From the Warden

As I begin to write this piece, I look beyond my computer screen towards the Chapel, the view dominated by the seasonal fall of leaves from the beautiful copper beech in Pusey Quad. Perhaps that establishes an apt metaphor for what will be the last introduction I contribute to The Keble Review.

Unsurprisingly, I shall be very sorry to relinquish occupation of the Lodgings and to depart from this wonderful institution in the summer of 2022, but I shall do so knowing that the Governing Body has elected an outstanding successor and that my twelve eventful and very enjoyable years in the role will have seen the College and our community develop in all sorts of positive ways. Those developments constitute a topic for another occasion. More immediately, the current academic year offers plenty of challenges especially in the context of bringing everyone back to living and working on site, albeit in a context in which Covid continues to require some significant constraints and adjustments. And, as in many other sectors, some of those adjustments may well become permanent, in terms of our behaviours and approaches, for example, different patterns of employment and the continuing use of video-conferencing technology to facilitate more efficient and sustainable models of engagement.

I, for one, will not lament the eventual demise of regular lateral flow testing, although at present it remains a vital element of our precautions which we are strongly encouraging, both for those living and working here and for visitors. So is an emphasis on good ventilation which has led to tutorials taking place in the larger public rooms rather than in the relatively confined spaces of many Fellows’ studies, to larger gatherings often taking place in a temporary marquee in Newman Quad, made possible first by the KA, then by a donation from an alumnus, and to everyone accepting that open windows and draughts are welcome sensations rather than the undesirable consequences of a Victorian estate.

The most important general point I would make is that notwithstanding those measures it is gratifying that our undergraduate and graduate students can again experience Keble in the ways they would have expected, in terms of social interaction and the availability of the library, hall, chapel, common rooms and so on—which are central to individuals’ enjoyment of the Parks Road site and the H B Allen Centre. That is so in substantial part because we have an exceptional team of College officers and members of the non-academic staff who have made it possible. While such a sentiment may have a vaudeville air to it, I want to take this opportunity to say to the widest possible Keble audience how very fortunate we are in that group of people. They work immensely hard by any standard and their commitment invites only admiration.

Looking ahead, I might ask what is the most significant among the myriad challenges facing the College and University; I would identify one in particular which needs constant attention. All of us have witnessed in one way or another a decline in the civility of public discourse, whether in social media fora or elsewhere. I have characterised this previously as a feature of the age of rage in which firm judgements are reached too quickly, without taking account of the possibility that an alternative point of view might have some validity, and then expressed in terms which are too dogmatic and often threatening. I’m glad to say that this infection has not been as visible in the Keble circles I inhabit, but my single greatest fear for the future is that intolerance towards those who hold different opinions, whether on the potentially existential global issues of the day or on contested aspects of equity and identity, will diminish the resilience of universities as places in which ideas can be freely articulated and robustly challenged. Whatever our personal beliefs, John Keble would surely hope that we will all be given grace to listen well.

Sir Jonathan Phillips
Warden

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News from Keble

New Access and Outreach Officer

The College would like to welcome Keble’s new Access and Outreach Officer, India Collins-Davies (LMH 2012). India, who completed a BA in Classics and English at LMH and is herself a first generation university graduate, coordinates the College’s Outreach programme to attract, support and encourage applicants to Keble and to Oxford from as diverse a range of backgrounds as possible.

Alongside Outreach Fellow Dr Fotini Dimitrouli (2015), India works with students, teachers, and parents to help demystify Oxford, raise aspirations, and support underrepresented and otherwise disadvantaged groups through the application process. Most of this work is centred on state schools and colleges in Keble’s West Midlands link areas, and also on partnerships with external organisations such as the Access Project and The Brilliant Club.

ICU Dinner

The Keble Dining Hall has been the setting for many celebratory occasions over its 151 year history, but on 3 September 2021 the College was able to share in a particularly special evening.

As a ‘thank you’ after many gruelling months at the front line of the pandemic, Andrew Chadwick (Medicine 2008), Keble alumnus and intensive care consultant at the John Radcliffe Hospital, invited the JR’s ICU nurses and junior doctors for a special dinner in Hall. The evening was a resounding success, with over 100 guests in attendance, including fellow Keble alumnus and junior doctors for a special dinner in Hall. The evening was a resounding success, with over 100 guests in attendance, including fellow Keble alumnus and intensive care consultant at the John Radcliffe Hospital, Andrew Chadwick (Medicine 2008), and the Diversity and Inclusion Team Lead at the Oxford AI Society.

Amanda Davies (LMH 2012) is centred on state schools and colleges in Keble’s West Midlands link areas, and also on partnerships with external organisations such as the Access Project and The Brilliant Club.

OXFO Entrepreneurial Fellows

Two Keble students have been selected by The Oxford Foundry (OXFO) for its inaugural Entrepreneurial Fellowships. OXFO, a centre for entrepreneurial growth at the University, hopes that the initiative will encourage more people from underrepresented Black, Asian, and Minority Ethnic backgrounds to join senior leadership positions within business, start-ups, and venture capital.

Daniel Goh (2019) came to Keble from Singapore to study for an MEng in Engineering Science, while Roxana Akhmetova (2019) is currently undertaking a DPhil in Migration Studies. She is also the Keble MCR Equality and Diversity Officer, and the Diversity and Inclusion Team Lead at the Oxford AI Society.

As part of their Fellowship, Daniel and Roxana undertook eight-week online summer placements with high-growth start-ups from the Oxford Foundry’s portfolio of accelerated businesses. The start-ups are tackling world-scale problems including climate change, healthcare equity, and cybersecurity.

KA Report: Internship at the International Energy Agency

In the summer of 2021, I completed an internship at the International Energy Agency (IEA) in Paris, France. I worked in the Carbon Capture, Utilisation and Storage (CCUS) team and reported on policy options available to increase CCUS deployment around the world.

