



St Peter's College

# AT A GLANCE

## Vibrant. Diverse. Supportive. Unstuffy. Centrally located

*I'd say it is a really down-to-earth college in terms of the people and the attitudes of the staff and students  
Imogen, Modern Languages and Linguistics*

*If I had to describe St Peter's in three words they would be supportive, inclusive and dynamic because there's always so much going on and I really felt included as soon as I got into the St Peter's grounds.*

*Reuben, English Language and Literature*



**Number of undergraduates:** 350 undergraduates

**Location:** St Peter's is located right in the heart of Oxford. Our central location means students are living moments away from shops, cafes and bars as well as being based close to many faculties, departments and multiple University libraries. The college site is a short walk from the railway and coach stations.

**Accommodation:** All first year undergraduate students live on the main college site. Students can also live in college accommodation in their third year, mostly in annexes which are really close to the main college site (only about five minutes' walk away). First year rooms have shared bathroom facilities, while most (but not all) third year rooms have en-suite facilities. At the moment almost all second year students live out in private accommodation (usually in groups with other St Peter's students). We can currently accommodate most fourth year undergraduates who want to live in college accommodation. We are about to start building new student rooms which will mean that from 2023-24 onwards we will be able to accommodate about half our second year students in college accommodation. For 2021-22, the cost of a room for a first-year undergraduate will be £172 per week, with rent payable for 27 weeks each year. The cost of rooms for third-year undergraduates in 2021-22 will vary from £164 per week to £198 per week, with some leases being for 27 weeks and some being for 38 weeks each year.







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### **Accessibility:**

We have many students with hidden disabilities. The college has a strong health, wellbeing and welfare system, led by a professional Dean for Welfare. The welfare team liaises with students and tutors to ensure students' support needs are communicated, understood and met. The college has numerous accessible teaching spaces.

The JCR is fully accessible and the Dining Hall is accessible via a lift. We have one suite specifically designed for a student using a wheelchair, as well as multiple other accessible rooms.

However, we don't have en-suite accommodation available for first year students, except in exceptional circumstances.

### **Information about catering:**

The dining hall, available to all students, provides breakfast, lunch and informal dinners, with brunch – which is particularly popular with students – being served at the weekends. In addition, St Peter's has lively formal dinners on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, with special menus for themed dinners such as Thanksgiving and Burns Night.

Most meals have a meat option, a vegetarian and a vegan option available.

One of the benefits of college life is the opportunity to eat excellent food together as a community, but students are not required to attend particular meals.

From 2021-22, students will pre-pay a set amount each term for food in Hall which they can spend down as they wish during the term. This pre-pay amount is roughly equivalent to eight meals a week for students who live on the main college site, with lower pre-pay amounts for students living elsewhere.

Further information, including sample menus and typical meal prices, is available on the college website (see QR code on top of page).

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### College societies:

A wide range of sports are represented at St Peter's, with many teams enjoying considerable success. What is exciting is that you can play on a college level casually, and build your strengths to play on a more professional university team. Peter's students would usually highlight Touch-Rugby, Rugby, Football, Rounders, Water-polo, Badminton, Basketball, Netball and Rowing as their favourite sports on a college level, and the JCR Sports Rep and team Captains offer lots of support and encouragement to get involved.

Artistic activities flourish and distinguished speakers are regularly invited to give talks. Music is a particular strength, with a strong instrumental, choral and jazz tradition. We have a Music Society which frequently performs lunchtime recitals in our beautiful chapel. We host an annual Arts Week which this year included live life drawing, foraging, jazz outings and upcycling. The Society also puts on plays in the summer; this is an exciting way to take part in drama, but also meet new people in college that you may not have known.

There are also subject specific societies you can get involved with (such as Law Society) and there is the opportunity to start your own society if you wish. Lastly, you can stand for election to the Junior Common Room (JCR) Committee which is essentially like a school council but for the college. There are lots of roles to choose from and great work to get involved with. For example, our Homelessness Rep recently organised donations for 'Because We Can', a project for fighting food poverty. Our Entz Reps organise 'bops' which are college parties. Our Access and Outreach Rep has started a social media project for prospective applicants. And this is just a few examples!

### Other College facilities:

The well-stocked college library is open 24/7. The popular student-run bar is located next to the Junior Common Room, which provides a large flexible space for undergraduates to socialise. There are multiple seminar rooms, a music room and a small gym. We also have access to shared sports facilities, including a boathouse. The Chapel sits at the heart of the college site. Both the Chapel and the Dining Hall are used to host regular visiting speaker events. The college site includes a several quads, and in good weather these are well used by students enjoying the sunshine while studying. Occasionally you will even see the college tortoise (named Aristurtle) promenading on the lawns.