



The Crypt School Parent Teacher Association

Parents, Teachers and Friends

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Minutes of Committee Meeting 12th September 2023

Venue: Sports Classroom, The Crypt School

1.	Present Gayle Stott (GS) Steve Burn (SB) Claire Richards (CR) Claire Berry (CB)	Sarah Riordan-Jones (SRJ) Claire Gooch (CG)	
	Apologies Pauline Rudkin-Mclaren Martin Berrill (MB)	Hazel Wasley (HW) Tracy Scott (TS)	
2.	Minutes of the previous meeting 13th June 2023 - Approved		
3.	Treasurers Report The last report is up to 31 August 2022. The non uniform account currently shows £13k. with £42,500 in the uniform account. We await a further £9k from Monkhouse which is part funds for the handover of the uniform stock.		
4.	Matters Arising including Wish List No bids received		
5.	School Report Received from N Dyer, Headmaster. Dear Committee, My thanks for your hard work and support of the work of the CSPTA across last year, and of the School. I am sorry I wasn't able to attend your meeting cycle, and my apologies for being absent this evening as well. This year, I propose that I share attendance at your meetings with Paulina Bright - we will alternate, to (try to) ensure a School representative is present at each of the meetings. I know that Hazel will try to attend whenever she can too. Firstly, it is good to be back at school as Headmaster; although I did return in late February, I was only part-time and Phil Stanlake remained in charge. I am so grateful to Phil for his leadership of the school last year, which enabled the School to achieve such success in the recently published GCSE and A Level exams. The results were outstanding, and particularly so given the fall in top grades nationally. Our Year 13 leavers progressed		

	onto a variety of university courses, apprenticeships and employment positions. Well done to them all. It has inevitably been a busy start to the new school year: we have over 150 in the new Year 7, and over 165 in the new Year 12 - I believe the School is the biggest it has even been a number of new colleagues joined us this term, and they all appear to have made a very firm start to their Crypt careers; we will celebrate our students' success at Speech Day on Wednesday; the 11+ test day takes place on Saturday, with record numbers of Year 6 attending; much work was carried out over the summer to improve the school facilities – a new physics lab, and an old biology one upgraded; all the older classrooms in the old school building upper corridor were refurbished; the fire damaged DT room was renovated and other more routine improvements occurred. We welcomed Gemma Hargarves into school as our new Deputy Head - pastoral - to replace Richard Salt. She has settled in very well and I am sure will make a hugely positive contribution to our school life. This year, whilst we intend to continue to focus on academic success, pastoral care and ensuring lots of opportunities for students to get involved in wider school life, we also wish to: • ensure all students have improved revision skills • focus more on continued assessment in the classroom, rather than formal marking • develop literacy skills further • strengthen our work with local primary schools, through a new outreach programme • enhance our scholarship programme in the VI form • ensure that Crypt is a great environment to work within • review our accommodation, to consider investment priorities: - sixth form - pastoral accommodation - music rooms Thank you for your continued support of the School.	
6.	Future Activities/Events Refreshments: Gayle and Pauline happy to run refreshments but more help is needed to run evening events. Discussion focussed on what to do going forward with evening events. Events: Christmas Fair to be held on 1st December 2023. A planning meeting to be held on Tuesday 3rd October to discuss arrangements. Quiz: to be moved to February 2024. Christmas & Easter chocolate raffle If any parent/carers is able to help out at these events please contact the CSPTA at cspta@cryptschool.org.	
7.	School Clothing Sales Uniform bank account still live as secondhand uniform transactions ongoing. We have confirmed we will sell a max of £3k worth of secondhand uniform. Action: Take photos of stock available.	
8.	Car Boot Sales Sadly due to insufficient volunteers we are unable to hold the car boot sales. CB to put note on car boot page to advise. Discuss on 3 October.	

9. 200 Club

The 200 Club is a monthly raffle open to all and it particularly suits parents and carers who want to support the CSPTA but live just too far away to help out at sales and functions. Numbers cost £1 each and there is no restriction on how many you can buy. Half the monthly takings are paid out in prizes. Club fees are made via Standing Order and the form is available on the CSPTA section of the school website. Remember, the money raised all goes to benefit Crypt students. To join our 200 Club please email:

cspta.200club@cryptschool.org

Jun 23		
1 st	R Allan-Bowdery	£50
2 nd	D Gubbins	£40
3 rd	A Collingwood	£30
4 th	H Chizari	£20
5 th	K Hall	£20
6 th	R Moore	£15
7 th	L Li	£10
8 th	K Short	£10

Jul 23		
1 st	S Brown	£50
2 nd	K Evans	£40
3 rd	M Kennedy	£30
4 th	E Hope	£20
5 th	J Edgeworth-Simmonds	£20
6 th	A Crasto	£15
7 th	S Williams	£10
8 th	N McKerrow	£10

Aug 23		
1 st	M Collick	£50
2 nd	A Kawczynski	£40
3 rd	S Jones	£30
4 th	J Gibson	£20
5 th	C Carter	£20
6 th	A Watson	£15
7 th	C Defausse	£10
8 th	G Shorland	£10

Sep 23		
1 st	A Klee	£50
2 nd	J&K Dundas	£40
3 rd	S Cheese	£30

	4 th	L Green	£20	
	5 th	MC Rai	£20	
	6 th	L Price	£15	
	7 th	V Brannan	£10	
	8 th	J Porre & M Altairac	£10	
10.	Fundraising & Marketing			
	Upcoming vacancies in the CSPTA team was discussed as a number of parents have stepped down now their children have left school. This is a really good way for parents to engage with their child's school. Please contact the CSPTA if you think you may be able to join the Group. If any parent/carers is able to help out at future events please contact the CPSTA at cspta@cryptschool.org.			

Chairman: Claire Berry Vice Chairman: Claire Gooch
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