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## President's Address

Hi everyone!

I hope you had a brilliant holiday! I spent three weeks in India over Christmas and New Year which seemed like a good idea at the time. Turns out Christmas isn't really a thing in India, and it's way too hot to wear Christmas jumpers on the beach in December. I had seafood curry for dinner on Christmas and I liked it.

I'd like to welcome all our new JYAs (again), but this time in writing. Welcome. In case you were wondering, this is an address that I have to write every other week and is annoyingly in the way of the Peeking Duck (if you haven't already, turn the page). It's supposed to be about things that go on at Worcester and in Oxford. More often than not it descends into meta commentary (a bit like this) and rambling.

It's election time (almost)! This time we'll be voting online with computers and clicking. Yay, technology. There will be a more complete 'election special' Woosta Source in the near future but for now let the hype build to imperceptible levels!

Alfie xoxo

"I've got that glitter on my eyes Stockings ripped all up the side Looking sick and sexy-fied So let's go-o-o (Let's go!)"

- Kesha, We R Who We R

Happy New Year, and welcome back to Worcester! The Peeking Duck is full to cracking this week—since joining Facebook, he's been so well fed that I've had to have words with the chef about not trying to serve him at formal.... You can also opt out by sending him a message on Facebook, so convenient!

Flick to p4-5 to be introduced to our new JYAs, and if you bump into any of them in the cloisters be sure to stop and chat! It seems we've also unwittingly adopted a turtle (p7). I wonder if we'll win the turtle migration race to add to our collection of Chelonian trophies (look it up!).

That really-expensive-but-just-not-your-thing gift you got for Christmas? See what it can raise for charity in the upcoming auction (p3). Arts Week is also coming up soon—see p6 for some more information on that, and a reminder from Dershil that even the greats among us slip up once in a while. The weather has pushed sports news to the back page, but you can count on our proud Worcester sportspeople to nab some victories despite the dearth of games. Way to go Worcester!!







Well, well, well.... It seems that after a refreshing Christmas break you lot did not hesitate at all to get back up to your old tricks! The number of sightings has been unprecedented, so without further ado, allow me to warm your cockles with a bumper edition of the view from the lake...

To start off, allow me to round up those honourable folk who seem to have opted for the traditional monogamous route, and have been coupling up in the run-up to Valentine's Day. Two earth scientists, one fresher and one second year, have fallen Gleefully into one another's arms, and fortunately they have names that lend quite a lot to someone trying to Penn quips on their names — I'm sure that was

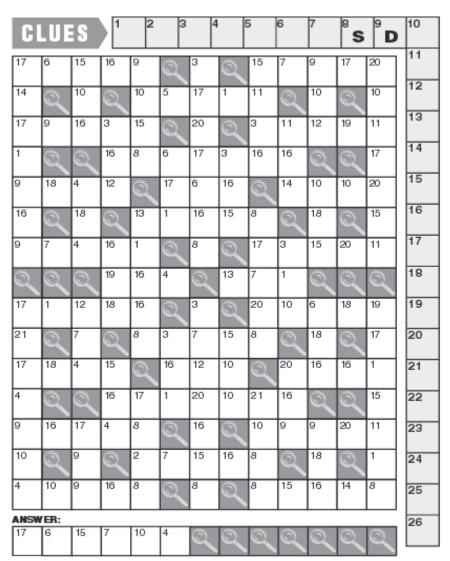
the greatest Matt-er on the minds of this Weise young couple... In a similar spirit, a second year musician had reason to be Charlful, as it turns out he was not Barkering up the wrong tree when he made advances on an Ellegant second year historian, who didn't edmonish him for the effort. Indeed, it seems that Cupid was spreading his arrows quite Libbyrally, as a couple also formed among the freshers, in the faughm of an infamously Georgeous medic grabbing a Winddow of opportunity to settle down. Let's hope no more thermostats are damaged as a result (and if you don't know what I'm talking about, make sure to catch up on the latest episode of Shark Tales). Another pair to Sebttle down together involved a stealthy Fox who was hell[en] bent on Robin' the heart of a contemporary fresher lady, word on the street is they've now become inSebarable.