I investigated the impact of including CCUS in international trading mechanisms such as Article 6 of the Paris Agreement and provided recommendations on further work required in this area. This is quite a complex topic, and I was able to collaborate with experts from the World Bank, Clean Energy Ministerial, IEA Greenhouse Gas Programme, and members from energy departments around the world. This was a very rewarding internship and directly related to my studies, MSc Energy Systems followed by Master of Public Policy (MPP).

The KA Grant helped make it possible to complete this internship in Paris which made the experience incredibly enjoyable. I was able to work from the office which had a view of the Eiffel Tower and learn from my colleagues working alongside me.

On the weekends and evenings, I was able to explore Paris, practise my French, and eat lots of delicious French food. This experience was both professionally and personally rewarding and I am very grateful for the support I received from the Keble Association for this internship.

Daniel Wilson, Geography 2020

Rare Rising Star

Congratulations to Keble graduate student Chukwuekwa Godwin Nwangele (2020), who was selected as one of this year’s Rare Rising Stars. The award, launched by Rare Recruitment in 2009, celebrates the UK’s top Black African and Caribbean-descent university students.

Emeka came to Keble in 2020 as a Rhodes scholar in order to study for an MSc in Energy Systems and is currently pursuing a DPhil in Engineering Science.

More information about Rare Rising Stars is available on the Rare Recruitment website.

From the KA

While demand for Keble Association (KA) grants has remained suppressed over the last academic year due to the ongoing impacts of COVID, especially on international travel, we have nonetheless continued to support a variety of projects undertaken by Keble students in the areas of study, travel, arts and internships. Thanks to the regular giving of alumni the Grants Sub-Committee agreed to fund attendances at conferences, language courses; continued our standing support of Arts Week in Hilary term; and a number of internships.

Given the ongoing reduced demand on our budget from grant applications, the KA Executive Committee agreed in February to make a further contribution to the College to support the retention of the marquees erected on Newman Quad. It was felt this was consistent with our mission of enhancing the student experience, enabling current Keble students to experience more of the rhythm of student life which would be familiar to so many of us.

Our thoughts have once again turned to the London Dinner due to be held on 5 February 2022, returning to the Lansdowne Club. We look forward to seeing you again in person for the first time in two years. Do look out for booking information in due course should you be interested in attending.

While the pandemic continues to exert noticeable influence on the grant giving role of the KA, what has not changed is the appreciation expressed by grant recipients in their submitted reports, and the extent to which they are indebted to the generosity of trustees who make our valuable contributions possible.
Introducing the next Warden

Sir Michael Jacobs

Michael Jacobs is an Infectious Diseases specialist at the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust. He joins Keble as its next Warden in MT 2022.

We are pleased to announce the appointment of Keble’s next Warden, Dr Sir Michael Jacobs. He will succeed current Warden Sir Jonathan Phillips from MT 2022.

Michael Jacobs said, “I am deeply-honoured to have been elected as the next Warden of Keble College. I work with an exceptionally talented, dedicated and principled team at the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust who have made incredible things happen in healthcare. I am thrilled to be joining a similar team in the higher education sector who continue to build on the proud and distinctive history of Keble College. The College was founded to broaden the social depth of the student body and I feel extremely privileged to be joining an outstanding place to work and study that is determinedly excellent, progressive, socially responsible and compassionate.”

Current Warden Sir Jonathan Phillips commented, “I am really delighted that Michael Jacobs has been chosen to succeed me as Warden of Keble. He will bring great energy and enthusiasm to the role and his wide-ranging experience and distinction as a physician make him an ideal person to take our whole community forward in developing this wonderful institution.”

Michael Jacobs is an Infectious Diseases specialist at the Royal Free London NHS Foundation Trust. He studied medicine at St John’s College, Oxford and St Bartholomew’s Hospital Medical School and then trained as a physician in General Medicine and Infectious Diseases in London and Cambridge. While training, he was awarded a Wellcome Research Training Fellowship and completed a PhD in Molecular Virology at Imperial College London.

After completing clinical training, he was awarded a Wellcome Advanced Fellowship for postdoctoral research. He was subsequently appointed as Consultant in Infectious Diseases at the Royal Free Hospital and later as Clinical Director of Infection, helping to establish an internationally recognised centre of excellence. His main clinical and research interests are the most serious viral infections and medical countermeasures to combat them. He also has a major interest in medical education and has had several leadership roles in postgraduate training programmes and examinations.

Two major events have marked his career. In 2014-15, an unprecedented outbreak of Ebola affected Sierra Leone, Guinea and Liberia. He worked at the centre of the UK response to the West Africa Ebola outbreak and led the clinical team that treated Ebola patients in the UK. In 2019, the same team treated some of the first COVID-19 patients in the UK and continues to respond to the evolving pandemic.

He has participated in and chaired numerous national and international advisory and guideline committees on dangerous viral infections and served as NHS England Programme Director for High Consequence Infectious Diseases. He is currently working extensively on UK and WHO programmes on vaccines and therapeutics for COVID-19. In 2016, he was knighted for services to the prevention and treatment of infectious diseases.

Visiting Fellowships

Keble College has launched a programme of Visiting Fellowships to coincide with the College’s 150th anniversary in 2020, with Dr Sherine El Taraboulsi-McCarthy and Dr Rod Dacombe elected to Fellowships in 2021. The Fellowships are aimed not just at current academics, but also at individuals in public life—including the arts, business and government—who are in a position to take advantage of the opportunities offered by an Oxford college, and who can add something distinctive to its academic life.

The Fellows, who will have already demonstrated a high level of achievement appropriate to their fields of research or public life and to their stage of career, may stay at Keble for periods of between three and six months. During this time they are entitled to membership of the Senior Common Room, accommodation in a two-room apartment in The H B Allen Centre, and meals.

