

May 2012 Newsletter

A bit earlier than usual but I just wanted to announce that Rob Blissett was successful in securing an Industrial Fellowship with The Royal Commission for the 1851 Exhibition. This now means the Centre holds three such fellowships.

Conference

Just to reiterate my thanks to everyone for your efforts at the Conference. The lecture theatre was full of extremely influential scientists/engineers who might one day be your examiners, will fund future projects and might even become your line manager. I was approached by several industrialists asking for recommendations for jobs so it is vital to portray a professional approach, be smartly dressed and punctual.

Feedback Forms

I will be forwarding the Feedback Forms to you soon and to your supervisors. So, like all feedback, read it, reflect on it or not. Remember, it is one person's opinion which you can choose to take on board or ignore.

Coniston

I have all the medical forms back so I will send them onto The Priestley Centre along with any dietary requests. The plan is for one minibus and three hire cars to leave Chemical Engineering on the Monday morning at 9.00am, so please assemble from 08.30am onwards. I have and I will leave those who are late behind. You will also need to prepare a short presentation (5 mins) about your research project as you will be giving a short presentation on the Mon/Tues evening to the other students as part of an ice breaking exercise. I will bring a laptop so please bring your talk on a memory stick.

Exams

The exam timetable has been released but it does clash with the Coniston Team Building Course. I have, however, cleared it with the Module Coordinators for you to take them in the September exam period with no penalty.

New Starters

Some of you may well have met James Pegg at the Conference. He is working with Rolls Royce and Stuart Blackburn. Lucie Villedieu will be joining us on May 1st. She will be working with Professor Norton, Dr. Spyropoulos and Pepsico.