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A quick reminder that Professor Nancy Rothwell is visiting the School on Thursday. There will be an open meeting from 1315-1400 in IT407. Nancy is keen to talk to staff directly about their experience of the new University and progress towards realising the goals of Manchester 2015, so please attend if you can.

Welcome and Goodbye Event

I'm sorry about the short notice, but it seems timely to have one of our regular 'comings and goings' events. Several new members of staff have joined us over the past few months, and a number of academic staff are about to leave, having taken ERVS. The event will take place in the Common Room at **1500 this Friday, 25th July** – nothing formal, but an opportunity to meet new colleagues and bid farewell to old ones, over cakes and a glass of wine.

Events Last Week

Many thanks to everyone who attended the graduation celebrations and the unveiling of Hilary's plaque last week. The graduation party was a great success – many thanks to Gill, Kath and colleagues for the faultless organisation – and the significant presence on the stage for the graduation ceremony will have increased the enjoyment of our graduands, their parents and friends. I know that Hilary's family appreciated the exceptionally good turnout for the unveiling, and I think that many found the juxtaposition of the two events particularly appropriate.

Events this Week[top](#)**Visit from Professor Nancy Rothwell****24 Jul 08**

Please make a note of this date in your diary. The Deputy President will be visiting the School, and would welcome the opportunity to discuss with staff, in an open meeting, the University's progress towards achieving its 2015 goals. 1315-1400, IT 407

Comings and Goings**25 Jul 08**

Informal opportunity to meet new colleagues and bid farewell to old ones over cakes and a glass of wine. 1500, Kilburn Common Room

Online Assessment of Mathematics**25 Jul 08**

You are invited to an afternoon session on Friday 25th July in C1 of the George Begg Building on the subject of online formative assessment by questions where the desired answer is a mathematical equation. In computer aided learning and assessment using mathematical expressions it is highly desirable for the software to be capable of accepting and processing mathematical input. Who should attend? Anyone across the university with an interest in the teaching of mathematics and numerate disciplines using mathematics. 1400-1600, C1, George Begg Building

Regular Seminar Series

See links in contents bar for information on seminar series organised by the

Future School Events

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School Board Dates

1 October - Budget Report and Dean attending
26 November - UG Report
4 February - PG Report
25 March - External Affairs Report
6 May - Research Report
1 July - Resources Report
All meetings take place 1530-1700 in IT 407.

Future External Events

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Arts meets Science, Science meets Art

23 Sep 08

A series of free Roberts funded summer seminars for postgraduate research students. These seminars have been organised by the Graduate Education Team and Jodrell bank and are open to research students from the University of Manchester. The series of seminars will explore collaborations across the Arts, Humanities and Sciences. Students are also invited to provide posters about their own cross-disciplinary work.

[More information](#)

BCS International Academic Research Conference

22-24 Sep 08

The British Computer Society is launching its first International Academic Conference. Full paper submissions are being solicited in all areas of research covering the broad field of Computer Science and Engineering (CSE). The conference will be organized in sessions and mini-tracks, each devoted to a theme or area, and will include a small number of invited presentations. The topics included are deliberately broad to reflect the rich texture and intellectual vigor of CSE. Venue: Imperial College London

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Newton International Fellowships

4 Aug 08

A new multi-million pound initiative to fund research collaborations and improve links between UK and overseas researchers has been launched. The Newton International Fellowships aim to attract the most promising, early stage, post-doctoral researchers working overseas, who do not hold UK citizenship, in the fields of humanities, engineering, natural and social sciences. The scheme provides funding to successful candidates for up to 2 years to work with research groups at a UK research Institution and to establish long term international collaborations.

[More Information](#)

EPSRC Postdoctoral Fellowships Call 2008

30 Sep 08

EPSRC are offering Postdoctoral Fellowships in theoretical physics, theoretical computer sciences, mathematical sciences and life sciences interface to enable the most talented new researchers to establish an independent research career, shortly or immediately after completing a PhD. The awards are for a period of up to three years and primarily cover the salary costs of the Fellow, travel and subsistence.

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Industrial Secondment Scheme **Open**

The Industrial Secondment Scheme provides an invaluable opportunity for engineering teaching staff in Higher Education institutions to gain state-of-the-art industrial experience. Applicable to engineers of all disciplines, the scheme's objective is to enable the secondees to impart the fruits of this experience to their students through teaching, through case studies using up-to-date material and, in the longer term, through course design. The benefits also accrue to the host organization which gains a temporary but highly qualified member of staff, and to the university which has the opportunity of strengthening its links with industry.

[More Information](#)

UoM Knowledge Transfer Challenge **Open**

The KT Challenge offers small grants for *concept studies* and *feasibility studies*. If you are interested in developing ideas in collaboration with an industrial partner – developing new technology, or applying existing technology in an industrial setting – please contact [Constantinos Astreos](#).

EPSRC Encouraging Postdoctoral Mobility Between Disciplines **Open**

EPSRC would like to encourage the transfer of outputs of research between different research disciplines as well as aiding the career development of EPSRC funded PDRAs. In the first instance an extra year of support will be offered. Transfers between the engineering and physical science disciplines and the life sciences are encouraged. There are no closing dates for proposals.

[More Information](#)

EPSRC ICT Platform Grants **Open**

EPSRC invites outline proposals for its information and communication technology platform grants. Platform grants aim to provide world-leading UK groups with continuity of funding for strategic development, longer-term research and international networking.

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Royal Academy of Engineering Research Chairs **Open**

Full-time professorial appointments, in any engineering-related subject. The academy particularly welcomes proposals of a multidisciplinary nature. Funding is provided for 5 years.

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RAEng Industrial Secondment Scheme **Open**

An opportunity for university lecturers in engineering to gain state-of-the-art industrial experience.

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BBSRC International Scientific Interchange Scheme (ISIS) **Open**

To help scientists make and establish new contacts with their international counterparts.

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RAEng Global Research Awards **Open**

Projects in centres of excellence overseas focussing on stimulating wealth creation and improvements in the quality of life.

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EPSRC Engineering Visits **Open**

Support for salary costs and travel subsistence for scientists and engineers of

acknowledged standing, either from within the UK or abroad, to visit the investigator's organisation.

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Prize and Award Opportunities

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We have acknowledged the need to raise the profile of the School both nationally and internationally. Nominating individuals for awards, and working actively with others to ensure that deserving individuals are nominated is one way of doing that.

None currently open

Research Awards

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None this week

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Awards and Promotions

None this week

Academic Arrivals

None this week

Academic Departures

None this week

Research Arrivals

None this week

Research Departures

None this week

Administrative Arrivals

None this week

Administrative Departures

None this week

Sabbatical Leave

Alasdair Rawsthorne: 80% secondment to Transitive Technologies
Oct 07 – Sep 08.

John Keane: Academic Year 2008/09

Len Freeman: April to Sept 2009

John Gurd: Academic Year 2009/10

Liping Zhao: Sept 2008 to Mid Jan 09, and Mid July 09 to mid Jan 10

Josh Knowles: Feb 2009 for 6 months

Rizos Sakellariou: Lent term 2008-09, Summer term 2008-09, Michaelmas Term 2009-10 (2 semesters)

Xiao-Jun Zeng: January 2009-April 2009

Ning Zhang: January 2009 – June 2009

Vacancies

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Academic Staff

None

Research & Technical Staff

None

Management & Professional Staff

None

Administrative Staff

None
