

# Governor's Annual Report 2021-2022



**St Catherine's  
British School**  
*Excellence and Happiness*





# Headteacher's Introduction



The academic year 2021 – 2022 was yet another year of ongoing challenge and adaptation for everyone at St Catherine's British School as "normality" began to return gradually to our lives. However, the number of COVID cases did not altogether subside as staff and student absences continued throughout the year requiring flexibility and assimilation from the whole school community. Nevertheless, both our IB and GCSE students produced some excellent public examination results – these were

especially noteworthy given that these cohorts were the first to sit the actual examinations in over two years! It is also important to note the implications of Brexit are beginning to see a shift in the Higher Education destinations of our IB graduates – we have seen a reduction from around 80% to 50% of our cohort heading to the UK (see page 11)! This is not unique to Greece – this is impacting on Careers Guidance programmes throughout Europe!

2021 – 2023 also saw the potential of our new building begin to be exploited to great effect. The fabulous theatre – described by people in the know as the best theatre in northern Athens – saw live events for the first time. We hosted two outstanding student conferences: our first Model United Nations event on the theme of "Reducing Global Inequalities" and a CAS organized TedX youth experience on the theme of "Change". And of course, our young musicians and thespians alike relished the opportunity to perform in an arena where sound and lighting truly reflected their talents. "Diana of Dobsons" was an outstanding opening production for the theatre whilst the concert inspired by Mikis Theodorakis proved a super showcase for our prodigious musical talent.

As you will read later in this report, we focus a great deal on "Learning through Philanthropy". As a not-for-profit charity, St Catherine's has Public Benefit as an integral part of our charitable status and philanthropic activity across the whole school flourished throughout the year. The pupils of St Catherine's raised over €12,000 for both local and international charities – an incredible effort along with donations in kind which added greatly to this effort. Additionally, a major PTSA/School collaboration saw us raise over €25,000 towards a new Fire Responder Vehicle for the local Volunteer Firefighters – due reward for such a vital service here in Greece.

One of the enduring features of St Catherine's British School is our very low staff turnover in comparison to other international schools across the globe – this indicates not only a core strength of the school but also the fact that Greece is a great place to live!

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Indeed, the year saw the retirements of some dedicated long-serving members of staff: Hedy Karmios - Upper School German teacher; Ersie Petridou - Lower School Librarian; Gerrie Westerink - Reception Class teacher and three Learning Support Assistants in the Lower School: Amanda Kakatou, Sarah Trevelyan and Amanda Martopoulou-Smith. Together they have contributed over 100 years of dedicated service to St Catherine's - thank you to them all! We also bade farewell to our Head of Lower School Madeleine Matthews at the end of the year. "Maddy" joined us in 2015 and made an invaluable contribution to the leadership of the school during a time of huge change. She oversaw the reconfiguration of the Lower School as the Upper School moved on to the new site and she managed the enormous dislocation caused by COVID with typical resilience and calm - but most importantly she never lost sight of the wellbeing of all our pupils - indeed her whole school contribution to Safeguarding was particularly significant. Another post-Brexit concern has been the issue of recruitment - however it has not impacted on our popularity with staff and families alike! Alexia Sandis, our Admissions Registrar, remains extremely busy all year round with applications from home and abroad whilst our advertisements for teaching positions attract huge numbers of applicants. Indeed, such was our popularity that the Head of Lower School position produced an extremely competitive field from around the globe - we could easily have appointed any of our final shortlist! Nevertheless, we look forward to welcoming Mr. Joe Paget as our new Head of Lower School in the autumn. Whilst our popularity remains strong, the impact of onboarding new members of staff from the UK remains a real challenge - obtaining visas, work permits and residence permits are more of a challenging task than it was when the UK was in the European Union! To deal with this we have introduced a new role into our Senior Leadership Team - Stephen Tsagarakis joined the school in March 2022 as our first dedicated Human Resources Manager. As always, Development is at the forefront at St Catherine's and 2021 - 2022 saw the introduction of a state-of-the-art Science Laboratory in the Lower School - designed and installed by the same local Greek company that fitted out our Upper School laboratories. We also saw the opening of two Lower School playgrounds - the Key Stage One Pirate Ship in the Snug area and the more extensive Key Stage Two playground on the Tositsa fields. We look forward next year to ongoing refurbishments in the Early Years Centre as well as the gradual move towards Phase Two of the whole school development - the Whole School Sports Complex. As the year ended, we witnessed a number of changes in the Board of Governors, and I would like to put on record my thanks to the outgoing Chair and other Board members (page 4 of this report). They have all made a huge contribution to St Catherine's British School in a variety of ways - whether it has been in the Finance/Resources or Curriculum/Standards Committees, linking with curriculum or pastoral areas or visiting the school to witness shows or dipping into lessons. They have all left an indelible legacy and we owe them a huge debt of gratitude.

