambridge News Helen said: "It is a great honour, and a humbling experience to be recognised for the work I have done, not only for the University of Cambridge, the Department of Applied Mathematics and Theoretical Physics and St Edmunds College, but also with UK teachers and schools."

Templeton Prize for former Visiting Fellow

St Edmund's College is pleased to congratulate **Monsignor Professor Tomas Halik** who was a Visiting Fellow in 2003, on the award of the 2014 Templeton Prize.

Professor Halik is a Czech priest and philosopher who is President of the Czech Christian Academy and was influential in the formation of the Czech Republic. The Templeton Prize of £1.1 million is awarded each year to a living person who has made an exceptional contribution to affirming life's breadth of spiritual dimensions, whether through insight, discovery, or practical works. Previous winners include Lord Rees, the former Master of Trinity College and Revd Dr John Polkinghorne, former President of Queens' College and also an Honorary Fellow of St Edmund's College.



News from Fellows and Members

Fellow Announcements

The College would like to congratulate **Dr Eden Yin** on his marriage to Ya Liu on 5 August 2014 in Guangzhou, China. Ya Liu works for HSBC in Shanghai as a Senior Manager and will be joining Dr Yin in Cambridge in the New Year.

Many congratulations to **Dr Yi (Jessica) Li** on the birth of her daughter, Qingyue Alicia Yan, on 5 January 2014. Jessica is currently a Research Associate at the Cambridge Institute for Medical Research and has been working on Alzheimer's since she joined in 2010.



Congratulations to former Research Fellow, **Huw Williams** and his wife on the arrival of their baby girl, Rosa Elisabeth Gwen Williams on 6 April 2014.

New Senior Member



Mrs Jane Luzio grew up in Cambridge and after leaving school she joined Cambridge Ballet Workshop and taught classical ballet for 40 years. Teaching ballet was her real love, but it was a part time activity, so when she left school she also trained to be a secretary and, in 1967, was appointed secretary to the

9th Master of St Edmund's College, Canon Sweeney, on 24th October 1967, exactly 47 years before her inauguration as Senior Member.

Jane worked for the College for three years at that time, leaving in 1970 to marry for the first time, a marriage which led to motherhood and bringing up 3 children. By the mid-1980s Jane was a single mother and resumed her career as a secretary, PA and administrator. She again worked for St Edmund's in the college office in 1987-88 and moved on to the University Department of Engineering where she was a Senior Secretary and Administrator for 22 years.

In 1990 Jane was invited to dinner in the college by a group

of students and after dinner met one of the Fellows, Paul Luzio (in the college bar). She married Paul in 1992 and supported him during his time as Senior Tutor in the 1990's and during his period as the 13th Master over the past ten years. Professor Luzio has often said that when he visited alumni overseas, the alumni from the 1960's and late 1980's knew exactly who Jane was, but were not too sure about him.

In addition to Jane's enthusiasm for the College, its students and alumni over the years, she has also had other interests including playing the button accordion for a local Morris Side for more than 30 years.

Since retiring she has become an Independent Custody Visitor at Parkside Police Station and also provides voluntary assistance to the College's Development Office.

Flying High on Big Data

Dr Philip Woodall, an Associate Member of St Edmund's College, recently gave a joint talk with Boeing's Vice President, Gary Fitzmire, on the University of Cambridge's strategic research collaboration with Boeing at the Department of Engineering's conference on *Research through Industrial Collaboration: Engagement in Practice – Lessons from the Coalface*. Working alongside Professor Duncan McFarlane at the Cambridge Distributed Information and Automation Laboratory (DIAL), Philip has co-established and co-managed several large research projects with Boeing. Specialising in the area of Big Data management in engineering organisations, Philip is spearheading a new drive to ensure that research outputs from Cambridge can be embedded in, and will positively impact, Boeing's future operations.



To celebrate this strategic partnership, and the work that Boeing does with universities and charity partners in the UK, Philip was subsequently invited to the House of Commons on 10 June 2014 to meet with Constituency MPs for Boeing's partnerships and other Parliamentarians. At this high-profile event, Philip discussed with Sir Gerald Howarth, the reception's host, and Sir Roger Bone, Boeing's UK President, the challenges associated with managing data in industrial organisations and gaining strategic advantage from it, and the great promise of new Big Data approaches in helping to alleviate these issues.

News from The Faraday Institute

2014 has been a productive and busy year for The Faraday Institute. Our dissemination has grown through the development and enhancement of our outreach through different media; our social media activity has more than doubled, we have had a presence and organised talks at a variety of conferences and exhibitions across an array of continents and for diverse audiences. Many of our resources have been translated into a variety of languages as well as being used in a selection of settings.