However, in the face of all this romance, it seems that there are still many Worcesterites who are just looking for a good time. Particularly impressive was the effort of a hAnndful of third years, who did not let concern for finals Dominate them or ruin their bop. One third year was dressed as drug-Adled lothario Russell Brand, and it seemed she was keen to live up to that man's reputation as a top shagger when she hi-Jacked the attentions of a fresher physicist. The 'lady' in question then set her sights on a spot more cougar-ing the following Friday, this time Chousing Wahoo as her preferred hunting ground – to the delight of a Rajer inexperienced second year. But-let's cast our minds back again to the bop, where a couple of third years were getting very close – a Mee-k mathematician was cuddling up to a third year fellow who clearly [ge] wanted some distraction from his work: I am not certain whether anything salacious occurred but it certainly looked like he thought she would fit the Bill. I've also Hurd that Friday of 1<sup>st</sup> was looking pretty Ros -ie for one third year lawyer, as she spun a Webb of lust around a second year PPEist – well, who wouldn't have Dun? Wahoo was also the chosen location for a PPE Fin[d]alist whose refused to allow her slightly problematic academic life to Mar her fun: she certainly Metzer match in a 4th year Classicist whose famous face (which has represented this fine institution on University Challenge) Jon-ed with hers for some moments of passion. It would be plain -shilly of me to unDerestimate this girl's capacity for fun, as she'd also Shahred a moment at the bop with a second year PPEist, on whom she'd had her eye for quite a while before Fin[d]ally making her move.

The bop was the crime scene of many a drunken scramble, as huge numbers seemed keen to get a share of the action. One law fresher was clearly in a Pulling-mood as she made a Harty effort with a fellow fresher — I doubt he was feeling too Chrisp the next day! And one fresher mathmo seemed to have a Burning desire to take a Selfeie with another lady — I wonder if she gave him 'Ed?? It wasn't just freshers who were getting together at the bop, as there was a bit of cross-year action: you always have to acknowledge the Maryvelous effort involved here. An English student seemed to want to take his love of Tomes outside the library, in choosing a fresher he could Read like a B[r]ooke!

MeanWill, a pair of freshers were seen covering each other in Hick-eys (okay, I'm probably fabricating this, but that pun was just too easy, and sometimes, your Hu[m]bble duck just has to Nicki every opportunity I can get!). And one pair of freshers seemed like they almost used the chat up line 'there's chemistry in our biology so let's get physical' – never was a more Rich mine of subject combinations presented to me! I would Bet-aneything that it did not require any -force to bring this Coople together.

My next story is actually a repeat – but of an event the first instance of which I was unable to report in a previous column because I genuinely could not think of an appropriate pun. However, as one PPE-ist involved Iss a regular in my anna Is of romance, I will give it my best shot. Ond it seems to be the nOrm that this gentleman also features, the tall lawyer may have tried in Vane to avoyd my gaze in the past, but nothing really escapes my Nietice! (Phew, that was tough – hope it made sense!).



### ABC REFGHIJKL MNOPOR STUV WXYZ

Each number represents a different letter of the alphabet. Work out which number stands for which letter to complete the crossword. You 've been given 2 words to get you started. When you've cracked the code fill in the answer in the boxes below.

First correct solution to melissa.russon@worc.ox.ac.uk wins a chocolate prize.

Puzzle from puzzlexperts.com.



At the end of this term, we will be holding our annual charity auction in the bar to raise money for our 4 amazing charities (Against Malaria Foundation, OxPAT, Anthony Nolan and Helen and Douglas House). The event is always a great night, and this year it is going to be better than ever!

The auction strongly relies on donations from members of the JCR, so your task for this week is to think about what you could do to donate to the auction - do you have a special talent? Are you open

to embarrassment? In previous years students have donated everything from all expenses paid prelashes to carrying someone's tesco shopping for a term. The possibilities are endless! Please let me know if there is any way that you could support the auction (email me at jen-

nifer.paisley@worc.ox.ac.uk).
Charity Love xxxx

# Introducing - Wo



NAME: Elle Pfeffer

FROM: Johns Hopkins

SUBJECT:

FAVOURITE ICE CREAM FLAVOUR:

