

Dear

On behalf of the Schools of Earth Sciences and Biological Sciences I would like to welcome you to Bristol. We are delighted that you are joining us and I hope that you will enjoy your time with us and find it an exciting and rewarding educational experience. This letter and the information enclosed explains what you can expect during Introductory Week, and what we need you to do beforehand.

I enclose a Maths Primer for you to work through before you arrive. It is absolutely essential that you do this, particularly if you have done no maths since GCSE.

Other enclosures include a programme for introductory week, information sheets from both Schools, a book list, and various forms. **The field equipment order form and the preliminary field trip booking form should be returned to the School of Earth Sciences by Friday 9th September, the first year information form and the assistance form should be returned to the School of Biological Sciences by 16th September.**

During the term there will be some day field excursions so you should make sure that you have warm clothing, walking boots and a full set of waterproofs with you. Longer field classes will take place during the vacations. Please make sure your tetanus immunisation is up to date.

Please note there will be Science Faculty progress exams at the beginning of the 2nd term on Friday 13th & Saturday 14th January 2012 and *you must make sure that you are in Bristol on those days*. In the unlikely event of your failing units at the end of the year, resit exams take place during the first 14 days of September and you are advised to avoid booking a holiday at this time.

If you have any queries or if there is anything you think we should know about you which might affect your ability to study in any way please get in touch with Dr Mary Benton (tel 0117 954 5373, e-mail mary.benton@bristol.ac.uk).

Yours sincerely,

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