In return, Visiting Fellows participate in the intellectual life of the College and the University through, for example public lectures, seminars and workshops. There is no pre-determined requirement, and the College is open to ideas about how the Fellows may make a contribution.

The Fellows are encouraged to engage with the College’s academics, graduates and undergraduates, with a particular emphasis on including non-specialists. The accent is on the sharing of ideas across boundaries, whether they be between disciplines or, more generally, between academia and other fields of public life, including business.

The closing date for the next round of Fellowships is 12 noon 11 February 2022. More information is available on the Keble College website.
Jurisprudence at Keble

Law is and has long been a major part of the College’s life. The first lecturer in the subject, John Charles Wilson, was appointed in 1873, and the College’s records suggest that the first law graduate was Edgar Clement Dumbleton, who took his degree in 1876. The undergraduate course has doubtlessly evolved very significantly during the last 150 years, but in living memory changes to the programme have been relatively modest. In recent decades, the most important developments include a substantial re-orientation of the course in Roman private law, the introduction of a compulsory legal research and moooting skills course and the use of extended essays as a form of summative assessment of certain papers. As well as having a substantial body of undergraduate law students (eight undergraduates law students are usually admitted per year), the College has a thriving graduate law community. The College has an active Law Society (Harris Society) and an excellent collection of legal materials in its library.

As well as having a substantial body of undergraduate law students ... the College has a thriving graduate law community

Keble’s law fellows are Professor Edwin Peel, who has been at the College since 1994, and Professor James Goudkamp, who was appointed in 2013. Ed’s research concentrates on the law of contract and private international law. Since 2007, he has been responsible for Treitel on Contract, having inherited that work from the leading authority in the field in the common law world, Professor Sir Guenter Treitel QC (hon) FBA. James’s research focuses on tort. He is a co-author of Winfield & Jolowicz on Tort and he has recently also written or edited books on contributory negligence, accident compensation and punishment in private law. The study of jurisprudence at Keble has long been superbly supported by committed lecturers. Recent or current lecturers include Ms Natasha Holcroft-Emmess (BA 2012; BCL 2013) and Ms Sophie Westenra.

Over the course of the last half-century, several of the College’s tutors have emerged as some of the country’s foremost legal scholars. Professor Sir Peter North CBE QC (hon) FBA completed his studies at the College (BA 1959; BCL 1960; DCL 1976) and was a Fellow between 1965 and 1984. He subsequently served as Vice-Chancellor of the University and wrote leading works on, as well as having a substantial body of graduate law students ... the College has a thriving graduate law community

Professor James Edelman was at Keble from 2005 and 2011 and is a Justice of the High Court of Australia. As an academic, his research concerned the law of obligations. Opportunities for graduates of the College’s law courses are wide ranging and careers have been pursued both inside and outside the legal profession. Recent news regarding former members of the College offers some insight as to possible career paths. Dr Joanna Bell, who spent the better part of a decade at Keble as a student (BA 2012; BCL 2013; DPhil 2017) during which time she also served as a lecturer, has recently been elected to a law fellowship at St Edmund Hall, Oxford. In 2019, Justice Edwin Cameron (BA, 1976) retired from the Constitutional Court of South Africa having served on that Court for a remarkable 25 years. In 2020, Mr Mohsin Zaidi (BA 2007) published the bestselling A Dasteful Boy (2020), which is a memoir about growing up as a gay Muslim boy in London. In 2015, Mohsin served at the Supreme Court as a judicial assistant to Lord Wilson and Lord Sumption and now practises as a barrister. Mr Ali Malek QC (BA 1977; BCL 1978), who is joint head of 3 Verulam Buildings, has been elected Treasurer of Gray’s Inn for 2021–2022. Ms Sophie Hepburn (BA 2017; BCL 2019) was recently a judicial assistant to the Rt Hon Sir Julian Flaux PC, the Chancellor of the High Court of England and Wales, and is currently undertaking pupillage. Mr Sebastian Bates (BA 2017) clerked for Justice Johan Froneman of the Constitutional Court of South Africa in 2017. He is also presently embarking on pupillage.

The pandemic inevitably limited the law and law-related functions that the College has been able to arrange. However, significant events undertaken shortly prior to the onset of the pandemic included the delivery of the Harris Society’s Annual Lecture in 2017 by Lord Sumption who spoke to a paper entitled A Question of Taste: The Supreme Court and Interpretation of Contracts. Also in 2017, the Harris Society hosted a lecture by the Hon Charles N Brower on the subject of T aste: The Supreme Court and Interpretation of Contracts. Also in 2017, the Harris Society hosted a lecture by the Hon Charles N Brower on the subject of

Professor Edwin Peel
Chatham House Fellow and Tutor in Law

Professor James Goudkamp
Fellow and Tutor in Law

Roger Lui Scholar in Law

William Wong (2021) shared the Vinerian Scholarship (Proxime Accessit) for the second–best performance in the Bachelor of Civil Law in a cohort of c170 students.

William would not have been able to study at Oxford without the Roger Lui Scholarship. After his exceptional performance in Law at Keble, he was admitted to the Master of Laws programme at Harvard Law School. After completing his studies, William intends to work as a barrister in Hong Kong.

“Keble was both an intellectual and personal home for me. Rather than channeling all my efforts towards academic success, I was encouraged to contribute more broadly towards university life; that institutional outlook gave me confidence, and it gave me a unique opportunity and platform to help other students. If Oxford can be competitive, demanding and—at times—isolating, Keble only ever felt both welcoming and supportive. I am so grateful to the College—to its students, tutors and College staff—for all the support that I received throughout the year that I spent as a graduate student.”

