The Middle Common Room (MCR ? St Edmund Hall?s postgraduate student body) is excited to announce the call for articles for this year?s writing competition. The MCR online journal, Ex Aula: Research from the Hall, was started last year and published 14 articles over Hilary and Trinity terms. The inaugural winning article, by Beth Raine, entitled ?Dung Beetles: We Should All Talk More About Poo?, was chosen to win the prize of £500 by a judging panel made up of St Edmund Hall Senior Common Room members Dr Linda Yueh, Dr Emily Winkler and Prof. Paul Skokowski.

The deadline for first drafts is Friday 1 December, 5pm. Articles should aim to answer one of or a combination of the following questions: Why is my research important? What does my research project contribute to the field? Why is my work/field relevant to the general public? in a short 800-word laymen?s-terms essay.

The aims of the journal are:
• to communicate the importance of research undertaken by St Edmund Hall graduate students to the general public;
• to encourage inter-faculty communication;
• to promote MCR graduate research within St Edmund Hall and the University, and;
• to provide graduate students with the opportunity to expand their writing and editing skill-set away from thesis, dissertation and manuscript preparation.

Ex Aula provides a platform for students to present their work to the outside world. The best article will be selected based on its accessibility to a wider audience as judged by the SCR judging panel. A winner for the 2017/18 competition will be announced at the end of Trinity Term 2018.

Please send your submissions to the editors:

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Read previous Ex Aula articles on the MCR website here [2].

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