Easter Term Guiding Principles

Over the course of Easter Term, please remember the following:

- We all need to follow the government’s COVID-19 rules and guidelines in order to maintain a safe community for everyone. These are outlined in the College Life document and updated when the Government makes key changes.

- Some of you will finish your exams just as others are starting theirs. We hope you get a chance to relax and unwind when your exams finish, but remember to be kind to and mindful of your friends and peers who are still working hard.

- Some of us are morning larks and some of us are night owls. Whichever category you fall into, please do bear in mind that your neighbours might not keep the same hours as you, so keep noise levels to a minimum – particularly early in the morning and late at night.

- We encourage you to continue to socialise with your housemates in your household areas. You can also still meet with housemates (as well as friends from other households and friends from outside Cambridge) in the gardens and in the marquees – provided there’s no more than six of you and that you ensure you are socially distanced. We know the “rule of six people or two households” allows for larger outdoor gatherings at this time but given it’s exam term, we are not permitting groups of more than six to meet on College premises. We’re doing this to help ensure that the College remains a calm and quiet place for you all to rest and study.

- The MCR (postgraduates only) and the bar are available as socialising and study spaces for Murray Edwards College members only.

- The JCR remains open only to the specific households that have been given permission to access it as an alternative dining space.

- You can host one visitor from anywhere (including outside Cambridge) in your room from 10:00am to midnight. The restricted times and the limit on visitor numbers are in place to ensure the College remains a conducive place to study and relax.

- You can have one overnight guest in your bedroom – from anywhere, including another Murray Edwards College household, provided your entire household gives their consent. Your visitor can stay for one night if they are resident in Cambridge or two nights if they are travelling from outside Cambridge. Ideally, overnight visitors will only stay over at a weekend and they must not use communal facilities such as kitchens and common rooms. If your guest needs to make use of any shared toilet/shower facilities, please remember that either you or they should clean the facilities directly after use.
Disciplinary rules are laid out on the **College website** (Ordinance 37) and while we hope the Dean will not need to discipline anyone, please rest assured that any complaints will be dealt with swiftly. Any time sensitive concerns or complaints should be reported to the Porters’ Lodge. For all other complaints, please contact the Dean (**st325@cam.ac.uk**) or your Tutor.

If you are feeling overwhelmed or need some support, **help is available**: the [student wellbeing pages](#) on the University website are full of useful information, you can make an appointment with the College Nurse or College Counsellor, and your Tutors and Directors of Studies are also there to help you weather any storm.