William Wong
BCL 2021
2020/21 Roger Lui Scholar in Law
I am currently particularly fascinated by the community of bacteria that inhabit our intestines, our so-called gut microbiome. The mammalian gut teems with an incredibly dense and diverse community of microbes, which are thought to equal or even slightly outnumber our own cells. Microbiome science is a young and exciting area of biology, as knowledge about these microbial communities is changing fast. The field took off around 2005, when “next-generation” DNA sequencing methods became widely available. For the first time one could take a biological sample (like gut contents), and relatively cheaply uncover the entire catalogue of microorganisms it contained, irrespective of whether they were culturable. This development, which occurred just as I was finishing my DPhil, shone a bright light on a large amount of “microbial dark matter” that we simply couldn’t detect before.

In the years since, studies in lab mice continue to reveal just how much “microbial dark matter” that we simply couldn’t detect before, but what about in the real world, outside the lab? What shapes the gut microbiome out there, and what impact do these microbial communities have on their host in natural settings? The short answer is that we don’t yet know. And this is what brings me and my group to Skokholm. We are using wild mice to tackle these questions, capitalising on the fact that mice are the major animal model in biology, for which there are many transferable research tools and knowledge we can make use of. We come to an island as it provides a simple, natural laboratory in which to tackle these questions, away from the pest control and other complicating factors that affect mouse populations on the mainland. So far, our forays into the wild chasing mice and collecting their poo (yes, field biology is glamorous?) have turned up some intriguing findings. We can see that wild mouse microbiomes show dramatic seasonal fluctuations, unlike industrialised humans or lab mice. We are now starting to explore whether such fluctuations might actually help mice adapt to seasonally changing conditions. We have also found the gut microbiome to be strongly shaped by social interactions, by tracking which mice are observed together and how often, we can see that their microbial communities have a large influence on what microbes they carry, probably because many microbes in the mammalian gut are transferred by social contact.

Dr Sarah Knowles, Tutorial Fellow in Zoology, talks about her work studying the microbes living on all animals, and how they shape our lives.
In the mid-nineteenth century, two stars in the constellation of Carina were approaching one another. As they orbited each other, they progressed losing energy, their orbit narrowing, and eventually they merged. This merger caused a giant eruption, releasing a huge amount of energy and angular momentum, and for a brief period this new star, named Eta Carinae, shone so brightly that it became the second brightest star in the sky. The spectacle of Eta Carinae’s eruption had mostly faded about two decades later, around about the time Keble College took shape.

At that time, the brightnesses of stars were recorded in hierarchical lists, with vertical strokes indicating the relative brightnesses between any two. Fast forward 150 years and astrophysicists are still enthralled by the massive star system Eta Carinae. Its ongoing dynamical interactions and conditions are key to unravelling the evolution of the most massive and luminous stars in the Universe. Fortunately, we are no longer reliant on photopic vision; but rather, global networks of robotic observatories.

During my doctorate at the Department of Physics, I have been working as part of the Global Jet Watch, a project led by Professor Katherine Blundell. The Global Jet Watch is a network of five observatories situated in South Africa, Chile, eastern Australia, Western Australia, and India. The observatories are mostly located in residential schools, at which the girls and boys are encouraged to participate in using the telescopes. For many of these pupils, the Global Jet Watch provides their first exposure to hands-on physics and astronomy. The telescopes are invaluable resources for promoting their interest in both science and engineering, and we hope that the legacy of our project will not just lie in the astrophysical results, but in inspiring a new generation of scientists.

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At nightfall, after local bedtime at each Global Jet Watch observatory, we operate the telescopes by remote control from the headquarters at the University of Oxford, where we gather our precious scientific data. By having a network of observatories separated in longitude, we are able to conduct round-the-clock observations. As the earth rotates, we are able to view a particular astrophysical object continually, each observatory taking over from the previous, as they set in turn beyond the viewing horizon. For stellar systems that evolve rapidly in time, these observations are critical to modelling the underlying astrophysics.

The evolutionary tracks of stars are deterministically linked to their masses. In general, stars lose mass during their lifetimes through a stellar wind. Unlike the winds we are accustomed to on Earth, these stellar winds are ferocious flows of plasma driven outwards by intense star light. Additionally, many stellar systems consist of more than one star in orbit about another. The stellar components in these binary or multiple-star systems inevitably interact, exchanging mass, or even merging, just as Eta Carinae did all those years ago. Characterising the orbits and outflows of stellar systems is therefore vital to understanding them.

So how do we decode these stellar orbits and outflows from only point sources of light in the sky as viewed from Earth? When a photon—a quantum of light—is radiated from a star, it can travel indefinitely across the vast expanse of space. Photons like these start their journeys as a product of nuclear fusion in the cores of stars, diffusing outwards in a random walk, until the optical pathway ahead becomes sufficiently rarefied, and escape is possible. Key to astrophysics is that these photons encode information about the conditions from their final interaction point with the star. In this way, we are able to probe the physics of these stellar laboratories from millions and billions of light years away. Our telescopes intercept photons and measure their distributions in wavelength, known as spectroscopy. Spectroscopy enables us to analyse the velocities, temperatures, densities, and which elements across the periodic table are present in these systems.

Eta Carinae is a particularly fascinating case study owing to it being situated relatively close by in our own Galaxy and having a complex history of exceedingly energetic and eruptive events. Today it shines 6 million times brighter than the Sun and is driving one of the strongest stellar winds ever measured. This powerful wind results in a rate of losing mass equivalent to 333 Earth masses being blown away every year. This is happening at a speed of 420 kilometers per second, which is about 73,000 times faster than the Keble Headship crew as they raced up the Isis in 2019. Through utilising the unique data streams from the Global Jet Watch observatories, I have formulated novel models for inferring the orbital motion of Eta Carinae in the presence of these extreme outflows. The physical and statistical techniques developed for my thesis have led to a more accurate and consistent picture of many of the largest and most luminous stars in the Universe.

