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Welcome

Dear all,

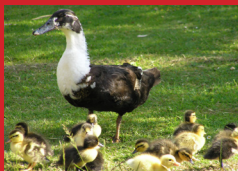
This month we have news and pictures of Graduation. It was so well attended that we needed to add an extra ceremony – a very nice problem to have! The Church has a brand new AV system so streaming and filming was all a lot easier. With big screens now in place in the Church even those guests at the back were able to see and hear everything.

With a short breathing space over Easter we are now working on the other 40th events for the rest of the year. Bev Kelly (40th Anniversary Manager) is, with the input of staff in the different schools and departments, putting together a fabulous weekend of events on 16/17 July. These include a shortened version of Shakespeare's "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by staff and students; the Chancellors Cup (sports events between the Schools); the annual Duck Race (to include prizes for best dressed duck, as well as the winner!); live music and lots of food, laughter and (we hope!) sunshine. We hope that many of you will be able to come along.

Also, to reiterate that we do have some rooms provisionally booked at the Best Western Hotel in Buckingham (<https://www.bestwestern.co.uk/hotels/best-western-buckingham-hotel-83812>), so if you want to stay over, do consider that. To get the reduced rate, please ask for Jerelyn Creado and say that you are a Buckingham alumnus.

Ticket sales for the dinner/dance at the Dorchester on 4th November are going well and we can now confirm that the Speaker of the House of Commons, the Rt Hon John Bercow, MP will be our guest speaker. Please do sign up if you would like to attend – we would love to see you there – or here - or here AND there!
To see all our 40th Anniversary events, please see: <http://bit.ly/25WxKAK>

Best wishes,
Anne



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Announcements



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HUMANITIES RESEARCH INSTITUTE PUBLIC LECTURES

DAVID JACQUES, FSA THE ORIGINS OF STONEHENGE: New Discoveries & New Perspectives

The Society of Antiquaries Lecture Theatre
Burlington House, Piccadilly, London W1J 0BE
Thursday 28 April 2016, 6:00 pm

David Jacques is Project Director for the internationally important excavations at Blick Mead, barely a mile from the standing stones, which are revolutionizing our understanding of human occupancy in the environs of Stonehenge, the origins of this supremely enigmatic structure, and the broader significance of the Stonehenge landscape more generally.

Tickets: £10, students: £5, available online at: www.buckingham.ac.uk/david-jacques-lecture
This event is part of the University of Buckingham Humanities Research Institute's ongoing series of public lectures by leading scholars in the humanities, in association with *HistoryToday*



Graduation and The Swan Ball 2016

On Friday 18th and Saturday 19th March the University held its annual Graduation Ceremonies, followed by The Swan Ball on Saturday evening.

Graduation is our largest and most exciting event of the year. It's always wonderful to see our graduates celebrating their achievements with their friends, family and loved ones, and reminiscing about the happy times they had at Buckingham.

Each of the five Graduation Ceremonies were held at the Buckingham Parish Church of St. Peter and St. Paul, a short walk from the University's Hunter Street campus, and were followed by a complimentary meal and drinks for the graduates and their guests in the Graduation Marquee on Beloff Lawn. We put a lot of work into Graduation and always hope to make the day as enjoyable and memorable as possible for our graduates and their families. Seeing the smiles on the graduates faces throughout the day makes the hard work worth while!

On the Saturday night The Swan Ball took place. Opening its doors at 10pm and drawing to a close at 6am the following morning, the ball is always a popular occasion with graduates and current students, giving them the opportunity to get dressed up and celebrate with their friends and classmates from the University. This year the special guests at the ball were Bernie Marsden and the Swan Band, Lemar and urban dance group Urban Strides. There was also a casino, a chocolate fountain and variety of different foods.

We hope all of our recent graduates enjoyed the celebrations and will look back on the weekend with fond memories. Please do keep in touch, we love to hear what you've been up to.





Professor Anthony Glees, Lecturer in Politics and Director of our Centre for Security and Intelligence Studies, has appeared in a number of TV and Radio programmes recently regarding the terror attacks in Brussels. He has also been mentioned in various articles. Please click the link below to read an article from *The Daily Mail* in which Professor Glees is quoted:

<http://daily.mai/1Rkj3AA>



Professor Alan Smithers has been mentioned in the article 'New Teachers able to Qualify in 'Six Months'' on schoolsweek.co.uk.

Please see the link below to read the article:

<http://schoolsweek.co.uk/new-teachers-able-to-qualify-in-six-months/>



In March, the Nigerian Alumni Association organised another meet and greet event in Abuja as part of the organisation for the 40th Celebration on 18th November.

It's great to see our alumni getting together so regularly, and it looks like they had another great turn out.

Keep in touch, we love to know what events you're organising and how they went.



Dana Amir (née Rosenberg) (Law, 1991), married Sharon Amir in September 1993 and was appointed as judge in the Tel Aviv Court in Israel two years ago (March 2014). She is currently living in Rishpon near Tel Aviv and handling criminal cases and arrests.

Our congratulations go to Dana on this achievement, and we hope that she is enjoying her role.



Major Frank Clark (MA Military History, 2016), has been appointed the rank of Chevalier in the Ordre National de la Légion d'honneur by the President of the French Republic. The award is for services to France during the Second World War.

Many congratulations on your award, and we send our best wishes for the future.



In February, Dr. James Slater visited Canada and met with some of our alumni.

