Hey! I'm Ruby (she/her), a first-year Biologist running to be your next JCR president. Aside from being preoccupied by plants and fangirling over fungi, you can often find me getting an incredible STACS coffee, or finding cute dogs in Uni Parks. Since arriving at Anne’s, I have adored being immersed in our friendly, non-pretentious community atmosphere – the vibes are truly immaculate.

Having been appointed head girl, prefect and equality representative, I have experience in organising student affairs and listening to the opinions of the community to ensure all voices are heard. Experience in Model United Nations conferences for advocacy of women’s rights has developed my ability to discuss and articulate ideas, hence the strong, women-led history of Anne’s resonates with me further. Since applying to Oxford as a woman in STEM and a Crankstart scholar, I have awareness of some of the unspoken difficulties of Oxford life. I am an approachable, down-to-earth and open-minded person, and therefore would be successful in this role.

My primary aims as JCR president are to listen to what the student body at Anne’s needs and ensure absolute clarity and transparency in presenting the decisions made by the JCR.

In line with the Anne’s values, I intend to maintain the progressive and supportive atmosphere that we all know and love by continuing the focus on welfare and mental health.

Reducing environmental impacts is something I am very passionate about as a Biology student. One aim as president would therefore be to make even more eco-friendly improvements to our college.

Maintaining our legacy of inclusivity is of paramount importance to me. Ensuring that BAME, LGBTQIA+ and international students, women and those from less advantaged backgrounds feel a sense of community is a high priority, and I will work with representatives to achieve this.

Other aims as President would be to increase our relationships with other colleges and the wider community, working with ENTZ reps to plan great socials and revamping the Danson room.

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