David Grant
DPhil Astrophysics 2013

Above: the top end of the telescope at the Chile school observatory, GJW-CL. Left: the nebula surrounding Eta Carinae, captured by the Global Jet Watch observatory in Western Australia, GJW-WA.

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Observing the Stars

DPhil candidate David Grant writes about the Global Jet Watch project and how it’s helping scientists learn more about the Universe, while exposing school pupils to hands-on physics and astronomy.
H aving become the Archivist and Records Manager at the start of January 2021, I find that I am becoming increasingly familiar with the College and its records. Archives are constantly growing, through donations as well as internal transfers. I have now reached the point where I have received sufficient new accessions to be able to reflect on a few highlights from them.

In my interview for this post, I was asked what the most important records in the archives might be. I was too nervous to remember my exact answer but my first thoughts were of admissions registers, deeds, statutes, minutes, accounts and annual reports. These reflect who was here, what resources were available, what was decided, what was meant to be done and what was actually done.

If asked what the collection highlights might be, I would probably have thought of 'freshers' photographs, Butterfield's wonderful architectural drawings and some of the personal papers, including John Keble's letters, poems and sermons.

Ephemeral documents within Keble's archives show what makes the College unique, as well as bringing to life the experiences of its members.

As I reflect on the interview, I slightly regret making what I suspect is a common mistake—disregarding ephemera. I had mentioned the exhibitions I had put on in my previous post, the online outreach and my efforts to engage with clubs and societies and show them the value of their records (often in the hope they may deposit them in the archives). Despite ephemera being at the core of all of these activities, the term 'ephemera' was at the back of my mind when asked about 'important' records.

Ephemeral documents within Keble's archives show what makes the College unique, as well as bringing to life the experiences of its members, beyond the details of their accommodation, dining, sporting results and academic achievements. They show how members really lived, not least what brought them joy and entertainment. In the case of the JCR cartoon book, some of which appear in the official College records alone. As well as including terminal payment receipts from Keble and one Buttery receipt which included a £2 fine, this bundle includes receipts for things like books and clothes (including a dress jacket, a 'pyjama suit', shirts and collars, and a zephyr). There are several London receipts including ones for various departments of the Army & Navy Co-operative Society store (subsequently House of Fraser) on Victoria St. Receipts from B H Blackwell, Arthur Shepherd and H W Wilton Woodward in Oxford give more of a sense of continuity. Such details give a more vivid picture of the life of a student at the College more than a century ago. That said, the nature of the receipts, along with the impressive bookplates in this bundle and his entry in the Register of Admissions, suggest that Macfarlane-Grieve may not have been representative of his wider cohort or lived the kind of austere life expected of Keble's early students.

For more details about Alwyn Ronald Macfarlane-Grieve (1908) or changes in the architecture where the photograph was taken.

In March, I received three postcards of Keble College and one showing Acland House. The black and white image of the Acland Hospital is significant because that part of the building has now been replaced by the H B Allen Centre. One colour postcard is dated July 1910 and shows Keble College from the other side of Parks Road, with a meandering path leading through the grass in front of the Museum of Natural History.

A collection of receipts donated to the archives in May reveal more details about Alwyn Ronald Macfarlane-Grieve (1908) than can be found in the official College records alone. As well as including terminal payment receipts from Keble and one Buttery receipt which included a £2 fine, this bundle includes receipts for things like books and clothes (including a dress jacket, a 'pyjama suit', shirts and collars, and a zephyr). There are several London receipts including ones for various departments of the Army & Navy Co-operative Society store (subsequently House of Fraser) on Victoria St. Receipts from B H Blackwell, Arthur Shepherd and H W Wilton Woodward in Oxford give more of a sense of continuity. Such details give a more vivid picture of the life of a student at the College more than a century ago. That said, the nature of the receipts, along with the impressive bookplates in this bundle and his entry in the Register of Admissions, suggest that Macfarlane-Grieve may not have been representative of his wider cohort or lived the kind of austere life expected of Keble's early students.

For more details about Alwyn Ronald Macfarlane-Grieve, please see his entry in the Roll of Honour and a feature on the collection on the Keble Heritage microsite.

If you have any questions about the archives or have any items (including ephemera) which you would consider donating to the archives, please contact archivist@keble.ox.ac.uk.

Peter Monteith
Archivist and Records Manager
The Taimaka Project

Alumnus Parth Ahya (2017) talks about founding the Taimaka Project, which is helping Nigerian farmers avert seasonal hunger.

In June 2018, Parth Ahya (Philosophy and Theology 2017) was on a road well traversed by the modern Keble undergraduate when two experiences changed his life and career path drastically.

First, he read Factfulness by the late Swedish physician Hans Rosling. Poor Economics by Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo, and Development as Freedom by Amartya Sen. These books shed light on a hard truth about the post-industrial world: despite three centuries of unprecedented economic progress, the majority of the world’s (81%) lives on less than $30 in purchasing power/day. “That number—$30—is just about equivalent to the poverty line in high income countries,” said Parth, “and the majority of people (63%) live on less than a third of that.” These books also showed how, by focusing on narrow questions (e.g. how do we reduce maternal mortality?) instead of broad ones (e.g. how do we spur economic growth?), the tools of experimental economics could provide pathways to material progress in poor countries. Still, at this stage, it was all theoretical. After all, what could he do as an under-resourced undergraduate?

A second and profound experience changed Parth’s career trajectory drastically. He met Celine Halloua, then a DPhil in health economics, now the CEO of Local which just raised $30M to develop life-extension drugs for dogs. “I’m still not sure what Celine saw in me,” says Parth, but she invited him to join her in San Francisco for the rest of the summer to help her build a company tackling health inequities in the US. The project ultimately failed, but it didn’t matter. “Celine’s belief in me transformed my sense of agency and ability to do things in the world.”

