

STAAR Editorial Welcome

On behalf of all of us on the Editorial Board, here's a very warm welcome to the brand new St Anne's Academic Review – STAAR. This first issue is crammed full of the research, conferences and events that you, the members of St Anne's College, investigated, ran and attended. You'll find a wide selection of articles, long and short, covering lots of subjects, so we hope you enjoy the show.

The journal is organised into three sections – first the **St Anne's Seminars** which includes a summary of the talks at the Discussion Groups, with a special focus on the Arts and Humanities Discussion Group. In the **St Anne's Conferences** section you will find reports on conferences and travel as well as advice on how to write successful applications for conference funds. Next, **St Anne's Research** contains in-depth, accessible articles about the research interests of the members of the College – MCR, SCR and JCR. Most of the articles in this section are based on presentations given at the termly St Anne's Subject Family Events that are open to all. Details of past Discussion Group and Subject Family Event Speakers can be found in the **Appendix**.

STAAR includes a lot more than just research. It attempts to capture the essence of the spirit of the College, to bring its members together and to build a profile of what life here is like. We hope that you enjoy the first issue of STAAR, and that we have established something that will go on to grow and become a part of the College tradition. Long may it continue!

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