

Welcome to the Autumn 2021 Newsletter

Thank you for your continuing support of the John Aves Education Project (JAEP).

An update on JAEP news:

Our website now accepts online donations using a credit or debit card

Success in receiving funding from the Britain Yearly Meeting of The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) to buy laptops for some of our students at Al Quds University. The laptops will be purchased by the university, who will also administer the use of the laptops.

Would you like to know more about our work? We are very happy to give talks to organisations that you are part of.

An article published in the Eastern Daily Press (EDP) and Eastern Daily Times (EADT)

[Remembering the work of Father John by Derek James](#)

You may be interested in this, Oliver Wainwright reviews [Exhibition about Dheisheh at Mosaic Rooms in London](#)

An update on JAEP students.

To date JAEP has awarded scholarships to seventy young people, (fifty-two females and eighteen males).

From September 2021, students have returned to campus for face-to-face teaching.

The continuing pandemic and low levels of vaccination in the Occupied Palestinian Territories mean that it is difficult to know how soon the trustees will be able to return to the universities and Dheisheh to spend time with JAEP students.

JAEP graduates in 2021



Thirteen students graduated, all with excellent grades.

During our visits tutors all mention how hard working and able JAEP students are and that students living in refugee camps often achieve some of the highest classifications. This would appear to be the situation with 2021 graduates, all have achieved a Good (70-79%) evaluation or higher.

Al Quds University (9; 8 female students, 1 Male)

Architectural Engineering, Bio-Chemistry, Electrical Engineering, Dentistry, Medicine, Midwifery, Nursing and Pharmacy

Bethlehem University 2, 1 female and 1 male)

Accounting, Software Engineering

JAEP scholarships for 2021-2022



September is the time of year when we allocate funding to young people living in Dheisheh Palestinian Refugee Camp, Bethlehem to study at their local universities. Our scholarship allocations in previous years have been informed by conversations at Dheisheh and the universities both of whom recommend that the JAEP scholarship funds the majority of the tuition fees but not all. Each young person has always been encouraged to find more than one source of funding and for their families to contribute. The deteriorating situation, especially since March 2020, and the first national lockdown, has made both these harder to achieve, with the result that some of the students have accumulated tuition fee debts. Students have to clear the debt before they can graduate.

For 2020-2021 and again in 2021-2022 we have revisited our previous funding allocations and helped the students pay these debts, revisited (increased) the funding for some of our current scholars, and increased our funding for new students. We continue to fund each student for the duration of their course. The duration ranges from four years for the majority of courses to six years for medicine. The tuition fees per academic year range from £4288 for medicine to £1788 for nursing. The increase in funding allocated has been made possible because of the generous support we have received from many supporters.



JAEP is fortunate that our income has not been adversely impacted by Covid-19. For 2020-2021 and again in 2021-2022.

JAEP has allocated 13 new scholarships as follows:

Al Quds University (10; 7 Females and 3 Males):

Below is a list of the subjects being studied. The brackets following the subject indicate more than one student is studying the subject, Architectural Engineering, Business Administration, Economics and Finance, Bio-Chemistry, Dentistry, International Law and Human Rights, Medicine (2), Molecular Biology and Genetics, Nursing,

Bethlehem University (3; 2 Females and 1 Male):

Accounting (2), Nursing.

JAEP is continuing to support 19 students.

Al Quds University (17; 12 Females and 5 Males):

Business Administration (3), Dentistry (3), Electrical Engineering, Industrial Engineering, Medicine(4), Midwifery(2), Nursing(3)

Bethlehem University 2 female students:

Business Administration and Midwifery.

An update from Safa Dhaher Director of Financial Aid Department at Al Quds University. The department administers JAEP scholarships and organises trustee visits.



"The PA (Palestinian Authority) started the first campaign for public vaccination last year later than other countries due to financial matters. They started with those who are working in the health sector followed by other sectors. During that time staff at Al Quds University, received their first vaccine followed by the second one four weeks ago. Students came back to campus in September 2021 for face to face teaching. The only service we can give to our students, is to make sure they are using masks and the insistence of social distancing in lectures and cafes.

"Our students from the West Bank and East Jerusalem faced and are still facing many psychological problems due to staying at home and the e-learning policies"

Christmas cards 2021

A question we are often asked is how can I help? Standing orders are of course always welcome. Another very practical way you can help is to buy our Christmas cards or greeting cards.

The cards (5.25 inches square) are £5 for a pack of ten cards of the same design with envelopes. The message inside the card is Peace at Christmas.

The greetings cards (5.25 inches square) are £3.50 for a pack of five cards of the same design with envelopes. The card is blank inside for your own message.

We have ten designs to choose from. JAEP is very grateful to all who have donated their images to us.

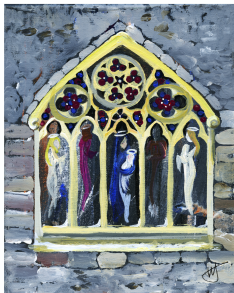
Three images, an Angel, Candle, the Madonna and Child, and the Manger were from decorations made by a Women's Cooperative in Bethlehem created from broken glass picked up in the streets of that town



Three images, Dormouse and Poinsettia were painted by water-colourist Bridgette James. John was a much-loved cousin



One image a Stained Glass Window was painted by Helen Harrison



Two images, Rudolph the reindeer and a sheep from Christmas decorations created by Cindy Cooper, Ipswich Road URC



One image, a Christmas Tree created by Alex Carron Brown, niece of a JAEP Trustee



Four greetings cards, Allium, Lilies, Thistle and Wisteria were painted by water-colourist Helen Harrison.

The cards are blank inside for your own message



This year cards can be bought at:

[Original Norwich Christmas Charity Card Shop \(ONCCCS\)](#)

[Located in St. Peter Mancroft NR2 1QQ](#)

Open from 19 October - 18 December
Monday - Saturday: 1030-1430

[Revelation Resource Centre](#)

Tuesday - Saturday: 1000-1600

[Norwich Cathedral Shop](#)

Monday - Saturday: 0915-1700
Sunday: 1145-1530

[St. John the Baptist Cathedral Shop](#)

Tuesday – Saturday 1030 - 1600

If you prefer we can post your order to you. You can order by email info@jaep.org.uk or phone 07976040971

We offer click and collect

Postage costs are:

1-2 packs £2.10

3 - 10 packs £3.85

11 - 20 packs £7.70

21 - 30 packs £11.50

Over 31 packs Free

Thank you very much for your continued support for JAEP.

Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for 2022

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