**Stuart Smith**  
Headteacher

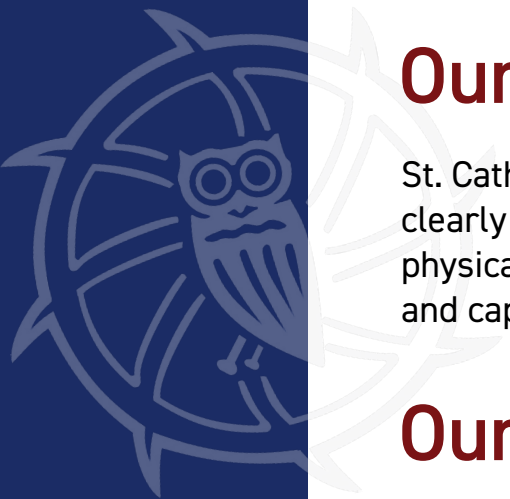




**WORLD SCHOOL GAMES**

**Today's Champions. Tomorrow's Leaders.**





## Our Mission

St. Catherine's endeavours to foster a love of learning through a well-taught, appropriately challenging, clearly defined, broad and balanced curriculum. Our aim is to fully develop pupils' intellectual, social, physical and creative potential, in anticipation that they will develop into sensitive, informed, decisive and capable global citizens of the future

## Our Vision

Character building and interpersonal skills are developed through a range of relevant educational experiences and extra-curricular activities. As a leading exponent of global citizenship, St. Catherine's students are encouraged to develop problem-solving skills, conflict resolution skills, negotiation strategies and an understanding of multicultural, multi-faith, and multi-racial concepts within the context of cultural pluralism. Pupils are expected to seek solutions to environmental and ecological problems and actively multi-racial concepts within the context of

cultural pluralism. Pupils are expected to seek solutions to environmental and ecological problems and actively demonstrate responsibilities and sound practices for good global, European and national citizenship, as well as having clear expectations of the relevance and benefits of personal, social and health strategies. We believe that through inquiry, active learning and the development of emotional intelligence in a safe environment, all students are capable of mastery of knowledge skills and understanding

**“ The school overall has an ambitious long-term educational vision for the school and its facilities which supports its aim to create an exceptional learning environment for all pupils and staff ”**

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# The Board of Governors 2021 - 2022

St Catherine's is led by an Executive Leadership Team consisting of the Headteacher, the Deputy Head/Head of Upper School, the Head of Lower School, and the Business Director. It is overseen by the Board of Governors, which is responsible for upholding the aims and objectives of the School, setting the strategic direction and ensuring that the School has the required resources and financing to operate effectively. The Board of Governors also acts as advocates for, and representatives of, our mission, values, vision and needs



**Mr Stavros Taki**  
Chairman of Governing Body  
*Committees: Governance Committee (Chair), Finance/Resources/HR, Curriculum/Standards, Bursary*  
Specialist Links: EYFS, Performance/Expressive Arts



**Dr Platon Tinios**  
Vice-Chairman  
*Committees: Curriculum/Standards, Bursary*  
Specialist Links: KS3, Social Sciences



**Dr Kyriacos Sabatakakis**  
Honorary Treasurer  
*Committees: Finance/Resources/HR (Chair), Governance, Bursary*  
Specialist Links: IB, Mathematics



**Ms Athanasia (Sia) Braimi**  
*Committees: Finance/Resources/HR, Marketing/Development*  
Special Links: TOK, CAS, Extended Essay: US Languages



**Ms Sarah Kinney Contomichalos**  
*Committees: Curriculum/Standards, Health & Safety*  
Specialist Links: KS4, Careers/Guidance



**Ms Adele Hodgson**  
*Committees: Marketing and Development (Chair), Governance*  
Specialist links: EYFS; Learning Support



