

Dear Friends,

**Greetings from BISC**, Bristol International Student Centre.

This is the **9th 'BISC Weekly Email'** for the Spring term. Our 'mystery cake' for the **Cream Tea** this Monday, is **British Banana Crumble Squares**. As usual there will be 5 delicious soups for **Wednesday Soup Lunch** and another 'mystery dish' this **Friday Lunch** time. Hope you enjoyed the two lovely Couscous dishes this past Friday.

Also remember to pick up the new **Blue SUMMER PROGRAM** during the week or look on-line for more information. It will be available from Wednesday 10 March. Book early for our Cotswolds and Cambridge trips, as these are very popular for the summer and always fully booked!!

## WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK?

### Tobias Jones

**Monday 8 March: 6pm @ Chemistry Lecture Theatre I**

We are fortunate to have renowned author Tobias Jones (author of Utopian Dreams) as a speaker on the subject '**Living in Community: reinventing monasticism for the 21<sup>st</sup> century**'. Join us today, Monday 8 March 2010, at 6pm in the Chemistry Lecture Theatre I and hear more about this very interesting subject. This event is kindly organised by The University of Bristol Multifaith Chaplaincy.

**Free Entry**

### Food & Discussion Forum

**Wednesday 10 March: 6.30pm @ BISC**

**Enjoy a delicious 2 COURSE MEAL and explore with BISC the questions around 'Faith and Politics'.**

Dr Jonathan Burnside, renowned Reader in Biblical Law at the University of Bristol, considers the interesting relationship between faith, the Bible and politics. There will be time for open discussion after the talk as we explore and search for answers together.

**Free Entry, but booking essential as limited places available!**

### Oxford

**Saturday 13 March**

**An amazing day in this old University town with professional guides & a visit to a popular College.**

Visit Oxford, the 'City of Dreaming Spires', world famous for its University and place in history. The trip includes a guided walking tour with a professional Blue Badge Guide in the morning, as well as a visit to the well known St John's College, founded in 1511. In the afternoon there is free time for lunch, shopping and exploring the sights of this bustling, cosmopolitan town.

**Only 2 tickets left, and first come first serve in the last week!**

**Cost £19.50**

### i-con for UWE Students

**Thursday 11 March: 12-2pm @ The Octagon (Frenchay campus)**

**i-con** (international conversation) was bustling with so many students this past week, all enjoying the British tradition of a Ploughman's Platter for lunch. Look at your email on Wednesday to see the treat for this week.

**i-con** takes place every Thursday at The Octagon on Frenchay campus from 12noon - 2pm. Come and enjoy another **Mystery Food Treat** this week. Come along and share friendship, fun and laughter while enjoying something tasty to warm you up (vegetarian option available). **You can also buy and collect tickets for all BISC events** after pre-booking on-line by no later than the Wednesday evening of each week.

**Free Entry**

## REMEMBER TO BOOK FOR:

### Film Afternoon: 'Elizabeth I, the Golden Age'

Wednesday 17 March: 2.30pm @ BISC

Watch and discuss this extraordinary film exploring the life of one of the most powerful and successful monarchs in the history of Britain. Learn more about her visit to Bristol and how she influenced the city during her lifetime.

Costs: £2 Refreshments provided!

## Cotswolds

Saturday 24 April

Experience the true beauty of England!

Spend a day in the Cotswolds seeing some beautiful scenery and architecture in the countryside. Visit the Corinium Museum in Cirencester where we trace the story of the Cotswolds from Prehistory to the late 19<sup>th</sup> Century, with hands-on exhibits and interactive displays. In the afternoon we visit the charming and picturesque village of Bourton-on-the-Water (voted prettiest village in England), Stow-on-the-Water, Moreton-in-Marsh and Broadway where we end the afternoon off with a lovely Cream Tea.

Cost £19.50 Book soon as this is a very popular trip!

## BISC OPENING HOURS

The BISC centre, is open Monday – Friday, 1-5pm, except on Wednesday when we open at 12noon for soup lunch, and Friday when we open at 12.30pm for sandwich and pizza lunch. We're located at 45 Woodland Road, Clifton. Opposite the Biological Sciences dept.

## TELEPHONE CARDS & PHONE ROOM

BISC sells a variety of telephone cards and will also now sell special SIM cards specifically designed to benefit University Students so you can call home for less. Phone cards including Uni-Tel cards for use at Deans Court, Chantry Court, Woodland Court & Unite House, as well as on UWE Campus (Mendip/ Cotswold/ Brecon/ Quantock Court). We also have a phone room that you can use, with a phone card, during our office hours.

## TIP OF THE WEEK

Last week we mentioned a few Farmer's Markets in and around Bristol. We would like to thank Maria Teider for mentioning another Farmer's Market right on your doorstep.

Visit <<http://www.bristol.ac.uk/sport/healthyliving/eatwell/farmersmarket/>> and find out all that Bristol University has to offer at their Farmer's Market. The link includes dates and product lists.

We hope you have a wonderful week. See you at BISC!

Warm Regards

Jacqueline and the BISC Team

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