

FOR UNIVERSITY STAFF

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SEMINARS

There is no Wednesday or Friday seminar this week.



CHRISTMAS DEADLINES 2017- THIS WEEKS DEADLINE

In order to meet the dates set by the University Finance Division the following are the internal OCDEM deadlines for Christmas

Wednesday 6th December

Any **suppliers invoiced received** must be with Den Carter by close of business on Wednesday 6th December in order to make the final payment run for 2017 which will be on Monday 11th December.

STAFF BENEFITS



The [University of Oxford shop](#) and [website](#) have four double discount late night shopping opportunities on the following Thursday nights:

- 7 December
- 14 December
- 21 December

The usual 10% off discount is doubled to 20% and is available to staff, students and alumni.

How would you like to kick off Christmas watching the Oxford United First Team take on Wigan Athletic at the Kassam Stadium?



Courtesy of Oxford United F.C. Oxford University have 10 tickets to give away to their last home game this year. All you have to do is be available on Saturday 23 December from 3pm and answer the following question:

When was the football club (Oxford) founded and what was the original name?

Please submit your entry via email to staff.gateway@admin.ox.ac.uk by midday Monday 11 December.

Each winner will receive two tickets, only one entry per person will be accepted.



SHUTTLE BUS ST2 DIVERSION

I am writing to advise that the current diversion of the ST2 Science Transit Shuttle from Roosevelt Drive to the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre and Old Road will continue into summer 2018. Whilst Churchill Drive will reopen by the New Year, we cannot yet serve the Roosevelt Drive bus stop as it has been closed and boarded off as part of the construction of Building 696. Until this stop re-opens in the summer, there is nowhere safe to stop on Roosevelt Drive.

As a result ST2 passengers heading from the Science Area to ORC can alight at the Valentia Road bus stop on Old Road or at the bus stop near the entrance to Pippins Day Nursery at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre (NOC). The NOC is only a short walk from ORC. Passengers travelling from ORC to the Science Area can board ST2 at Pippins Day Nursery bus stop at the NOC, at the bus stop opposite Lime walk on Old Road or the bus stop in Old Road/Valentia Road. Locations of the bus stops and route are shown at <http://sciencetransitshuttle.co.uk/routes-maps/>

Access to Headington – public exhibition for Headley Way & Cherwell Drive Works

As you may be aware, the next phase of the County Council's Access to Headington works along Headley Way and Cherwell Drive is scheduled to begin in January 2018. Due to the scheme being postponed from its original start date of July 2017, County are holding another public exhibition to share the [scheme plans](#). The exhibition will be held at Headington Prep School, 26 London Road, Headington, OX3 7PB on Thursday 14th December between 2:30pm and 6:30pm. Please contact the County's project team at accessheadington@oxfordshire.gov.uk or call 0845 310 1111 for further information.

Kind regards

Adam Bows



Friday Seminar Series:

A sign-up form for Hilary term is now up on the board outside the kitchen.

Priority has been given to final year students for confirmation of status talks, so all other graduate students are invited to sign up to give updates for their projects. Any other staff members are also invited to give an update for research projects they are currently working on or are planning to embark

IDia – Innovators in Diabetes

Are you an early career researcher with an interest in diabetes? Do you have the potential to develop into a leader in the field?

The exciting Innovator in Diabetes (IDia) programme is your chance to expand your knowledge, gain new skills and network with other like-minded researchers.

Further details

Previous and current OCDEM IDia alumni are:

- Katharine Owen
- Neil Walker
- Fainia Kavvoura
- Reshma Ramracheya
- Quan Zhang
- Kerry McLaughlin
- Matt Simmonds
- Martijn van de Bunt
- Nicola Beer



GEMM

GENOME EDITING MICE FOR MEDICINE

Could genome engineering advance your research?



Do you lack a genetically altered mouse line that is fundamental to your research?

Nominations are now open for Genome Editing Mice for Medicine (GEMM) – a new community programme funded by the Medical Research Council from the MRC Harwell Institute.

GEMM will exploit the technical and logistical expertise developed at Harwell, together with recent advances in genome editing, to generate novel mouse lines. These are at no cost to the nominating scientist (apart from delivery costs).

For more information and to apply visit:
www.har.mrc.ac.uk/gemm-call



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INFO CAFÉ AREA DECORATIONS



Over the weekend elves appeared in the building and have decorated the Info Café Area with a Peter Pan Theme. The Peter Pan theme will be carried on at the OCDEM Family Event on Saturday at 2.00– 5:00 and we believe that many of the characters will put in an appearance. The event is not just for staff with children so feel free to drop in for some food, mulled wine/soft drinks and Christmas cheer.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS



The OCDEM Christmas Postbox is now situated in the Info Café Area. Santa and his elves are very busy this time of the year and therefore letters to Santa must be received by Monday 11th December to allow Santa time to reply.

BEST DECORATED OFFICE



The competition is hotting up for the best decorated office. We now have 5 enteries and if you have not entered and would like to then please contact Karen Parish.

OCDDEM RAFFLE

Prizes include:-

Viglen Chromebook 360

£20 Amazon voucher

Cuddly toys

Champagne

Umbrellas

Whisky

Clock

Mugs

Xmas towels

Pen & pencil set

Wine

.... and more

Tickets 50p each or £2 for a strip of 5 tickets

Please see Karen Parish for tickets

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO SOBELL HOUSE HOSPICE

OCDEM Christmas Festivities

Wednesday 13th December 2017

10.00-11.00 Judging 'Best Dressed Office'

12.00 'Bring a Plate' lunch

13.00 Quiz Hosted by Matt Neville and Katharine Owen

Food List available in the kitchen. Please give generously

