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Dear Fresher,

I am really pleased to be welcoming you to Keble College MCR next term, and congratulations on your acceptance.

The MCR, or Middle Common Room, represents two things. Firstly, it is a physical place within college, with a reading room, kitchen, games room and cellar, which I hope you will consider your home within college. The MCR is used for regularly-organised social events and casual gatherings as well.

Secondly, and more importantly, the MCR is the name given to the postgraduate student body at Keble, of which you are all now members. The JCR (Junior Common Room) consists of the undergraduate students in Keble, and the SCR (Senior Common Room) consists of academic staff - research fellows, professors and others associated with college in this capacity.

With around 250 graduate students, we are one of the largest MCRs within Oxford, and are well known to be one of the most social and inclusive. I hope you will be able to experience the large variety of sporting, social, and welfare activities we offer when you arrive here in the autumn. We have curated a schedule of events to help you settle in and get to know other members of the MCR, for both freshers like yourself as well as veterans of the common room. Throughout Michaelmas (first term) we will be hosting diverse social, cultural and sporting events. Keep an eye on the calendar at: <http://mcr.keble.ox.ac.uk/calendar.html>. You will receive more details of this when you arrive in Keble.

The freshers' handbook is included with your registration material, and also available at: <http://mcr.keble.ox.ac.uk/freshers>. The guide provides (hopefully!) everything you need to know about Keble MCR, the College itself, and more general information about moving to Oxford. We've included information about who are MCR Committee Members are and what they do. If you've got anything you need to discuss or ask about, you should be able to contact the most relevant committee member, or your mentor, who you will be paired up with when you receive your Keble email address, if you haven't heard from them already.

Before I came to Oxford, I didn't anticipate how important the MCR was going to be in my life, and how it has really made my experience of Oxford so much better. I am very grateful to have had the chance to interact with people outside of my own department, and it's been amazing to be a part of a student community in a town that feels like your own.

Looking forward to meeting you all,

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