



**ST. STEPHEN'S**  
**SCHOOL** *Rome, Italy*

ANNUAL  
REPORT  
**2018**

# Overview

BY ERIC MAYER, HEAD OF SCHOOL

We began the year having achieved our successful enrollment target of 295 students, including a full boarding program (47 students). Hailing from 55 countries, our student body is more diverse than ever. That richness emerges daily in classrooms and hallways, aided by the fact that we adopted the theme of “Cultural Heritage” this year. Amongst a series of activities to engage this theme, we planned a “nontraditional education day” in January, where morning classes were replaced by a series of workshops on class, gender, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, and body. Providing students and teachers with the chance to learn *from* one another and to learn *about* one another proved invaluable.



As you would expect, the St. Stephen's classroom continues to reflect dynamism and passion. A five-year molecular biology project, coordinated by a Roman genetics lab, is giving our students university-level scientific opportunities. Our enhanced classics program, *The Lyceum*, continues to bring scholars to campus and to fund our students traveling to distant classical sites and conferences (in April, they will be in Athens). A new *Writing Center* provides students with one-to-one tutoring to help produce quality written assignments for any class, including the sciences.

The *IB Art Show* is being hung as I write this, concluding two years of extraordinary effort (for the first time ever, the cover of *Wanted in Rome* features a St. Stephen's student composition). Active in robotics and coding, our students recently won the international RoboMed competition featuring dozens of schools from the Mediterranean basin.

Service continues to play an important role in our school. In addition to the 20 service clubs, our students have chosen to lead the city-wide Campaign for Plastic

Reduction, a two-year initiative by all the international schools in the city. At the annual gathering of educators from Rome's 18 international schools (hosted this year at St. Stephen's), our students delivered the first-ever student keynote address as we launched the campaign for eliminating plastic.

Athletics are alive and well at St. Stephen's. To compete more frequently, we have created a new athletic league in the city. Additionally, we continue to host international tournaments here in Rome and to travel as far as Milan and



other northern destinations for regional tournaments.

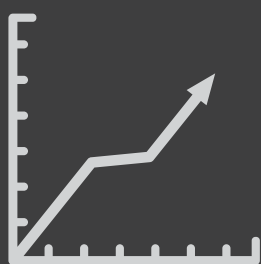
On the horizon are two exciting projects. To better prepare our students for the IB, while also making the most of the city of Rome, we are redesigning the 9th- and 10th-grade curriculum. All students will now have either Latin, Greek, or Arabic in 9th grade, as well as a two-year *City of Rome* course. Students will also have art all four semesters of their 9th/10th-grade sequence. Shifts in all departments bring other exciting reforms as we move towards skills-based and standards-

based teaching and learning. The other rousing development is the probability that we will have our own archaeological dig in our backyard. The land just behind the courts has buried ruins from Republican, Imperial, Medieval, and 19th century Rome, and we have obtained city permission to partner with a local state school, Liceo Socrate, and several archaeological associations, to begin a dig as soon as this fall (pending successful fundraising).

