

### **STATEMENT**

#### Simon Kay

# Statement from Professor Maggie Snowling, President of St John's College:

'It is with deep sadness that we confirm that Dr Simon Kay, a former undergraduate and current PGCE student at St John's College, died recently in the John Radcliffe Hospital. Our thoughts and condolences are with Simon's parents and his family and close friends at this extremely difficult time.

'Simon was a much-valued and well-liked member of St John's. Widely travelled and a keen sailor, members of the College will miss his dry humour, and his reading in chapel. We are offering support to those at the College who have been affected by his death.

'We ask that the privacy of his family be respected.'

# Statement from Simon's parents:

'Simon was a much-loved, and loving, son and brother. He achieved many goals in his life. He flew so high, sailed so far, and he continues to inspire us. Please celebrate Simon's life and raise a glass in his memory.'

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## **Notes to Editors**

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### St John's College

Established in 1555 as a constituent college of the University of Oxford, St John's College fosters excellence in education and research and is committed to equality and diversity. It is one of the largest among Oxford Colleges and offers tuition in nearly every subject studied at the University. Today, St John's is home to approximately 390 undergraduates, 250 graduate students, 100 fellows and 25 College lecturers. A vibrant international community, it fosters intellectual rigour, creativity, and independence in its students, teachers, and researchers. The College supports a range of research activities including discussions, seminars, workshops, public lectures and visiting scholar schemes. While scholarly publication is naturally at the heart of the College's research endeavours, the Fellowship is also committed to informing policy and public debate, and to teaching that is informed by research findings.

Through the College's work on access to all aspects of its day-to-day activities, the College has due regard for its legal commitments under the Equality Act to promote equality, diversity and inclusion.