Parth spent the following year delving deeper into development economics, and searching for some way to apply what he learned in practice. “I set a goal—and it was probably a bit arbitrary—to build something to meaningfully improve the lives of the world’s poorest people by the end of the academic year.” He had a good friend at Keble to help him with that—Ronit Kanwar (Economics 2017), a good friend of mine, to fly out to Nigeria with me. We spent time with Muhammad and his best friend, Abubakar (a practicing doctor in a rural health clinic), learning more about food prices seasonality and its consequences.

The most shaking experience for the team was visiting Abubakar’s cousin in a small village on the outskirts of the main town in Gombe State, Nigeria. “It was the rainy season, when hunger is widespread. We went into his home to meet his family and discovered his daughter had severe acute malnutrition, the worst and most lethal manifestation of hunger in kids under five. “The hardest thing was seeing how this affected Umar, who despite earning well as a doctor, couldn’t support everyone in his large extended family.”

The aforementioned paper by Ted Miguel offered a promising solution: post-harvest credit. The paper starts by asking why farmers sell their crops early when they are well aware that prices will rise considerably. The answer, which the researchers empirically confirm, is liquidity crunches. In simple terms, farmers have too many expenses—school fees, healthcare, harvest costs, etc.—and too little cash. “Providing well-timed credit,” the research finds, results in a net return to farmers of around 30%. Farmers use the loan to cover immediate expenses, save their crops, sell them later, earn more, and (in theory) avoid seasonal hunger.

In the last three years, Parth, Justin, Abubakar, and Muhammad have scaled up the project—called “Taimaka,” which means help in Hausa, the lingua franca in northern Nigeria. They’ve delivered over $152,000 in post-harvest credit to 1,000 families, generating over $50,000 in additional income when people need it most. Demand has been high and feedback positive, but the team isn’t happy with qualitative evidence alone. This year, they are working with researchers from Stanford and Berkeley to run a “randomized evaluation,” similar to what pharmaceutical companies do to verify that drugs work, to verify the impact of their programme. Most striking is Parth and the team’s commitment to cost-effectiveness. “We can always just give people cash, and it turns out from the literature that doing so is really effective,” says Parth, “so our commitment is to shut down any programme which doesn’t meaningfully outperform an unconditional cash transfer in impact per dollar.”

That commitment to outcomes has won Taimaka and Parth a lot of acclaim. Taimaka is a recommended charity by Founders Pledge and recently won a grant from the US Agency for International Development’s Feed the Future programme to scale up their operations. Parth also recently joined Schmidt Futures, the philanthropic initiative of former Google CEO Eric Schmidt, as a consultant. “Bringing things full circle, I was brought on board by Ronit. So, I suppose we are just two Keble grads, trying to make the world a better place.”

Veronika Kovacs
Alumni Relations Manager

Pictured: A farmer and his son in the rainy season. In the rainy season, with crop reserves depleted, rural communities in northeastern Nigeria typically struggle with hunger.
Fundraising Report
2020/21

This time last year we reported the successful completion of the 12-year Anniversary Campaign; the target of £65 million had been achieved despite the onset of the pandemic and the cancellation of many of the celebratory events. We were able to set out the varied impacts of this tremendous and sustained generosity. In contrast 2020/21 has been a period of consolidation in continuing to source much needed support for our students, particularly through the Covid Emergency Hardship Fund which awarded over £45,000 to undergraduates and graduates, predominantly for essential IT equipment to enable them to study online; and preparation for the next stage in the development of the College.

The alumni relations and event programme has been affected by the restrictions of the pandemic but we have learnt how to best combine online and in-person formats, and a benefit of going online has been the increased participation of alumni based overseas. It’s been wonderful to see so many familiar faces on-screen; thank you to all those who have signed-up and joined-in over the last year.

Keble is at a pivotal point—post-pandemic, post-anniversary campaign and with an imminent transition in leadership from Sir Jonathan to Sir Mike (see page 6)—we are committed to building on our recent success, and seek to focus alumni and donor engagement with the core academic objectives of teaching, learning and research.

Although the fabric and facilities have been the primary focus in recent years, people are at the heart of every educational establishment, and Keble is no exception. Through 2020/21 the Talbot Fund adopted the mantra of #KeblePeople. The message resonated strongly with the alumni and in the Trinity Brick we reported on the success of the Digital Campaign which generated £81,280 (including matching funds).

The Keble alumni community of just under 9,500 people is increasingly engaged and supportive. Over half of the alumni have contributed to the Talbot Fund (the College’s annual fund) and nearly a quarter currently make regular donations and are members of the Talbot Society. The generosity of our alumni and friends makes the annual fund one of the most successful in Oxford and provides a dependable and significant income stream of over £1 million each year: in the last 12 months the Talbot Fund provided £1.66m in cash; this is the equivalent of doubling the value of the current endowment.

Funding for fellowships and early career lectureships, increasing our access and outreach initiatives, and enhancing the provision for undergraduate bursaries and graduate scholarships are the central focus as the College moves forward into a new decade. If you haven’t already done so, we hope you will reconnect with your College and help us to sustain this vibrant community.

Donation income 2020/21
Cash received: £2.69m

The Talbot Fund contributed £1.66m of the total cash income in 2020/21.

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The Keble Wall of Donors

On the theme of #KeblePeople, many of our donors choose to leave a message on the Donor Wall on the website; their messages are a combination of first impressions of the College, fond memories and their motivation for making a gift. Alumni and friends support Keble for many different reasons. Explore our donor wall, read some of their stories and perhaps you’ll be inspired to join them. We have included a slice of that wall on the following page, or you can view the whole wall here.

