



## Welcome Manorites – new and old!

You've arrived. Your worldly possessions have been carried up numerous staircases. Your room now resembles a box-laden minefield. Your loved ones have finally left. So what now... it's time for the best week at the best graduate centre in Oxford.

### **Welcome to Holywell Manor's Freshers' Week.**

Freshers, in just one week we aim to get you settled in, introduce you to the beautiful city of Oxford and help you get to know your fellow Manorites and friends. For Stalers, now is the chance to relive your youth, drink too much and generally scare the new guys. Whichever you are, we guarantee you'll have loads of fun and this week will be one of the best of your life.

We hope you come to as many events as you can manage and look forward to catching up with you this week.

Jo Gale and Jon Selby  
MCR Social Secretaries

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### Friday 29 September

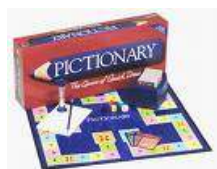


#### **8pm President's Drinks – MCR Presidents Room**

Come and join Chelsea, your lovely, antipodean MCR president in Centre Wing 4 for a drink. It's also an informal chance to meet the MCR committee, your fellow Freshers and the numerous Holywell returnees (who'll be huddled around the free drinks).

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### Saturday 30 September



#### **8pm Pictionary and Pina Coladas – Megaron**

Show off your artistic prowess (or complete lack thereof) in a win, lose or draw style pictionary game with game master Satish. Watch in astonishment as your drawing skills improve after Jess's crazy cocktail concoctions. Cheating encouraged.

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## Sunday 1 October



### 2pm **Oxford Story – meet in Holywell Manor Foyer**

Come on a fantastic voyage of discovery through the University of Oxford's past at this premier tourist attraction. Highlights include a 'real' student's bedroom and travelling around in little mini carts, just like at a theme park!

*(Approx. cost £5)*



### 8pm **Sunday Movies and Popcorn – TV Room**

Sunday night movies are a regular feature of Manor life. Relax and join in the cinematic fun... this week with free popcorn!!

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## Monday 2 October



### 11am **Walking Tour – meet in Holywell Manor Foyer**

Be a tourist for the morning, Sarah and Mike will take you on a tour of all the best bits of Oxford. Ending with a tantalising treat.



### 6.30pm **Mentor Dinner – Cockpit**

Grab your mentor (or mentee) firmly by the hand (or other suitable appendage) and lead them to dinner in our very own cockpit. Leave a little bit of tummy space for a special surprise at 7.30pm.



### 8pm **Wine, Cheese and Jazz – MCR**

A traditional Freshers' Week event, and who are we to argue with tradition? They'll be wine, they'll be cheese, and they'll even be jazz provided courtesy of Oxford's premier jazz ensemble – the Oxford Jazz Crumble.

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## Tuesday 3 October



### 3pm **Fun in the Sun** (AKA F'shizzle in the Drizzle) – **Master's Field**

Join Matt for some organised sport – all abilities welcome. Not necessarily competitive!

Followed at 5.50pm by a brief presentation from our football (soccer) captain, the irrepressible Satish. Come join the all-conquering MCR football team!



### 6pm **Barbeque – Masters Field**

Enjoy some scrumptious meat cooked on an authentic British BBQ (rain not guaranteed).



### 8pm **Quiz Night – MCR**

'Fun in the Sun' wasn't competitive enough for you? Show us exactly how smart you are! Exercise those mental muscles against the best minds Oxford has to offer (and the rest of us).

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## Wednesday 4 October



### **11am Scavenger Hunt – meet in Holywell Manor Foyer**

Join Rick in a hunt for riches and glory around the mysterious streets of historic Oxford. The winning team will receive a dinner voucher at one of our favourite Oxford restaurants.



### **6.30pm Pre-Freshers' Dinner drinks – Balliol Main Site**

Most subject tutors host drinks before the Freshers' dinner in College. If your tutor doesn't, then don't fret, come and join us for some free drinks with the Praefectus.

*(Venue TBC)*



### **7.30pm Freshers' Dinner – Balliol Main Hall (COMPULSORY)**

Balliol College is so glad that you're joining us; they treat you to a sumptuous three-course dinner. It's a great night, the organ plays whilst you arrive, the hall is atmospheric and the food is tremendous. It's nights like these that make you glad to be studying in Oxford.

*(Dress Code: Suit and Tie)*



### **10pm Port and Chocolate – MCR**

Not had enough to eat or drink? Port and chocolate are the staple diets of a Balliol graduate. Join us in the MCR for plenty of both, and reintroduce yourself to all those people whose name you seemed to have temporarily forgotten!

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## Thursday 5 October

### **Morning Freshers' Fair – University Exam Schools**



Fancy yourself a Monty Python expert? Interested in photography? An aspiring musician? Thespian tendencies? The University Freshers' fair gives you all the information you could ever want on Oxford University societies and teams. It's a bit of crush but arrive early and you get loads of free stuff.

*(Ticket required – find them in your pigeonholes)*



### **8pm Pub Crawl – meet in Megaron**

As a student it's your duty to be familiar with every watering hole in Oxford. Join your hosts Andrew, Chris, Erie, Toby, Jess and Jon for an assault on some of the best pubs.

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## Friday 6 October

### **Afternoon Balliol's Freshers' Fair – Balliol JCR**



Fancy yourself as a bit of an oarsman? This is where you sign up if you want to row. There's also many other Balliol clubs and societies you may be interested in.

## Friday 6 October cont.



### 3pm **Women's Event – MCR**

Meet your women's rep, Maya, and some of Balliol's female college officers. Find out about all things female in Balliol. Tea and snacks after.



### 4-7pm **Gym induction Sessions – Balliol Main Site**

A short briefing for those who wish to use of the gym on main site, you MUST attend if you intend to use the gym.

*(Every half hour)*



### 6pm **Medical Induction – Lecture Room 23 (COMPULSORY)**

You need to sign up with the college doctors. This is when you do it. There'll also be a brief chat about general well being.



### 7pm **Inflatable Combat – Holywell Manor Garden**

What better way to cement your newfound friendship with your fellow Manorites than beating the living daylights out of them with a large gladiator style stick?



### 9pm **Cocktail Night – Megaron**

Another fine Oxford tradition; there'll be buckets full of cheap, sweet, strangely coloured cocktails. You'll love it.

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## Saturday 7 October



### 11am **Pub Event – Meet in Foyer**

Meet your men's rep, Dan. Eat food. Make rude noises. Drink beer. Whatever sex you are, come along and show us your blokey side.



### 9pm **God Save the Queen Bop (a study of all things British)**

Balliol MCR has a reputation for holding the best bops in Oxford. Fact. Now it's your chance to experience this first hand. Think British stereotypes, think royalty, think Beckham, think like a Brit!

*(Dress to theme, prizes for the best costume!)*

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## Sunday 8 October



### 11.30am **Welfairy Brunch – MCR**

Post bop brunches have been proven to be the only way to cure your bop excesses! Come to the MCR for some quiet music, plenty of water and juice and some delicious brunch like delights.



### 8pm **Sunday Movies – TV Room**

It's the end of Freshers' week. You're probably ridiculously tired. Your final task, come to Sunday Movies. Chill. Relax.

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