He arranged a meet and greet event on 27th February and had a great turn out.

Thank you to everyone who went along and met him!



Nicole Stoneham (Law, 1991) has been appointed as a Puisne Judge of the Bermuda Supreme Court.

For more information on Nicole's great achievement, please see:

<http://www.royalgazette.com/article/20160315/NEWS/160319708>



In March, Danielle Robertson our CAM Programme Administrator and Admissions Assistant in the Business School, and Ben Charlton our International Development Officer, visited Vietnam and met with some of our alumni.

Danielle wrote the following about their recent trip:

"It was a fantastic time learning more about where our students come from, we took the trip to visit agents, schools and met alumni in both Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City. We had a great time reminiscing about good old times and what was more amazing was seeing first-hand how far, and how successful our alumni have become in such a short time since graduation."



Andrew Gibson (Accounting and Financial Management, 1991) returned to the Buckingham campus from his home in Australia in September 2015 with his wife Nikki and three sons, Thomas, James and Daniel.

Whilst visiting the campus, Andrew met with Professor David Pendrill. Professor Pendrill gave Andrew a brief tour of the campus to show him all of the changes that have taken place since he completed his degree 25 years ago.

We are so glad that you enjoyed your visit, and please do come and see us again soon!



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Events 2016

For your diaries, here is a list of the events taking place during next year both here and abroad. Please e-mail Helen at helen.watts@buckingham.ac.uk for more information.

April

Tuesday 12th - 'Selling Botticelli to America: Colnaghi, Bernard Berenson and the sales of the Story of Lucretia and Madonna of the Eucharist to Isabella Stewart Gardiner' a lecture by Jeremy Howard. 6.30pm, The Chandos Road Building.

May

Tuesday 10th - 'Prime Ministers and Downing Street from 1735 Until Today: a Uniquely British Puzzle' a public lecture by Sir Anthony Seldon. 6.30pm, The Radcliffe Centre.

Wednesday 25th - 'Great Piano Trios' a concert by the Adderbury Ensemble. Tickets £7.50, £5 concessions. 6.30pm (drinks from 6pm), The Radcliffe Centre.

July

Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th - A weekend of 40th Anniversary celebrations on the University campus to include talks, tours, performances, sport and much more. The event is still being finalised, but the basic information is available on this page:

<http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/event/showcase-weekend-at-the-university-of-buckingham/>

For more information please contact Bev Kelly on bev.kelly@buckingham.ac.uk

November

Friday 4th - A dinner and dance event is to be held at The Dorchester Hotel in London. This is our big 40th Anniversary celebration in the UK. More information is available here:

<http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/event/40th-anniversary-dinner-and-dance/>

Friday 18th - A 40th Anniversary Dinner and Dance event will be held in Lagos, Nigeria. More details will follow at a later date.



Photo Flashback

This photograph was sent in by an alumnus, Richard James (Economics, 1991). Do let us know if you are in this photograph, and what year you think it was taken. Please e-mail any answers you have to Lucy, at lucy.cato@buckingham.ac.uk

If you have any old photographs that you would like to share in the newsletter, please let Lucy know on the e-mail address above.

Last Month...



We're sad to say that we had no responses to the photograph in the March Newsletter.

If you know anybody in the photograph, please do get in touch and let us know.

40th Anniversary World Tour



Other World Tour Dates

Below are some rough dates for Sir Anthony's tour this year.

Please e-mail 40thanniversary@buckingham.ac.uk to book on to these visits, and to find out more, please see:

<http://www.buckingham.ac.uk/alumni-giving/40-anniversary>

Shanghai, China	Sunday 17 April
Hong Kong	Tuesday 19 April
Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Wednesday 25 May
Bangkok, Thailand	Friday 27 May
Singapore	Sunday 29 May
Dallas, USA	Wednesday 20 July
Washington D.C., USA	Thursday 21 July
New York, USA	Friday 22 July
Vancouver, Canada	Wednesday 14 September
Toronto, Canada	Thursday 15 September
Serajevo, Bosnia-Herzegovina	Sunday 25 September
Hanover, Germany	Tuesday 11 October
Hamburg, Germany	Wednesday 12 October
Mumbai, India	Tuesday 18 October
New Delhi, India	Wednesday 19 October
Dubai	Tuesday 25 and Wednesday 26 October
Nairobi, Kenya	Thursday 17 November
Lagos, Nigeria	Friday 18 November
Abuja, Nigeria	Saturday 19 November
Hamilton, Bermuda	Wednesday 30 November
Nassau, Bahamas	Thursday 1 December
Athens, Greece	Tuesday 17 January (2017)
Rome, Italy	Wednesday 18 January
Madrid, Spain	Thursday 19 January
Los Angeles, USA	Wednesday 8 February
San Francisco, USA	Thursday 9 February
Islamabad, Pakistan	Wednesday 8 March
Tokyo, Japan	Wednesday 28 March

Alumni Offers



SNO Holidays are offering University of Buckingham alumni 5% off of the brochure price of their ski holidays.

To get your discount, please quote the offer code BucksSKI5 with your enquiry.

Please see their website (below) for more information about the holidays they have on offer!

<https://www.sno.co.uk/>



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‘Flying on Our Own Wings’

16TH - 17TH JULY 2016 | A WEEKEND OF
CELEBRATIONS ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS

4TH NOVEMBER 2016 | A DINNER AND DANCE
EVENT AT THE DORCHESTER HOTEL IN LONDON



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