

THE HR TIMES

Department of Veterinary Medicine

February 2016

A big welcome to the Department...

Keli Phillips – Senior Histopathology Technician Claire Willison – Theatre Nurse Diane Oldham – Theatre Assistant Ibrahim Ba – Research Associate, Dr Mark Holmes Group Sarah Drake – Student Veterinary Nurse – Small Animal

A welcome back to

Amy Newman, who has returned from maternity leave

Goodbye to......

Brian Lister, who has retired with all our good wishes after 26 years in the Department Dr Eoin Scanlan Harriet Woolley

Congratulations...

James Hanslow has been successful for the role of Senior Maintenance Supervisor following Brian Lister's retirement. James takes up his new position from 1st February 2016.

Current recruitment

We are currently recruiting for the following roles in the Department:

Equine Ambulatory Veterinarian – 1 Permanent position and 1 fixed term contract

We also have 6 Junior Clinical Training Scholarships in Small Animal Studies advertised for a June or October 2016 start date.

Anyone who is interested in these roles and Scholarships can find out more at http://www.jobs.cam.ac.uk/

Long Service

We would like to say congratulations to Jill Free who will reach 35 years' service with the University on 2nd February 2016.

Upcoming events

Dr Tony Palmer - 90th Birthday Celebrations

We hope to organise a celebration for Dr Palmer's birthday early in the month – more details to follow

Annual Pub Quiz Challenge!

Thursday 11th Feb 2016, 6:30pm, Wilberforce Road Sports Pavilion £10 per person, teams of 6!
All funds raised will go towards equipment for the Clinical Skills Centre.

Artist in Residence





We are delighted to welcome our Artist in Residence John Piper.

John will be spending one year in the Department, to allow him to develop a greater understanding of the surface anatomy of domestic animals.

John, who teaches Art & Design parttime at Loughborough University, has previously worked mostly with large format etchings and photogravure technique. He has most recently developed an interest in expanding out to sculpture, with a particular interest in animal sculptures.

John will be based in the new Surgical Discovery Centre, where he will be focusing on expanding his knowledge of surface anatomy in animals which will help him to produce more anatomically accurate artwork.

The collaboration between John and the Department gives the opportunity to develop a series of creative directions and artworks based on current research interests.

Please take some time to introduce yourself to John over the coming few weeks.

Welcome Lunch for New Starters

Over a year ago, the Department started to organise a "welcome lunch" for new starters, to which they (and their buddies) are invited within the first couple of months of their appointment.

Professor James Wood joins the welcome lunches, and this provides him with a valuable opportunity to meet and chat to all new starters in the Department regardless of their staff category or role within the Department.

This of course also supports networking and engagement opportunities with other new starters and with people whom they may not come into contact with on a day to day basis.

We wanted to share with you a couple of pictures taken from our last welcome lunch (taken at the very start - with all the food still intact!)



Ibrahim Ba with his Buddy Anaid Diaz

After the lunch, we ask people for feedback on the event, in order to review and seek any ideas for improvement, and of course so that we can enjoy reading positive comments. A recent suggestion for a 4 course sit down meal was, sadly, not an option but other than that here are some of the comments we have received so far............

Great to network with other new starters

This was a great opportunity to meet the Head of Department in a relaxed and informal way.

Food was fab!!

Really nice to have my buddy attend the event too

I felt very welcome to the Department