



## Good News

This month's news is a bit shorter, as we haven't heard from many people.

Also, a quick note that there will be **no issue** of the PGR Newsletter in August or September, but we will prepare for an extended issue for the new academic year releasing **Monday 1st October**.

### Publications

- **James Bartlett** was quoted in the book '[Building Experiments in PsychoPy](#)', published in June

### Conferences

- **Jenny MacKay** and **Danielle Labhardt** presented at the [Centre for Violence Prevention annual conference](#) at the University of Worcester
- **Sahar Shahid** will be presenting at the [ISRA World Conference](#) in Paris this month.

*If you want to have your good news in future issues, please contact Jenny at:*  
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## **REP UPDATES**

A longer this month:

### **Research Allowance**

Just a reminder that this fund (£250FT, £125 PT) expires on **31st July**.

It is important that we take advantage of these funds, as the university may end up **taking it away** if we aren't using it.

To access this fund please see the [Funding opportunities](#) page on the Doctoral College CU Student portal.

For HLS specific funding, contact Andy Davis, by emailing  
[hls.ro@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:hls.ro@coventry.ac.uk)

### **Payment of write-up Fees**

The paying system has not been updated to reflect the changes in write up year fees for 2018/19 etc.

Any student concerned who needs to pay the fees should wait until they get confirmation from the Doctoral college/or their account has been credited with the balance before they do so.

There has been issues with those who have paid the initial amount and are now claiming a refund. It was acknowledged it is a very frustrating experience so students should consult the Doctoral college before making any payment.

### **Working hours post-viva**

The PGR working hours pre- and post-viva will remain the same.

Sadly, the changes students had proposed to extend the number of post-viva work hours allowed was rejected by URC and there is nothing the Doctoral College can do at this time.

### **Research Student Forum**

Minutes are being confirmed at the moment, with actions to be completed waiting to be confirmed. REPS will let you know once the actions are confirmed.



## **Reflection: The Importance of Taking Breaks and Annual Leave**

In this Reflection, **Becky Seymour** writes about why it is important to take breaks from work, and to actually take your annual leave.

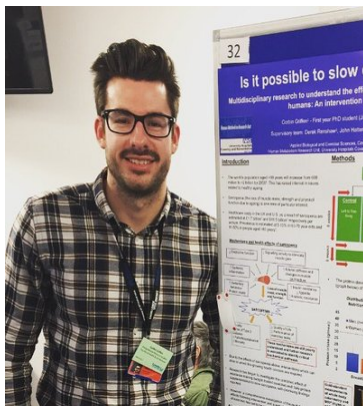
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## **Health & Wellbeing: Healthy Eating Whilst on a Budget**

In this piece, **Danii Chippett** provides some advice on how to eat healthily whilst still on a student's budget.

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## Researcher Spotlight: Corbin Griffen

This month we are putting the spotlight on [Corbin Griffen](#), who's doing a PhD in age-related muscle-loss.



## Research Participation

Please click the picture above to be taken to the list of available research.



## Opportunities

Journal clubs, PhD studentships, conferences and funding... Click the picture to see more opportunities that might be of interest.

## Want to contribute to the Newsletter?

We are always looking for suggestions on columns, feedback, and new, keen editors or columnists. **You could get involved and become part of the newsletter team or contribute a one-off article.** If you are interested, or want to know more, checkout the [submission guidelines](#) or contact the editor.



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To get the word out about this newsletter, you can spread a link to this month's issue on social media using [this link](#).

That way, if your work ever appears on here, or if you volunteer for the spotlight, you will reach a wider audience.

Please note, we will not be releasing a PGR Newsletter issue in **August or September**. The next issue will be a larger one in **October**, for the new starters.

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