



**Welcome!**

to Crypt School Association (CSA) – an essential part of the Crypt School community.

Our purpose is to support the School where we are able to. This is mainly done by providing additional funding but we also help by running the School Uniform Shop and providing refreshments at social events, plays, concerts and meetings.

In recent years we have raised over **£80,000** for the school allowing us to donate **£20,000** to the Science School bid and new Sports Hall, **£5,000** to transform the Dining Hall and in 2008 another **£25,000** on refurbishing the School Hall. A further **£10,000** was donated to buy equipment in the new John and Joan Cook Centre and last year **£10,000** was given to the Heads of Departments to spend on their departments – including a **£2,000** bowling machine for the Sports Department!! This year we are in the process of approving a spend of over **£20,000** on items requested by departments within the school. These include **£5,600** on G & T Screen – Weather Station; Eco Award/Food – Benches; Music – update software; PD – Printers A3; MFL – Display boards; RE – Notice boards and artefact storage tray; Geography – thermometers; PEd – Education Kits; History – ICT interactive resource; Chemistry – Colorimeters. For around **£15,000** we also hope to replace the existing mini bus which is now 16 years old!

As you have a boy in the school (or a daughter in the “6<sup>th</sup> form”) you are automatically a member of the CSA so please help us support the school. Any help is really appreciated. You can find out how you can help by coming to one of our monthly meetings or contacting our secretary, Kay Searle via e-mail on [csa@cryptschool.org](mailto:csa@cryptschool.org) or by leaving a message with the School Reception on 01452-530291. If you can't make any of the meeting then don't worry as minutes are taken and these are sent to all Y7 and Y8 parents. Copies will also be e-mailed to everyone who is on our database and by Parent Mail. Check out our website [www.cryptschool.org/csa](http://www.cryptschool.org/csa) and see what else we do and where else you can help us.

### News in brief....

- CSA close to approving £20k + spend for 2011
- **£1,500 earned by CSA at April Car Boot Sale**
- Volunteers needed to help run remaining Car Boots
- **Uniform Day -10<sup>th</sup> July 2011 when you can also meet members of the CSA. Refreshments will be available!**
- Helen Brown's taking over from Sally-Ann in 200 Club
- **New two tone training shirts being introduced for 2011**
- **£3,000** raised at May Fayre with help from CSA
- **Non Uniform Day raised nearly £800. Thank you for supporting this event..**

### Ideas for Fundraising?

Please give us your ideas for fundraising - we're always open to suggestions. You can e-mail them to us at [csa@cryptschool.org](mailto:csa@cryptschool.org) or leave a note at Reception - better still come along to one of the monthly meetings. Also, how you'd like to spend the money you raise...

# 2011

## CSA

## News letter



### CAR BOOT SALES



Our Car Boot Sales are one of the most popular ones in Gloucester and one of our biggest earners raising over **£5,000** each year. Sales are run by un-paid CSA volunteers with every penny raised coming back to support the school. Please come and help with traffic management as it takes about 12 staff to run a sale successfully and this is one of our main sources of income for the school.

- Gates open at 8.00 am.
- Charges: Cars £5; trailers £3; vans £10.
- **FREE** parking for buyers. Disabled parking available.

Sorry - strictly no Traders or Dogs.

The dates for 2011 are: -

Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April – **raised over £1,500!! Thanks everyone!! A few more like that and we'll be able to buy another mini bus!**  
 Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May                      Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June  
 Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July                      Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August  
 Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September

Dates for 2012 will be available after Christmas. For further details about helping please contact Tim Mayo, Rich Allen or Rob Hunt at [csa@cryptschool.org](mailto:csa@cryptschool.org) or at the school reception

### 200 CLUB

The Crypt 200 Club is drawn monthly and is open to anyone who purchases numbers.

Numbers cost £1 each and there is no limit on many numbers you can buy. The monthly prizes are currently £50, £30 & £20. We normally collect the entry fees through Standing Order and a form is available on the CSA website which is [www.cryptschool.org/csa/200club](http://www.cryptschool.org/csa/200club). Just complete & return the form & we do the rest. If you prefer we can accept payments for 12 months in advance by cheque or cash. Draws are made each month at the CSA committee meetings and winners are notified by post.

Good news - so far Sally-Ann and her team have raised over £2,000 this year (fantastic effort everyone!) and remember - all money raised goes to benefit the students.

Bad news – Sally-Ann is leaving us after four years in charge so we need to find a replacement. Could you help us? If so please get in touch. **JUST IN** - Helen Brown's offered to take over...! Thanks Helen.



