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A Remarkable Year of Community & Support

As we reach the end of the Summer Term, it is wonderful to look back on what has been a truly dynamic academic year. The SHSG Parents' Association has been busier than ever, and the sense of community within our school has never been stronger.

This year, the PA successfully supported six major school events spanning over ten evenings. From providing refreshments at concerts to coordinating raffles and discos, these events are more than just fundraisers—they are the heartbeat of our school social life. We have seen our community come together to support the Winter Concerts, the School Birthday, Cabaret shows, Big Band and our popular Year 7 icebreaker discos.

None of this would be possible without our dedicated PA members. To those who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes—setting up bars, sorting raffle prizes, and giving up their evenings—thank you. Your commitment directly translates into better opportunities for our students.

Impact: Where Your Contributions Go

Thanks to your generosity and the hard work of our volunteers, we have been able to pledge and provide significant funding of over £8,000 for resources that enhance every corner of school life. This year's highlights include:

- Science & Maths A new sound system, digital flip books, peak flow meters, maths books and resources.
- The Arts & Humanities: Vital new music instruments and equipment, key resources for Economics and Business Studies, a Sony Vlog Camera for Media Studies.
- Extra Curricular activities: Significant improvements to the Sixth Form common area, Duke of Edinburgh (DoE) equipment and contributions toward the Year 11 Prom.

Look out for the student/teacher testimonials for the donations on the PA Facebook page!

Welcoming Our New Committee

We are entering a new chapter as we say a heartfelt thank you to Mary Canet-Espi for her dedicated service as PA Chair, Sam Coutts, Johanne Hoad and Claire Sims for their support of the PA over the years. We are delighted to announce our new PA committee and roles:

- Christina Chan – Chair
- Neil Hodgson - Treasurer
- Belinda Bathurst – Secretary
- Shawna Ferens – Events Organiser
- Gordon Bathurst – 200 Club Secretary
- Charlie Sawyer – Pre-loved Uniform Co-ordinator
- Amanda Zanchi – Prize Co-ordinator
- Andrew Jordan – Committee Member
- Amanda Hall - Committee Member
- Myrin Bruno - Committee Member

We would also like to give special thanks to Neil Hodgson who has been our PA Treasurer for the last few years. Neil will be handing over the baton in the new academic year.

We have seen a fantastic surge of interest from parents wishing to join the PA recently and we will contact those who have shown interest on how they can support. Meanwhile, our door is always open. Whether you can offer an hour at a raffle stall or want to join the committee and take on a key role, your "fresh eyes" and ideas are what keep us moving forward.

Looking Ahead: A Winter Ball!

We are already planning an ambitious and exciting calendar for the next academic year. Alongside our traditional favourites, we are thrilled to announce we are planning a Winter Ball for parents. This will be a wonderful opportunity to dress up, celebrate, and socialize while raising funds. Stay tuned for dates and ticket details in September!

Please Support Our Fundraising Initiatives

There are many fundraising opportunities which you can support us effortlessly throughout the year:

1. Easyfundraising: Register at easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/shsg to earn us commission while you shop online at NO COST to you.
2. 200 Club: Join our internal lottery for just £12 a year for a chance to win monthly cash prizes (Please see attached flyer). Lookout for payment details in Parentpay or contact shsg200club@yahoo.com for more details.
3. Name Labels: Order from *Stikins* (Code: 18317) or *Stamptastic* (Code: SS24UZ) to ensure lost property finds its way home while earning the PA 30% commission.

We wish you all a restful and sun-filled summer break!

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