The school is in a good place. The finances are in order, the physical plant

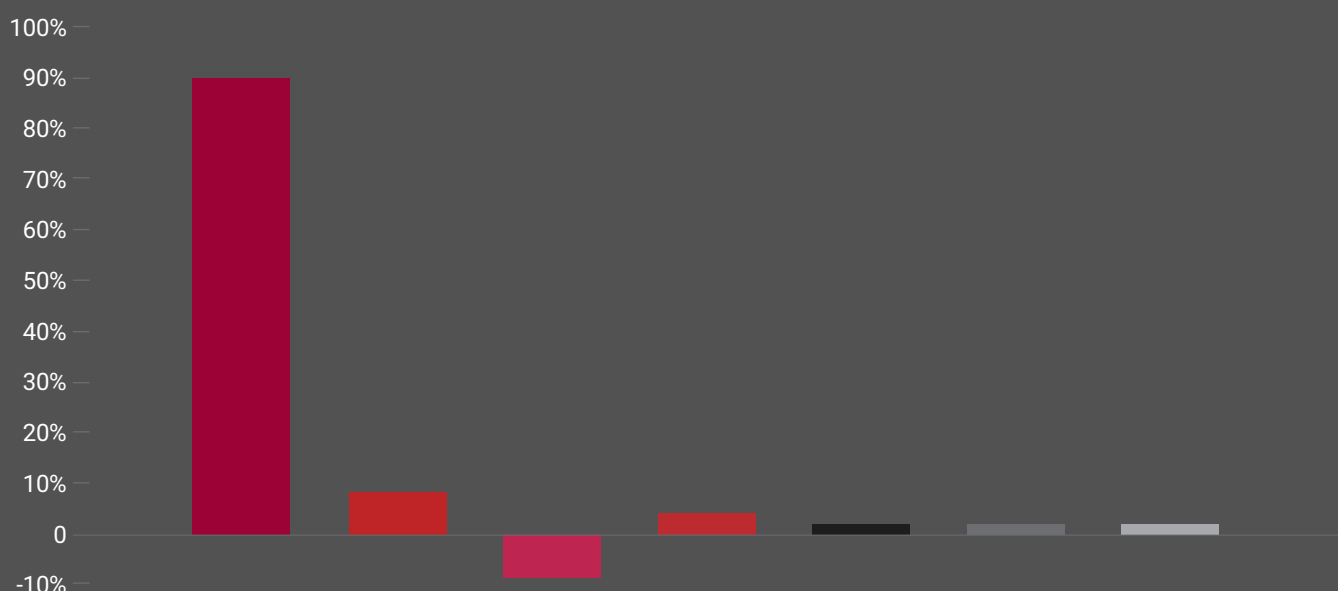


is sound, and we have an extraordinary faculty and staff. Please come for a visit soon, and soak in the goodness that is St. Stephen's School.



# Financial Overview 2017-2018

## STUDENT REVENUES



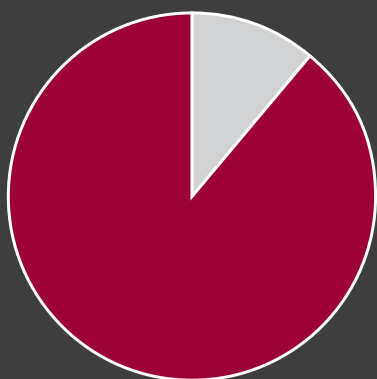
	2017-18 Euro '000		2016-17 Euro '000		Difference Euro '000	% Increase
TUITION FEES day students	7,217.20	93%	7,034.20	90%	183.00	3%
BOARDING FEES	627.00	8%	598.80	8%	28.20	5%
FINANCIAL AID	-607.20	-8%	-560.00	-7%	- 47.20	8%
LUNCH FEES	336.00	4%	336.10	4%	- 0.10	0%
CAPITAL ASSESSMENT FEES	195.00	2%	201.00	3%	- 6.00	-3%
OTHER FEES	138.70	2%	37.90	0%	100.80	266%
IB EXAMS FEES	153.20	2%	154.20	2%	- 1.00	-1%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,059.90</b>	<b>103%</b>	<b>7,802.20</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>257.70</b>	<b>3%</b>

## TOTAL COSTS

	2017-18 Euro '000		2016-17 Euro '000		% Increase
PERSONNEL COSTS	5,163.30	62%	4,708.50	60%	10%
STUDENT ACTIVITIES	524.60	6%	539.40	7%	-3%
OTHER SERVICES TO STUDENTS	530.70	6%	510.00	7%	4%
OCCUPANCY AND UTILITIES	617.00	7%	683.50	9%	-10%
MARKETING AND DEVELOPMENT	472.20	6%	352.40	5%	34%
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	727.70	9%	802.40	10%	-9%
DEPRECIATION	228.60	3%	228.60	3%	0%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,264.10</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>7,824.80</b>	<b>100%</b>	<b>6%</b>

## PERSONNEL COSTS

	2017-18 Euro '000	2016-17 Euro '000	Difference Euro '000	% Increase
SALARIES	3,826.00	3,496.00	330.00	9%
SOCIAL CONTRIBUTION	1,017.40	899.40	118.00	13%
T.F.R.	319.90	313.10	6.80	2%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5,163.30</b>	<b>4,708.50</b>	<b>454.80</b>	<b>10%</b>



## FINANCIAL AID

	2017-18 Euro '000	2016-17 Euro '000
DAY STUDENTS	527.00	499.00
BOARDERS	80.00	61.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>607.00</b>	<b>560.00</b>

# Admissions 2018

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