



The Crypt School Parent Teacher Association

Parents, Teachers and Friends

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Minutes of Committee Meeting 20th February 2023

Venue: Sports Classroom, The Crypt School

1.	Present Steve Burn (SB) Claire Berry (CB) Claire Richards (CR) Sharon Byfield (SB) Indu Arza (IA)	Sarah Riordan-Jones (SRJ) Paulina Bright (PB) Gayle Stott (GS) Claire Gooch (CG) Tracy Scott (TS) Steve Scott (SS)	
2.	Apologies Pauline Rudkin-Mclaren (PR)	Maryna Bentley (MB)	
3.	Minutes of the previous meeting 16th January 2023 SRJ to email minutes for approval. We are delighted to welcome some new members to the Group – Sharon Byfield and Steve Scott, who we are hoping to replace Sarah Riordan-Jones as Secretary, and Steve Burn as Treasurer when they step down in June. Both have children in the lower school so hopefully will have many years of CSPTA contributions to offer. Thank you both.		
4.	Treasurers Report SB presented the accounts as at end January 2024. The non uniform current account currently shows a balance of £15k, with an expenditure this month of £1,000 towards F1 spends and the recent music department bid from Julian Whittaker having come out. We hold a balance of approx. £48.5k in the uniform account, receiving 2 nd hand uniform sales of £66. We await NDs bid for the school hall decoration costs if the schools building bid is approved together with a school bid for the Wall Art.		
5.	Matters Arising including Wish List A further bid was received from Julian Whittaker from Music to fund a music subscription. The CSPTA do not normally fund recurring costs, such as licences and subscriptions however following a vote, it was decided to approve the £350 bid as this supports students at all levels of music across the whole school. Action: SB to advise Julian Whittaker.		

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6.	School Report PB gave the school report. Last term was a very smooth one at the school. The year 13 mocks started and are running this week as well. All the DofE meetings have taken place now. The details for the South African trip are accessible online now. The Heart Starters event for Y8 went extremely well so they should all know about using resuscitation techniques. The Y10s really enjoyed a trip to the University of Bath. We held a wonderful primary school sporting event. Henley was the winning House last term, and its members went to laser tag as a treat. We had one of our students reach the final for the British Economics Olympiad. The parent and student survey results were very positive – some points highlighted are being addressed, including pressures of the internet, and reading. Staff recruitment is going well, having filled the history maternity cover, whilst advertising for Drama, Maths and another maternity leave. – recruiting for drama and English, together with Dean Baldwin taking up a new post at another school. And Alison Peake is retiring. There are also 2 maternity leavers within Maths and History coming up. We are short of midday supervisors and cleaning staff.	
6.	Future Activities/Events/Fundraising The CSPTA will be supporting the next open morning, 20th March, and the spring concert being held on 21st March. We will be running our second Easter raffle – last years was a real success so will be continuing this with one prize per school year. Look out for tickets soon! Easyfundraising – we have had a good uptake of parents signing up to easyfundraising – thank you. As a reminder, it is very easy to do: • Register with www.easyfundraising.org.uk • Say you want to support the “Crypt School Association” (This is the PTA’s official charity name) • Download the toolbar • When you shop, click “activate donation” and that’s it! A great choice of websites will make a donation after your payment is processed, for example; M&S, Next, John Lewis, Amazon, Hotels.com, Cineworld, Argos, Dominos, Etsy, Photobox, eBay, Groupon & many more. You make your online purchases & the organisations donate to us. There’s no extra cost to you!	
8.	School Clothing Sales The new app for secondhand uniform is live. We have filled a small number of orders since Christmas. We discussed advertising the site on the parents Facebook page, in the weekly Heads letter and on the school website. Action: CR/CG to contact Hannah Attwood/Gordon Taylor to add piece to the website.	CR /CG

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200 Club

We now have 400 numbers and prizes are up to £195 per month. Need to do further promotion – SB to send details to Sue Wales in readiness for the new Yr7 and Yr12 intake packs.

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

Feb 23 – Winners		
Congratulations! – look out for a cheque in the post		
1 st	H Chizari	£50
2 nd	A Collingwood	£40
3 rd	L Bastock	£30
4 th	R Sanders	£20
5 th	E Walters	£20
6 th	J Brown	£15
7 th	F Roberts	£10
8 th	N McKerrow	£10

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Our next meeting includes the AGM on Tues 19th March at 6.30pm in the Sports block. And, again, is open to all school parents/carers.

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Date of next meeting – 2023/24 dates

Please come and join us!!

Tues 19 th March & AGM	Tues 16 th April	Tues 14 th May	Tues 11 th June
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Chairman: Claire Berry Vice Chairman: Claire Gooch
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