**Dr Christos Markou**  
*Committee: Curriculum/Standards (Chair)*  
Special Links: KS4, Science, Computer Science



**Ms Loukia Nicola**  
*Committees: Finance/Resources/HR, Governance*  
Specialist Links: Years 3&4 English



**Mr Roger Outwin-Flinders**  
*Committees: Curriculum Standards, Marketing/Development, Designated Governor for Safeguarding*  
Specialist Links: Lower School, Designated Safeguarding Governor



**Mr George Paleokrassas**  
*Committees: Health & Safety (Chair), Finance/Resources/HR, Designated Governor for GDPR*  
Specialist Links: Years 5&6, PSCE, Designated H&S GDPR Governor



**Mr Roger Peel**  
*Committee: Curriculum/Standards*  
Specialist Links: KS3, PE/Sport



**Mr Iain Watt**  
*Committees: Finance/Resources/HR, Marketing/Development*  
Specialist Links: IB, Humanities/LS languages



# Our story so far



In the autumn of 1956, Sir Charles Peake, the British Ambassador to Greece and his wife, Lady Catherine Peake, decided that they should set up a school in the grounds of the British Embassy and in early 1957 the new school began taking its first pupils. For over 65 years we have been proud to be one of the best schools in Athens, if not Europe, and we look forward to continuing this for many years to come

1962



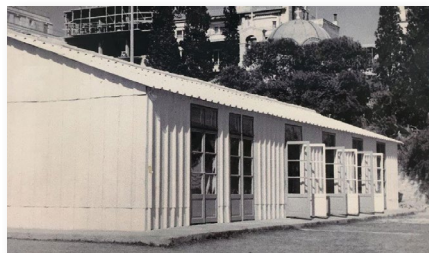
**School moves** to former Japanese Embassy in Psychico

2000



**Upper School opens** with its first ever cohorts of Year 9 and Year 10 students. School unveils new teaching block included the multipurpose hall opened by Education Minister Petros Efthymiou

**School opens** at number 2 Loukianiou in the grounds of the Residence for the British Ambassador, Sir Charles Peake and his wife Lady Catherine Peake, after whom the school is named



1957

**St Catherine's** starts to construct current buildings in Lykovrisi and moves in during 1973



1971

**School receives accreditation** from the International Baccalaureate Organisation and starts teaching the IB Diploma that September



2002

2004



During the **Athens Olympic Games** the school acts as hospitality centre for the GB team's families. The school is honoured to welcome both Prime Minister Tony Blair and HRH Princess Anne

**Ms Christine Warren Tutte**, a former long-serving Headmistress, returns to open a new building named in her honour



2010

2015



The School hosted two major **COBIS** (Council of British International Schools) events: an international teaching and learning conference and the COBIS Games, held in the Olympic Stadium.