The New Year began with two Faraday courses aimed at different sectors of the community; the fifth annual introductory course on science and religion for students training for ordination in the Cambridge Theological Federation, followed by an academic conference *Greening the Gods: Ecology and Theology in the Ancient World* held in mid-March in conjunction with the Faculty of Classics. Later in the year, our annual week long summer course in July was a great success including the addition of *Meet the Speaker* sessions. These gave participants the opportunity to go beyond the contents of a lecture or hand-out and learn at first hand how our speakers respond to questions of science and faith.

The Institute has continued its collaborations with local initiatives worldwide, with staff travelling to Sweden to take part in a course organized by the Newman Institute, helping organise a Faraday course *Big Questions: From Science to Philosophy and Theology* at Austral University in Argentina, the Faraday-Kuyper Course *Science, Technology and Religion* in Brazil in October and finally a course in Madrid organised with the Centro de Ciencia y Fe entitled *Teología y Ciencia de la Creación* (Creation theology and science) in November.

Termly seminars have continued to be popular, judging by attendance. This year's speakers included: Revd Dr Joanna Collicutt talking on *A merry heart doeth good like a medicine: humour, religion and wellbeing*, Michael Northcott, Edinburgh University, speaking on *Eschatology in the Anthropocene*, and Prof. Raymond Tallis speaking on *Are we (just) animals?* Public lectures have included *Does the Universe Need God?* given by Hans Halvorson, Professor of Philosophy at Princeton University and Revd Dr Ernest Lucas speaking on *The Bible, Science and Creation*. All were well attended provoking much discussion during the question and answer sessions afterwards.

This year at the Cambridge Science Festival, Prof John Wyatt, Professor Emeritus of Ethics and Perinatology at UCL, spoke on *Matters of Life and Death*. Following its success at the Cambridge Festival of Ideas in 2013, the panel discussion *Boosting the Brain: How far should we go?* was taken to The Edinburgh International Science Festival in April. Prof Barbara Sahakian, Prof Raymond Tallis, Dr Alasdair Coles and Dr Pete Moore met again to a packed lecture theatre in the Summer Hall.

The *Uses and Abuses of Biology* grant programme, held its concluding workshop in September with Prof Alister McGrath, University of Oxford, speaking on *Darwin, Dawkins and the Divine: why is biology at the heart of the New Atheism?* as the opening talk of the weekend. A diverse group of international journalists and broadcasters, PhD students and academics then spent the weekend discussing and debating the many ways in which biology is used and abused in the social sciences, politics, religion, education and the media.

Very topically, the Director, Bob White has recently published *Who is to Blame? Disasters, Nature and Acts of God* and Rodney Holder has been busy

with two publications *Big Bang, Big God: A Universe Designed for Life?* and *Longing, Waiting, Believing: Reflections for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany*. The second revised and expanded edition of Denis Alexander's best-selling book *Creation or Evolution – Do We Have to Choose?* is also now available.

Our schools work has gained pace and is developing further with schools being invited to attend the Faraday termly lectures, in addition to more visits taking place to schools. The Faraday Institute is working with the *God and the Big Bang* project, led by Michael Harvey, to run a series of communication workshops training scientists to communicate to GCSE and A-level students (14-18 year olds) and giving them an exciting

opportunity to discover, discuss and debate the compatibility of science and religion. The first workshop took place in Cambridge during the last weekend of September. We are also pleased to announce the appointment of Lizzie Coyle as our Youth & Schools Outreach Officer.

The Faraday Institute's Twitter and Facebook, have seen a great increase in followers. We had our top ever audience reach of over 24,800 in response to an article in *The Creativity Post* 'Science Is Not About Certainty' by Carlo Rovelli, discussing the importance of multi-disciplinary interaction, in particular that between science

and the humanities. In addition, our YouTube channel is now offering longer interviews with speakers so you can get to know the scientists behind the topics. We are also developing our new Podcast series that already includes *The Faraday Book Club* and *Chats with John Polkinghorne* which are being received well via the Cambridge University SoundCloud. <http://bit.ly/1FCN4lx>

The sad news of this year is that our administrator Polly Stanton retires at the end of 2014, having been with the institute since it began in 2006. She has contributed much to the success of the Faraday over many years and will be sorely missed.

2015 will see us co-sponsoring a conference in Australia on *Rediscovering the spiritual in God's creation*. Our support of *Parks at One* (reaching scientists in the science park with short lunchtime talks) has seen the next development of *Talks at One* to be held at the Addenbrooke's Hospital/ Cambridge Biomedical Campus. This will see a six week series of lunchtime talks to begin in March.

Keep in touch with The Faraday Institute!

To keep up-to-date with the future as well as newsfeeds, information on events, resources and much more, visit our website or YouTube channel, which offers videos of lectures and interviews, or follow us on Twitter, Facebook or SoundCloud.

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