JCR TREASURY

Explaining batels, opt-ins, and money at Brasenose.

This is a brief guide to inform you about a number of Junior Common Room (JCR) schemes offered to undergraduates designed to make life easier during your time here!

Each scheme will be charged as a **levy** (payment) on your first **batels** (termly bills), which you will receive when you arrive in October. Opt-ins are collected using an online form that is emailed to everyone before each term.

Below (JCR charities and entz) are the important levies that occur every term, but some terms contain other special levies – for instance, Trinity Term in the summer has separate levies for punting and for the annual garden party – but you don't need to worry about those now!

JCR Charities Levy

This is a voluntary payment of £7.00 every term, which goes straight into a separate JCR Charities Account. Each term, undergraduates are encouraged to nominate charities, and the JCR Charities Rep is responsible for allocating funds to these chosen charities. A mix of international, UK wide, and Oxford based charities are selected, and it is the best opportunity for students, through their JCR, to direct their resources and energies to charitable causes. There is a strong tradition of active involvement in this and other similar JCR led initiatives – we hope you choose to participate!

JCR Entz Levy

The JCR Entz Levy is a termly payment of about £15.00 - £20.00, used for putting on events in college such as the Christmas Party and Bops throughout the year, organised by the entz reps - Seb and Carla!

There are usually several of these events per term, usually with fun themes, and these are well attended by college members across year groups – they provide a really good chance to get to know new people or have fun with your friends. Those who don't opt in will have to pay an additional charge or not be able to attend these events – but most current JCR members do opt in!

Key Insurance - Not a Levy!

You will most likely never have to worry about misplacing your room key, but it happens! Key insurance used to be included as a levy for all students to safeguard them against exorbitant costs for losing their keys - but in recent years, this system has been updated and improved. Now, if you happen to lose your keys, you get charged £25 to your following set of batels - but you get to claim the money back from the JCR:)

This does needs evidence, though, so if you do lose your key, you should send your batels (including the charge for the key) to the JCR Treasurer (Andrew), with your name and the cost for replacement as a receipt - just make sure you blank out all the other charges!

If you have any questions at all about money/batels, please email Andrew, our treasurer at:





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