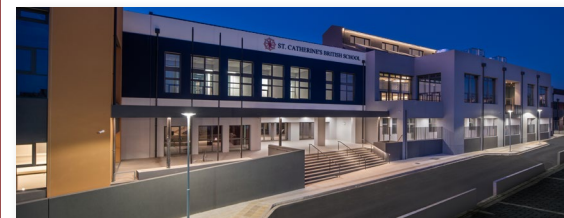


2019



Our **New Upper School** moves into its final stages of construction

Saw the opening of our fabulous **New Upper School!**



We reconfigured the Lower School for our younger students



2020



We celebrate **60 years** of St Catherine's with a fabulous party! 1956-2016

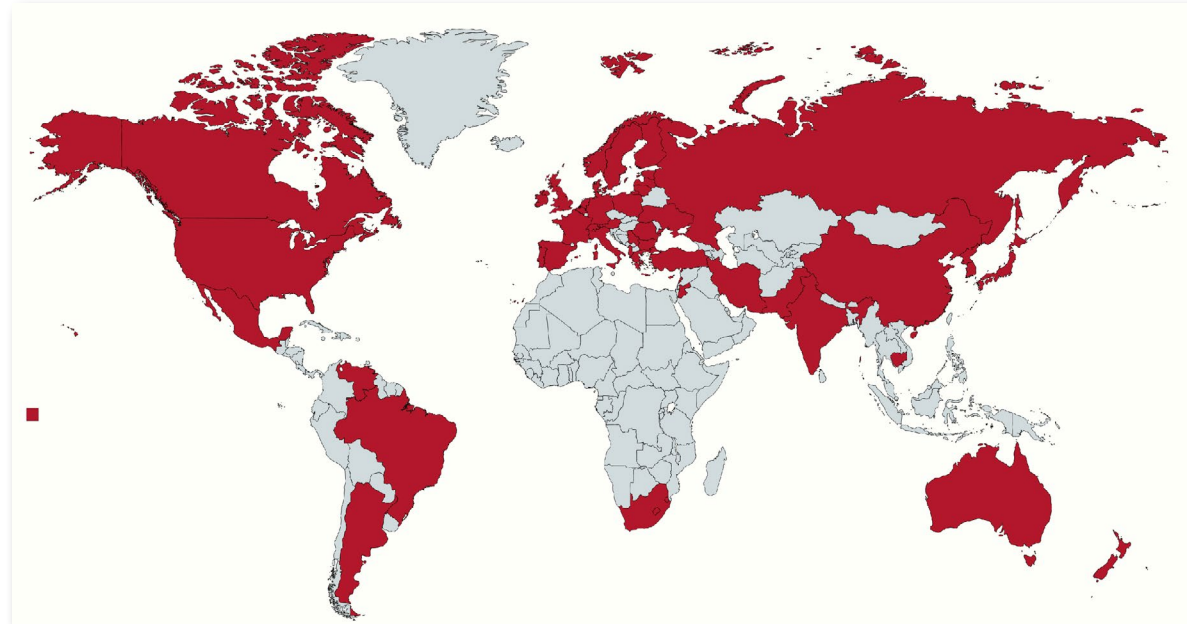


2017

# Our Community

## A British International School

St Catherine's is proud to welcome students from both the expatriate and local communities and is the first choice for many families who want their children to gain a British education within an international context



### Where our students come from:

Albania  
Argentina  
Australia  
Austria  
Belgium  
Brazil  
British Virgin Islands  
Bulgaria  
Cambodia  
Canada  
Chile

China  
Cyprus  
Denmark  
Estonia  
Finland  
France  
Germany  
Greece  
Grenada  
Hong Kong  
India

Iran  
Ireland  
Italy  
Japan  
Jordan  
Korea  
Latvia  
Lebanon  
Lithuania  
Mexico  
Netherlands

New Zealand  
Nigeria  
Norway  
Poland  
Portugal  
Romania  
Russia  
Serbia  
Slovakia  
South Africa  
Spain

Sri Lanka  
Sweden  
Switzerland  
Turkey  
Ukraine  
United Kingdom  
United States of America  
US Virgin Islands  
Venezuela

# Academic Achievements 2022

## IB Diploma Results

|                                  | St Catherine's<br>May 2022 | St Catherine's<br>May 2021 | IBO World<br>2022 |
|----------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Overall Diploma Average          | 36.8                       | 38.1                       | 31.9              |
| Overall Diploma Pass             | 99%                        | 100%                       | 86%               |
| Number of Diploma Candidates     | 82                         | 59                         | 114               |
| % Candidates 40 and above points | 34%                        | 42%                        | 14%               |
| % Candidates 29 and below points | 9%                         | 5%                         | 34%               |

## GCSE Results

|      | Number of<br>Candidates | % A*-A<br>& 7-9 | % B-C<br>& 4-6 | % D-G<br>& 1-3 |
|------|-------------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 2020 | 91                      | 63%             | 33%            | 4%             |
| 2021 | 94                      | 69%             | 27%            | 3%             |
| 2022 | 95                      | 68%             | 28%            | 4%             |



# Universities & Colleges

*Well done class of 2022! Best of luck!*

We currently have alumni studying at universities and colleges in 8 countries throughout the world

## United Kingdom

Anglia Ruskin University  
Cardiff University  
City, University of London  
Durham University  
Glasgow School of Arts  
Imperial College London  
King's College London  
Lancaster University  
London School of Economics  
and Political Science  
Queen Mary, University of  
London  
Solent University  
Sussex University

University College London  
University of Arts London  
University of Bristol  
University of Edinburgh  
University of Exeter  
University of Glasgow  
University of Plymouth  
University of Reading  
University of Surrey  
University of Warwick