Jenny Tudge (1986)
Director of Development

Joseph Jewell
FAVOURITE KEBLE MEMORY
Roaring in Summer Engine

STUDIED
Engineering Science; 2005

Minerva Lim
I will always be grateful to Keble for providing me with a welcoming, supportive and diverse community in my undergraduate years at Oxford. I feel that Keble has become family; the tutorials I have are now lifelong friends and mentors. The memories I have of living there are unforgettable and it will always remain a place very close to my heart.

STUDIED
History; 2013

Ramesh Chander
WHY I HAVE DONATED
To support the College

STUDIED
Mathematics; 1979

Helena Ingram (Moore)
IT'S LIKE TO THANK KEBLE
Keble offers an inclusive and uplifting environment where individuals can pursue their interests and fulfil their potential. My time at Keble has given me confidence, self-belief, perspective and opportunity—thank you.

STUDIED
Mathematics; 1977

Alessandra Viviani
FIRST KEBLE MEMORY
Asking late at night and finding quite boring students willing to help

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Music; 1905

Roger Lui
FAVOURITE KEBLE MEMORY
Unreal teaching and the chapel service

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Theology; 1963

John Sharp
WHY I HAVE DONATED
To support a new generation of students with access to the kind of Keble has to offer.

STUDIED
Physics; 1957

Caroline Scott
WHY I HAVE DONATED
My mum, Caroline Robert Scott, had a happy few years studying Modern languages (French and German) and Linguistics at Keble. It was a very beautiful and friendly college to be associated with.
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Farewell to...

Professor Angus Hawkins
Fellow by Special Election
(1953–2020)

Angus Hawkins, who died unexpectedly on 31 December 2020 at the age of 67, was not only an acclaimed historian of Victorian politics, but also a gifted tutor and a successful academic administrator, who improved every institution that he worked for. He had studied as an undergraduate at the University of Reading, prior to taking his PhD at the London School of Economics. Here, influenced by the historian John Vincent, Angus devoted himself to the politics of the 1850s. Throughout his career, Angus’s academic interests remained focused on the middle decades of the 19th century, which formed the basis for his finest work, the two-volume Forgotten Prime Minister (DUP, 2007).

In 1992 Angus joined the Department for Continuing Education (OUIDCE) as Deputy Director in charge of International Programmes, and from 2010 he became Director of all of the department’s public-facing programmes of short courses and award and degree programmes. Angus had arrived at OUIDCE shortly after the creation of Kellogg College and held many senior roles within the College, most notably as its longstanding Bursar.

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David Welch
(1930–2020)

His son, Jonathan Welch (1984), writes:

David Welch (Keble 1949) sadly passed away aged 90 on 17 September 2020, following an episode of heart failure, brought on by the loss of his son, Andrew (also Keble, 1981), a few months earlier. There is no question that this loss affected him very deeply.

Almost all of the many testimonials received by the family since he passed away have spoken of his gentleness, the fact that he was both a gentleman, and a gentle man. Behind this gentleness there was also a determined urge to get involved and do good, always without any need for public acknowledgment.

Beyond his working life (mostly as a Chartered Secretary for Kodak) he was a stalwart of the Keble Association, helping raise funds for his Oxford alma mater, where he had spent a sheer three years as a student cycling the lanes of Oxfordshire and gaining a rather nonchalant third class degree—something he was always happy to mock himself for. He gave decades of service to Mill Hill through his chairmanship of the Mill Hill Preservation Society. Later he joined the team of unpaid tour-guides at the British Museum, something he continued right up to 2020.

He was at heart a family man, and a devoted partner to his wife Philippa, with whom he enjoyed 61 years of a blissfully happy marriage, building a life that embraced fun and adventure: years of boating on the Thames on their beloved narrowboat, far-flung cruises, dog-walking. Between them they have made the template of what a life-partnership should be.

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Most recently, Andrew’s work as President of the Douglas Price Society saw him enthusiastically returning to Keble. A gifted speaker, he travelled at the annual dinners, relishing the opportunity to don his maroon velvet jacket and speak with gusto at his much-loved Hall.

Endlessly curious, and relentlessly kind to the end, Andrew Pengelly died at home on 25 March 2021 after a short illness. We miss him.

Andrew Pengelly
President of the Douglas Price Society
(1942–2021)

His daughter, Victoria Fitzgerald (1997), writes:

Coming up to Keble in 1961, Andrew’s ability as an orator was already clear. Initially taking Chemistry, before transferring to Medicine, he loved his time at Oxford. He served as Secretary to the Boat Club, rowed at bow for his and the Keble 1st VIII and was an enthusiastic member of Vincent’s Club. While recollections vary as to the number of hours he put into his academic work, his commitment to the college, and those who were to become his lifelong friends, was unequivocal.

His surgical career began in London. Training under the eminent urologist Richard Turner-Warwick CB, he took up his first Consultant post in Reading, where he would go on to establish the new Department of Urology and, later, become the first’s first Executive Medical Director. As a doctor, his emotional intelligence and sense of compassion were well-recognised and, where appropriate, wit was never far away. His letters to referring doctors were rarely dull—thirty years on, many are still remembered with a wry smile.

Andrew embraced retirement with the same energy he'd put into his work. After running the London marathon, he spent an increasing amount of time pursuing his love of art, gaining a further degree from Winchester. To his 10 grandchildren, he was Herculean. Whether cheerfully chipping up fallen trees in the garden, or vapouring apples with small explosive charges that sat happily amongst the poetry in the many bookshelves at home, life was never dull.

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Full obituaries can be found in The Record, starting on page 42.
Interview

JODI THOMAS
HEAD OF MAINTENANCE

Jodi joined Keble as Maintenance Administrator in 2016, and is now Head of Maintenance.

What is a ‘Head of Maintenance’?
Where to start?! Like the name suggests, I manage the Maintenance Team and we look after both the E B Allen Centre and main Keble site. There are currently seven of us in the team including myself. We are in Keble from 7:30am to 3:30pm Monday to Friday, but there is always someone available in an emergency, 24/7, 365 days a year.

