

A big well done for getting into the University of Manchester from St Gabriels Hall!

Dear future resident,

Congratulations on your acceptance into the University of Manchester! My name is Zaynah, and on behalf of the students at St Gabriel's Hall (or better known as 'Gabs') I'd like to welcome you as a new member in our home. Our hall accommodates about 100 girls, making Gabs a very special community. The size means first, second and third years are all friends.

Our hall has the junior common room (JCR) with two TVs (one has sky AND sky movies!), a TV room, library, gym, laundry room and dining hall. Please refer to the attached leaflet for more information about our hall, it has a lot of useful information and includes what you should bring to university and what you can buy in Manchester.

Our hall contains a committee called the JCR, we run events and help make moving into our hall a pleasurable experience. A number of us will be in reception giving out room keys when you arrive, we'll show you to your room and take you on a tour of our hall. We are here to answer any questions you have (even if you think it's silly) no matter how big or small. We are an approachable and friendly group of people who want to make you feel welcome, give you a great experience in halls and run events YOU want.

This year we have started a scheme called the mummy scheme. You and about 7 other girls will be in groups as 'daughters' to a pair of 'mummies'. The mummies are second or third years that have been living in gabs for a year or more. The mummy scheme gives you a chance to meet other first years but also the meet older students who have experience of the hall and studying at Manchester. It gives you a chance to build relationships with people from around the whole hall.

Please join the facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/324095381071947/> . Feel free to post any questions you have on the group. But if you'd like to ask me feel free to send me a message on facebook, email me on zaynah.j@hotmail.co.uk or message us on facebook to our gabs JCR account <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100008329904344> .

In anticipation of your arrival, we've organised a number of events for all of us to get to know each other better in the first week you're here (Welcome Week or better known as Freshers Week). Please take part in as many activities as possible, as through them you will meet the number of different girls living with us. JCR members will go on nights out aswell as nights in as we're organizing them and we're really excited to meet all of you! There are plenty of nights out for those of you who want to release the inner party animal in you as well as nights in/non-drinking based events every night. I've included the welcome week timetable and I hope you're as excited about the events as the JCR and I. We're all very excited to see what'll happen next year, and we're glad you'll be joining us. Have a great summer - we look forward to meeting you soon!

Best Wishes and a Warm Welcome,

Zaynah Javaid
Senior Student
St Gabriel's Hall JCR Committee

September

Welcome week 2014

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Night
Thursday 11th			Gathering in the JCR
Friday 12th			Cinema after dinner (time tbc) Dessert at the curry mile
Saturday 13 th	Trip and tour to the City Centre via the University. Meet at 11am in reception		Hulme Hall Party A party at the hall across from Gabs. Time tbc Or Cake and dress creations night Make your own dresses and show them off followed by cake decorating and eating. In the chapel.

<p>Sunday 14th</p>		<p>Mummy Hall and City treasure hunt from 12pm-4pm. Meet in the JCR.</p> <p>Again in your mummy team you will be given challenges to do around the hall and city e.g. Do a yoga pose on the dining hall tables or high 5 5 strangers in central Manchester. The team to complete the most challenges wins!</p>	<p>Compulsory Meeting 5pm + plenty of free pizza Meeting for you to meet the warden, tutors, JCR and fellow students. Followed by free pizza in the JCR.</p> <p>Drinks at the bar</p> <p>University Freshers event</p>
<p>Monday 15th</p>			<p>Mummy sports day event and quiz: 7pm in the chapel</p> <p>Get to know your 'mummys' and 'sisters' in an afternoon full of old school sports day fun: egg and spoon race, 3 legged race, wheelbarrow race etc. Mummy teams will battle against each other for a prize. Followed by a quiz and refreshments.</p>
<p>Tuesday 16th</p>			<p>University Freshers event</p> <p>or</p> <p>Mocktail and Cocktail night in the JCR</p> <p>Mocktails from 8 till closing Cocktails from 9 till closing</p>

<p>Wednesday 17th</p>			<p>Karaoke night in central Manchester Or Movie night in the chapel at 7.30pm Come in your pjs and bring duvets and get all cosy in the chapel for an amazing movie night and nibbles</p>
<p>Thursday 18th</p>			<p>Hide and seek 7pm-8pm. Meet in reception where the rules will be explained</p> <p>Quiz at the bar 8.30pm</p> <p>University Freshers event</p> <p>Or</p> <p>Girls night in- Come along to the JCR for a girly night of fun to get your nails and henna done and have some nibbles</p>
<p>Friday 19th</p>			<p>Bowling. Meet at 8pm in reception</p>

			<p>or</p> <p>Slem's Party A party at the all-boys hall St Anselms Hall. Time tbc</p>
<p>Saturday 20st</p>	<p>Trafford Centre Trip: Sealife (aquarium), arcade, shopping, cinema and food. Meet 11am in reception</p> <p>This is your chance to come to one of the most beautiful indoor shopping centers and leisure complex in the UK.</p>		<p>University Freshers event</p>
<p>Sunday 21nd</p>		<p>Wardens + JCR Brunch in the dining hall</p> <p>Time tbc</p> <p>Bouncy castle, inflatable sumo suits and inflatable twister. From 2pm-7pm</p>	