Mint Choc Chip



NAME: Danny Semelsberger

FROM: Kenyon College

SUBJECT: Philosophy

RANDOM FACT: Pop music junkie



NAME: Səm Zhəng

FROM: Un<u>iversity of Minnesot</u>z

SUBJECT:

FAVOURITE WORD:



Name: Katie Quinn

FROM: Johns Hopkins

SUBJECT:

MY SUPERPOWER WOULD BE:

Teleportation (if it includes flying)



NAME: Shaoting Qin

FROM: Bowdoin College

SUBJECT: <u>Politics and Economics</u>

BORN IN: Germany

(and lived there till I was six)



NAME: Emefa Agawu

FROM: Yale

SUBJECT: Political Sciences

RANDOM FACT: Received 3 copies

of Mamma Mia one Christmas

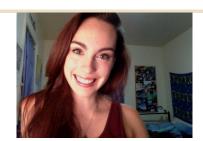
## ESTER'S NEW JYASII



NAME: Kelsey Champagne
FROM: Johns Hopkins

SUBJECT: French and English

FAVOURITE MOVIE: The Lion King



Name: Sam Harris

FROM: St Michael's College (Vermont)

SUBJECT: Classics

RANDOM FACT: Would be interested

in having a pet cow\*.

\*until recently, Vermont had more cows than people



Name: Matt Haake

FROM: Princeton

SUBJECT: Computer Science

CLAIM TO FAME: Was on the Today

show as part of a percussion group



NAME: Georgía Hertz

FROM: <u>College od Charleston</u>

SUBJECT: <u>History and English</u>

**SKILL:** <u>Plays 7 instruments</u>



NAME: <u>Madeline Holland</u>

FROM: Harvard

SUBJECT: English and History

DREAM HOLIDAY DESTINATION:

South East Asia



NAME: Rebecca Haynes

FROM: Princeton

SUBJECT: Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

**RANDOM FACT:** Once drove an ATV

through a river in Costa Rica

Welcome back Worcester! (Or just welcome for the new JYAs!) I hope the Christmas vac treated you well and we're not too festively plump, we have to maintain our reputation as the most attractive college you know. Not too much happening around Oxford in the near future but Worcester Arts Week is right around the corner... Here's what's on:

Dan le Sac vs Scroobius Pip, O2 Academy (30/01)

Fairport Convention, St John the Evangelist Church (04/02)

Russian State Ballet: Swan Lake, New Theatre (10-11/02)

Arts week is coming up in 3rd week, there's a bunch of stuff you can get involved in whether you fancy yourself as a bit of a Picasso, or even if you have about as much creativity as whoever decides to play Animals by Martin Garrix about 27 times a night at Wahoo [I love Wahoo really]. We've got Art and Photography competitions coming up, no theme, just enter whatever you want and you could win prizes like afternoon tea for two at the Randolph (oooooh...) and have your piece published in the next Woosta Source. There may still be a chance to get tickets for the Book of Mormon trip, gimme a buzz if you wanna be in on that. Loads more events on the term card too.

Perhaps most importantly though is Football Cuppers Quarter-Final at Uni Parks this Friday. With the help of Rupert Murduck Worcester 3rds have defied all the odds to reach this stage of the competition. The 3rds haven't lost a game in 3 months and go into the clash with Regent's brimming with confidence and flair boots. Get down to support them and witness football in its true art form. This Is Cuppers.

Good morning, and in case I don't see ya, good afternoon, good evening, and good night! -The Truman Show

P Giddy xoxo



ERSHIL or CONTRADERSHI



Seeing as we've only been back at Worcester for a couple of weeks now, there hasn't really been much going on for me to write about so I've resorted to trawling back through the Varsity trip, something

from the end of last term and even some current affairs. Plus, we've got a bonus picture round. Now if that can't brighten up these gloomy days, I don't know what will.

Waking up on the final night of Varsity on an abandoned coach at 4 am with only a t-shirt and jeans on and having to walk the 15 min back to the room in -20°C with only a single scavenged x-small woman's ski glove being swapped from hand to hand to stay warm – Bleakly Contradershil

Linking an unwitting friend's Facebook page to twitter, allowing you to surprise them with a series of status updates weeks later out of the blue – Ingeniously Dershil

The most productive achievement of the vacation being climbing to the top of your fantasy football league – Lazily Dershil

That Justin Bieber's arrest has been more prominent in the news than the brutal riots in Ukraine – Pathetically Contradershil

Mixing milkshakes, margaritas and mojitos in a new blender – Mijitily Dershil

Accidentally crashing a Italian/Spanish/European language class and then being told off for swearing when I realise my mistake – Literarily Contradershil

Now for the bonus picture round!



