



# Niels van Fraassen for JCR Junior Treasurer

I am a second year engineer from the Netherlands and I have greatly enjoyed my first and a half year at Peterhouse. I think the JCR committee is a great way to get things done for undergrads at Peterhouse and I believe I can contribute to this by fulfilling the role of treasurer.

## Relevant Skills/Experience:

-At high school I followed a business economics course which looked into the book-keeping of societies and small sport clubs. Therefore I am familiar with producing **budgets and accounts** and working with spreadsheet programs such as **Microsoft Excel**.

-During my first year at university in the Netherlands I was treasurer for a group of 15 friends. This included opening a bank account, setting up a monthly savings scheme and dealing with bills and receipts for holidays, dinners and other activities.

-Since this year the tasks of the **amenities officer** have been added to the job of the Junior Treasurer. This means that the treasurer also needs to investigate and purchase new amenities for the JCR (like videogames, board games, new furniture etc..). I spend a lot of time in the JCR, which gives me a **good view** on what things are needed in the JCR.

## Things I would do:

-The JCR accounts of the past few years contain a column called '**anticipated expenditures**'. However, for the past few years this column has been empty. I would like to start using it again and thereby providing more clarity/transparency on how the allocated budgets are derived. Moreover it will give a better look into the financial performance of the treasurer and other JCR officers at the end of the year.

-Now the computer system has been upgraded and a new financial manager has been appointed, I would like to work on making it possible to **view your college account online** (bar/hall spending). This requires a large co-ordination of many different areas of college and will therefore be hard to achieve in one year, but I can promise I will try my best!

-Investigate what **new amenities** are needed in the **new JCR**, taking into account different views from all junior members in college (i.e. hold consultations).