



SciTech Update

News and resource spotlights for the Faculties of Technology and Science

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Fir—bulous!



Possibly the largest tree we've ever had in the atrium—getting the angel on top was interesting! Health and Safety concerns meant it was decorated not once but twice. We hope you enjoy the festive spirit it creates in the Library.

Harvest

There's a new edition of the Library's newsletter *Harvest* at:
<http://www.port.ac.uk/library/news/harvest/>

With articles about the Body in the Library, how Twitter is much more than 140 characters, resources for industrial development in 19th USA, and those mysterious QR codes, there's lots here of interest and plenty of information for you to explore further. Let us know what you think



New Reading List Software

We now have **Aspire**, our new reading list software in place. All lists have been moved from the old system to this one.

You can search for lists in Aspire from the Library homepage 'Reading Lists' tab or go to the Aspire home page: <http://lists.lib.portsmouth.ac.uk/index.html>

Existing links to Talis List from within Victory will still work, however the content will no longer be updated. Academic staff are advised to create new links from their Victory units to the migrated lists in Aspire.

We believe this will improve both the student experience of reading lists and the staff experience! Don't forget that you can send your reading lists to the Library and we'll do the work of making them live and linked to resources where appropriate.

Let us know what you think of the new software.



Exam Papers

The Library will only be maintaining the exam paper database <http://www.port.ac.uk/library/online/exampapers/> for one more year and will be removing it in August 2011 as individual Victory units now provide better repositories for past papers.

Opening hours

Vacation opening hours can be found here:

<http://www.port.ac.uk/library/essentials/open/>

Don't forget that we'll be closed with the rest of the University from Friday 24th December—Tuesday 4th January.