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FROM THE DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

Congratulations to Deputy Director Professor Ken Baldwin who has been selected as one of the Inaugural Public Policy Fellows of the new Institute of Public Policy. "The inaugural Fellows have been selected for their already very significant contributions to public policy and public understanding in areas as diverse as environment, health, finance and economics, defence, Indigenous affairs, population and international law," said ANU VC Professor Ian Young.

The Director will be holding informal meetings with all Departments over the coming weeks and months to discuss issues of importance for the School with staff and students, and to discuss any concerns that Departments or individuals may have. Arrangements are currently being made with each Department through DAs and HoDs.

The Director will be attending the ANSTO Workshop on the Second Guide Hall for the Opal Reactor from 16-18 April. Professor Ken Baldwin will be acting Director during this period.

STAFF MOVEMENTS

Electronic Materials Engineering

We say farewell to Occupational Trainee Manuel Buerzle. Manuel has been with us for 3 months from the University of Augsburg Germany

SCHOOL SEMINAR

From Femto-Chemistry to Atto-Physics: Time Resolves Atomic Reactions

Professor Anatoli Kheifets

Atomic and Molecular Physics Laboratories

Thursday 19 April, 4pm

Leonard Huxley Lecture Theatre

Refreshments will be held after the Seminar in the tearoom.

DEPARTMENTAL SEMINAR

Electronic Materials Engineering

Staff Meeting

Wednesday 18 April, 9.30 am

RSPE Link Seminar Room.

EDUCATION MATTERS

ALTC National Teaching Fellow Les Kirkup's workshop on Inquiry-Based Labs, held in the Physics Education Centre on Wednesday 11th April, was a great success. Twenty staff and students from RSPE, RSB, CECS, CAM and the Science Teaching and Learning Centre attended this hands-on workshop, which provoked lively discussion and some re-thinking of lab design, particularly at first year. Thanks to Mika Kohonen for setting up the labs ready for this event.

ALUMNI AND COMMUNITY RECEPTION

Research School of Physics and Engineering Alumni and Community Reception at the ANU Classics Museum: Launching a new era for the School

The incoming Director of the Research School of Physics and Engineering, Professor Stephen Buckman, warmly invites you and your partner to farewell outgoing Director, Professor Jim Williams AM, at the launch of new School development initiatives.

The evening will also include the launch of the Ben Williams Endowment Fund, established by Professor Williams and his family. The fund is intended to assist students enrolled in the School experiencing difficult circumstances, such as mental illness, disability, extended sickness, family or financial hardship, to continue and complete their studies.

The reception will be hosted at the ANU Classics Museum. Guides will be stationed throughout the museum from 5.30pm to provide short presentations and answer your questions.

Friday 4 May 2012

5.30 – 7.00pm (drinks & hors d'oeuvres from 5pm)

ANU Classics Museum

Ground floor, AD Hope Building (bldg. 14), end of Ellery Crescent, ANU Campus ([map](#))

Please RSVP to

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We look forward to seeing you there.