Worcester Varsity Trip rep and professional ski instructor Patrick Gildersleve being caught in a compromising situation on the slopes – Candidly Contradershil

You stay classy Worcester, I'm Dershil Shah?



HeyHo my cheeky little chestnuts. Welcome to 2k14 b\*tches. Those of you who were dreaming of a White Christmas will have been sorely disappointed that the crazy mother-flooding weather went Day-After-Tomorrow on our asses. Remember that bit at the beginning of the film when the weather is acting funky and the government is like "no big deal" but it turns out they should've listened to Dennis Quaid because everyone gets frozen solid/ tetanus/ eaten by wolves...ring any bells? Within this 'could-global-warming-destroy-earth' plot niche, Hollywood Blockbuster Father-and-son dream team Will and Jaden Smith have recently launched their support for the Sky Rainforest Rescue conservation charity off the back of their latest film 'After Earth', set post-environmental cataclysm. Worcester JCR has followed suit and is now also supporting Sky Rainforest rescue, so we

are doing our bit to combat the de-

forestation of the Amazon!

On a more light-hearted note:
Why did the turtle cross the road?
Habitat Destruction. (I lied)



There are 7 beautiful species of turtle found in UK waters, all of which are endangered or critically endangered. The British Marine conservation Society runs beach clean-up programmes, satellite turtle-tracking initiatives and fights for trawler-alternative fishing methods that reduce turtle bycatch, all in the UK. In aid of this worthy cause, we have a VERY special new arrival to the JCR family...Worcester has adopted a UK marine turtle! Check out the legit adoption certificate on the green board in cloisters. The task now falls upon YOU to name it. (Puns encouraged, profanities frowned-upon. Dems the rules.) Email/ Facebook me by 1st March- the winner will be announced at the 'environMENTAL shamrock-and-roll night' in 7th week, and you will also receive the 'adorable plushy turtle toy' that came with the adoption pack.

More exciting news: There is now an opening for the position of Head of the Edible Garden. This involves coordinating when the team gets together to do a bit of gardening and communicating with Simon Bagnall in overseeing projects and plans for the garden. You will also get to go to the Harvest formal in Michaelmas to enjoy the fruits of your labour (pun. in. tended). Email me with any questions or to apply.

Stay Grassy,

## Worcester Sport

all sport compiled by Sports Rep Robbie Heywood

#### **Highlights From Week 1 & Pre-Term:**

- Dominant men's hockey beat Oriel 7-0 with 5 goals for McWilliam (top right).
- Worcester inter-college darts competition kicked off.
- Worcester mixed badminton beat St Hilda's 6-0.
- Worcester girls darts team beat Pembroke 8-4.
- Worcester cuppers ski team unluckily knocked out by eventual winners (bottom right)
- Rain is terrible for sports highlights





#### Whose Faces is Warped?



#### True or False?

- 1. The largest break in snooker is 147.
- 2. The largest checkout in darts is 160.
- 3. American football was invented in England.
- 4. Long-jumper Jade Johnson was allergic to sand
- 5. Men's shotputs weigh 7.26kg

Warped Faces: Andrew Murray

True or False: 1.T, 2.F, 3.F, 4.T, 5.F

:syewsnA

## On The Sport

**Rob Moss** 



Rai Patel

**Ex-3rds Captain** 

Describe yourself in 3 words

3rds! 3rds! 3rds!

Snorkelling in the lake

Co-captaining the Proudest sporting mo-3rds (to league relegament tion...)

My surname sounds like Messi

What are your sporting strengths?

Height

Slowest pint time ("Moss minute")

What are your sporting weaknesses

Width

Either Raj Patel or Maria Sharapova (they're pretty similar)

ice.

**Sporting crush** 

Lydia Sinclair - what a woman

How much does a polar bear weigh? Just Sporting chat-up line enough to break the

I won't give you a yellow card if you take your shirt off