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Vice-Chancellor's Open Forum

Tuesday 13 February 2018, 12.30–1.30pm, the Bramall. The Vice-Chancellor will be interviewed by a guest Chair (to be confirmed) on key issues facing the higher education sector and the University.

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ARTS & SCIENCE

Arts & Science Festival

Themed 'Stop/Start', the Arts & Science Festival returns 12–18 March 2018. [Email](#) to join our mailing list and receive updates about the jam-packed line up.

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BUAFTA 2018 shortlist

Congratulations to all colleagues nominated for Birmingham University Awards for Tremendous Achievement (BUAFTA). The shortlist was announced on 20 December and the winners will be revealed at a gala event on 16 February.

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Your New Core news

Visit the New Core blog for the latest programme news, including details on the combination of phase dates, and a video guide to raising expense claims in your new Finance and HR system.

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Qur'an Lecture

Professor Alastair Hamilton delivers the first Christian–Muslim Relations Project Public Lecture. Forbidden Fruit: Translating the Qur'an in early modern Europe. Thursday 25 January, 4.30–6.00pm.

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Rock paper scissors

The Lapworth Museum of Geology is proud to host *Rock paper scissors*, a temporary exhibition created by students at King Edwards VI High School, who have been considering how human evolution has impacted our world.

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UoB School event

The University of Birmingham School & University Academic Staff Meeting at the University of Birmingham School has been rescheduled for 23 January. Please get your tickets and

Tee-hees and tackles

Laugh along with Nathan Caton, Carol Donnelly and Ben van der Velde on 19 January at the Bramall's monthly comedy night, then warm up for the Six Nations with rugby legend

more information by clicking the link below.

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Matt Dawson on 25 January.

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January pay day

Thank you for responding to the January pay day consultation! Given the overwhelming support (76 per cent), it has been agreed that January pay will be paid five days earlier on 26 January (on a trial basis).

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Holiday savings

Planning a holiday? Save on your travel plans with Perks at Work. Staff can benefit from corporate pricing on holidays and discounts on travel extras (including insurance and airport parking/hotels).

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