The two main types of maintenance are planned and reactive—we make sure everything functions in the first place and fix it if it goes wrong. Students and staff often only notice us when something goes wrong, but there is so much more that goes on behind the scenes to keep a place like Keble running.

Has your job changed over the years?
I initially joined Keble in 2016 as Estates Administrator, and I’ve been Head of Maintenance since 2019. I’ve had a lot of guidance from Luigi [former Estates Manager], so it was a big change when he left last year. Now I report directly to the Bursar.

There have been lots of changes in the team over the last few years, with people who had years of experience like Luigi and Des Hunt [former Maintenance Assistant] no longer here. But now we probably have the most diverse and young team we’ve ever had, which can be a great plus.

We also have The E B Allen Centre to look after now, and although it’s a new building, it’s surprisingly challenging.

What is a typical day like? Is there such a thing as a typical day!?
No, there’s definitely not a typical day! I can set out with the best of intentions, and then by the end of the day realise I haven’t actually done any of the things that I wanted to do because of all the unexpected jobs we have to deal with.

How did the COVID pandemic impact the Maintenance Team?
In some ways, things didn’t change at all. The buildings still needed to be looked after, so we had to be on site. We weren’t dealing with as many day-to-day maintenance requests, but the empty buildings presented their own set of challenges. So, for example, all the toilets and showers needed to be flushed by a member of the team weekly in order to prevent the build-up of any bacteria in the pipework. That’s nearly 300 loos all flushed every Wednesday for months.

However, there were also some positives—with many of the students and staff away, we had the opportunity to catch up on jobs that would otherwise have been difficult to fit around the normal life of College. One of these was replacing the JCR Bridge which was in much need of repair. Without the closure of College, it would have been difficult to limit access to the JCR for as long as we needed (and make all the noise).

Whilst it was nice getting things done, College is meant to be full, and it’s just not the same without the students.

What achievement in your job are you most proud of?
I’d say it’s definitely the restoration of the Dining Hall. Everyone who worked on that project thought it was very special. It felt like we were part of history—it’s 100 years (and hopefully more!), people will still be able to appreciate what we’ve achieved.

If you could change one thing, what would it be? Honestly, I wouldn’t change anything about the job, even with all of its unpredictability. It’s such a great environment to work in and I have a really good team. We get to see so many parts of Keble that no one else gets to see. Good and bad!

What do you enjoy doing in your spare time?
With two children now at different schools and their various sporting activities, I don’t have any spare time! Maybe taking our dog for a walk—that’s relaxing.

What is the story behind the gnomes outside of the workshop?
Since before my time, there has been a tradition that every member of the maintenance team had a gnome that represented them. I was kindly given a female mermaid gnome when I joined (I’m not sure of the similarity). Things were all well until the gnomes were discovered and since then they have been abducted, returned, ransomed, and even injured, which can be quite distressing for all those involved.

What are the biggest challenges for Maintenance going forward?
I think, like a lot of places, recovery from the pandemic will be hard and we will not be in such a fortunate place as the College may have been in over the last decade. However, we are already planning two projects for 2022: The repairs of the Library stained glass windows and the refurbishment of the Warden’s Lodgings before Sir Michael joins Keble next Michaelmas Term. There is never a dull moment for the Maintenance Team!
## 2022 Events

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| Saturday 22 January | **Harris Society Dinner**  
Keble College  
Booking opens early January |
| Saturday 5 February | **Keble Association London Dinner**  
The Lansdowne Club  
9 Fitzmaurice Place, London W11 5JD  
Booking opens early January |
| 23–26 February | **Keble Early Music Festival**  
Programme can be found [here](#) |
| Thursday 3 March | **Warden’s Court Dinner**  
Senior Common Room, Keble College  
By invitation only |
| Hilary Term | **Entrepreneurs evening**  
Details TBC |
| Hilary Term | **Keble Conversations**  
Details TBC |
| Sunday 24 April | **Tea with the Warden for Finalists and their Parents/Guardians**  
In College at 3pm. Invitations will be sent to all Finalists and their parents/guardians in February |
| Sunday 24 April | **St Mark’s Day Service and Dinner**  
Service in the Chapel from 5.30pm. All welcome. Dinner in Hall by invitation only |
| 16–18 September | **Keble Reunion**  
Open to all alumni with a special focus on years matriculated between 1995 and 2007 |
| Friday 23 September | **1972 50th Anniversary Lunch** |
| Friday 23 September | **Douglas Society and Talbot Society Event and dinner** |

Please note that all events might be cancelled at short notice if COVID regulations change. In these instances, a full refund will be given to all registrants.

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### 2022 Harris Society Dinner

The Warden and the President of the Harris Society would like to invite you to save the date for the next Harris Society Dinner at Keble College on **Saturday 22 January 2022**.

We are pleased to announce that the after-dinner speaker will be Sir Geoffrey Nice QC. One of the most distinguished international human rights lawyers of his generation, Sir Geoffrey worked at the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia—the ICTY—between 1998 and 2006. He led the prosecution of Slobodan Milošević, former President of Serbia. His speech will focus on his current work as the Chairman of the Uyghur Tribunal.

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Reconnecting with Keble

The Alumni and Development Office runs a varied programme of events (now also online where appropriate), often in conjunction with the University, in Oxford, London, other centres in the UK, Europe, the US, and Asia, to engage support for the College and the current student body.

A donor stewardship programme for those contributing in excess of £10,000 now has over 280 members. Those choosing to make a bequest to Keble in their will are eligible for membership of The Douglas Price Society which seeks to promote legacy giving.

If you are interested to find out more about how you can support the College and future generations of Keble students in the way most appropriate to you, please don’t hesitate to get in touch by phoning (01865) 282 308 or e-mailing alumni@keble.ox.ac.uk.