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To all supporters,
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Dear Friends,

... a bit is a difference that makes a difference (Bateson 1978)

Decreasing government support means that students without independent means may think twice before accepting a place at University. Some current students are forced to drop out when their financial burdens become too great.

The School seeks to ensure that the most outstanding students study here, irrespective of their backgrounds or financial circumstances, giving them the opportunity to excel at their studies, and become the leaders of tomorrow. We have set up the Informatics Student Support Fund to help students facing financial difficulties.

The fund will support students in two ways:

Access bursaries enable those with ability and potential who face financial hardship without our support, to benefit from Higher Education.

Student travel grants help promising undergraduate and postgraduate students to travel to conferences, seminars or other events that can help them achieve the best in their studies.

By giving a bit today you can have a big effect on the future, which our students will help to create. Online *bytesize giving* makes this easy and effective.

Please visit <http://www.inf.ed.ac.uk/bytesize/> now if you want to make a difference.

With best wishes for the new year,

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