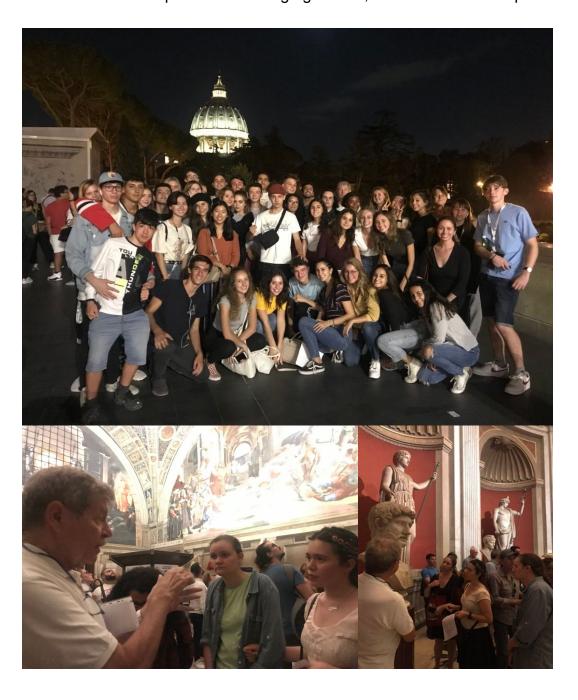


# Boarding Department E-Newsletter 2

## **Highlights from Last Weekend**

We kicked off our weekend with a nighttime tour and treasure hunt in the Vatican Museums lead by Roman historian and Medieval-Renaissance history teacher Michael Brouse. This year's treasure hunt had not one but two winners who successfully answered all fifteen questions! After an evening of treasure hunting, the only logical conclusion was a trip to the Old Bridge gelateria, one of our favorite spots!



## The Amazing Race Around Rome!

On Saturday, all boarders participated in the annual boarding treasure hunt. Clues led students from the Fountain of the Four Rivers in the center of Piazza Navona to the secret Passetto in the corner of Campo de' Fiori.







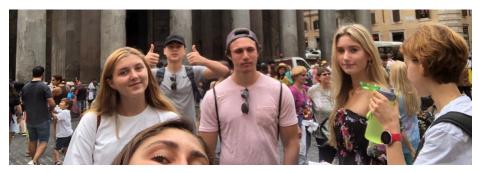












On Saturday evening, after a barbecue dinner on the terrace, the students had the chance to visit the boarding faculty apartments. For two hours, students traveled in groups to different faculty apartments, enjoying a unique dessert at each stop!









Sunday started with an optional food walk through the Testaccio neighborhood, which gave boarders the chance to sample some Trapizzini (an SSS favorite). Later in the afternoon, all students participated in a park cleanup service activity, for which they were rewarded with gelato, of course. The time-honored annual Room Awards competition took place Sunday night, with prizes spanning a wide array of categories (Most Neat, Most Zen, Minimalist, Biggest Contrast between Roommates, and so on). All halls were open as students and faculty had the opportunity to admire one another's living quarters and interior design capabilities. In what is likely a boarding first, we bore witness to a hammock slung between bunk beds!



#### What's On This Weekend

This weekend we will embark on our annual trip to Sperlonga, a lovely seaside town about two hours south of Rome. On Friday night there will be dinner in advisory groups, a friendship pin activity and our annual all-boarding talent show on the beach. On Saturday, we will visit the archaeological museum as well as Tiberius' Grotto. Boarders will stay in cabins on the beach, with plenty of opportunities to explore the town, eat well, and of course, play in the water. Remind your kids to stay hydrated!

#### **Useful Information**

- 1. Please make travel arrangements for the dates <u>listed here</u>.
- 2. Supply & Expense Account Information:

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