## Top tips for parents and students:



- To get 5 diagonal stripes on your tie
- the school will show you a video
- during induction.
- Insurance for pupils for school trips is covered by Local Authority Insurance
- Mobile telephone policy - if a mobile is seen in any lesson then it will be confiscated and given to the Head of Year for collection at the end of the week. If parents want their sons to have a phone with them for home time, we are happy to keep it safe in the office.
- Absence procedure - Telephone in on first morning of absence and also write in homework diary
- Lost property - EVERYTHING must be named. Anything brought to the office named will be returned to the pupils. We advise students to check everywhere they have been, check lost property by the PE office.
- Pastoral care - the first point of contact for any concern is the Form Tutor, from there the Head of Year (Mrs. Seymour), then Assistant Head 14-19 (Mr. Courtenay). There is a counsellor who comes in to see students, which is usually on a referral basis by the Form Tutor or Head of Year; all sessions are confidential and voluntary.
- Security of valuables - these must not be left in your blazer during DT or PE. There is a valuables box for PE, or things can be handed into the office for safekeeping.
- Bike security - there is a new compound, and all bikes should be put in the compound and locked.
- Parental communication is via the planner, or letters home from Head of Year.
- There is a pay phone in reception; it is helpful for boys to have 20p on them to phone home in an emergency.
- When a pupil needs to leave school during the day, e.g. dentist, doctor, parents should write a note to the Form Tutor, who signs the note. The pupil collects a 'Permission to Leave' slip from the reception, and when they have to leave they show the letter and slip to the subject teacher, who signs it, they then go to reception to be signed out. No student should ever leave the school site without first signing out.
- Reception does have some money to 'lend' to students, in case they lose or forget lunch or bus money. We ask that this money is repaid the following day. If students do not repay debts, they get blacklisted and we won't lend them any more!!

## UNIFORM SHOP

The CSA run the School Uniform Shop selling the official school uniform. Located at the school, the shop is open from 1pm to 2pm every Monday (term time only).



If you cannot make it to the shop, then please:

- download and complete an order form from our website
- send it with your payment to the School Office with cheques payable to 'The Crypt School'

Orders can be collected from the School Office

For further details please contact Donna and Erica via CSA. Alternatively telephone Donna on 07981 - 063278 or e-mail her on [donna@sc5.co.uk](mailto:donna@sc5.co.uk)

## QUIZ NIGHT

Great fun for all the family and the first opportunity for new parents and boys to have a get together and compare notes after the first few weeks at school. Loads of banter with the Quiz Master dishing out 20p fines for the worst offences! A fun night with nearly £400 added to the CSA fund.

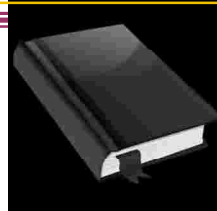


Next Quiz Night – September 2011 - Date tbc

# WANTED

We need someone to help organise our **Car Boot Sales** so if you think you could help (don't worry we'll explain how it all works!?) please get in touch or come along to the next PTA meeting to see what's involved...

**Please get in touch - we can't do this on our own**



## Diary Matters

### Administration – 2011/12

Dates for CSA Meetings are:-

'11 Tuesday 21 June '11  
Wednesday 13 July '11

The provisional dates for 2011/12 are as follows:-

Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> September '11	Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October '11
Wednesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November '11	Tuesday 13 <sup>th</sup> December '11
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> January '12	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> February '12
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> March '12	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> April '12
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> May '12	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> June '12
Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July '12	

These will be confirmed on the website as soon as possible

## Fund Raising

- 2011 Car Boots Sales – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> August Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept
- Quiz Night – September 2011 - TBC
- Non Uniform Day – October 2011 - TBC
- Annual Cake Sale – TBC

Please bring us your ideas...

## Activities and Events

The CSA also provides refreshments at Events hosted by the School. Although Lin and Alison have a team of helpers they are always looking for new recruits to help cover the dozen or so functions there are each year. Please contact Lin or Alison if you would be able to help



**Thank you!!** We would like to thank everyone for their support this last year - especially Darren Hughes, Judith Muir and Karen Durbidge who have all recently stepped down from running various sections of our CSA. A small presentation was made to each in respect of all their time and dedication to the CSA over the years. NCPTA perks – other members who've helped are now benefitting from perks offered by the NCPTA including substantial discounts to theme parks and similar days out. For further details contact the committee or go to [www.ptalocal.co.uk](http://www.ptalocal.co.uk) and check it out

# Crypt School Association - Parents, Teachers and Friends

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