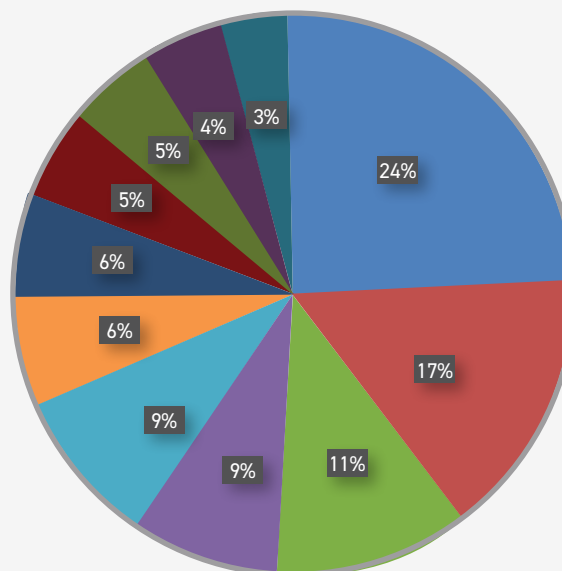
## Europe

BCA (Greece)  
City Unity College (Greece)  
Erasmus Rotterdam University (Netherlands)  
ESPC (France)  
Fashion Institute of Design International (Italy)  
Groningen University (Netherlands)  
Hanze University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands)  
HU University of Applied Sciences (Netherlands)  
Humanities University (Italy)  
Maastricht University (Netherlands)  
Parsons Paris University (France)  
Tilburg University (Netherlands)  
Twente University (Netherlands)  
Universita Cattolica Sacro Cuore (Italy)  
University of Amsterdam (Netherlands)

## USA

Berklee Music School  
Boston University  
Bowdoin College  
Brown University  
Bucknell University  
George Washington University  
McGill University  
New York University  
Rice University  
Skidmore University  
Suffolk University  
University of California  
University of Miami  
University of Toronto

## Degree Course Category



- ▶ Business/Management/Marketing
- ▶ Science & Engineering
- ▶ Law
- ▶ Economics/Politics/International Relations/PPE
- ▶ Creative Arts
- ▶ History/Philosophy/Classics/Literature
- ▶ Medicine
- ▶ Psychology
- ▶ Social Science
- ▶ Maths & Computers
- ▶ Liberal Arts

# School Highlights

This year saw a diverse array of activities and collaborations across the entire school. Sharing just a few of our special times with students:

## 1ST TEDxYouth@StCats at St Catherine's



The Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) students together with the CAS Department hosted this event as a memorable 1st TEDx experience and everyone at school had the opportunity to enjoy the excellent speeches and inspiring topics of our students. The topic for the event was 'CHANGE' which encouraged our students to have a voice on so many diverse topics on how change could come about.

## Diana of Dobson's Upper School Theatre Play



March saw the opening of the theatre doors and the presentation of 'Diana of Dobson's' theatrical play. An amazing performance and it was particularly special as we were able to invite parents of the cast and guests.

## 1ST MUN Conference at St Catherine's



Congratulations to all our students for the 1st Model United Nations Conference that was hosted in our Upper School theatre in April 2022. Thank you to everyone who participated and to the organising team for this event!

## Giving Tuesday was an amazing day for St Catherine's



A huge thank you to all of our community who were so generous and supported for our Local Volunteer Firefighters. The volunteer firefighters spend the day with our students providing fabulous activities that made them learn, but also respect our volunteer firemen for what they do every day!

### International Week in Lower School



As an international community our students celebrated international week by learning, playing, creating and reflecting. With a lot of heart and curiosity our little artists managed to get the message across of "what it means to be a global citizen and the understanding of internationality"!

### The Duke of Edinburgh's International Award ( I.A.)



The Duke of Edinburgh Award plays an integral part in our school philosophy of a "complete education". After two years of COVID, our students went on their first weekend away with the IA Bronze expedition, it was great for all our students and staff! An exciting time to enjoy and explore the outdoors once again. Students came home tired, but all said what an amazing experience, filled with lots of new memories.

### Reception Beach Clean up



The importance of educational trips for our students starts as early as reception. The beach clean up goal was to show our students why it is so important to keep our beaches clean and not let rubbish get blown into the ocean. They left the clean up loving the sea and wanting to do everything they can to save it.

### Hack-a-Thon



Our annual two-Day technology Hack-a-Thon is always a great success and attended by many students from international schools across Athens. With access to the latest technology students create technology which could help humanity. A fantastic range of projects were created from Minecraft Worlds to Artificial Intelligence, internet of things, facial recognition and early warning software.

### Virtual Careers Day



In April we hosted our annual Virtual Careers Fair which was supported by our global Alumni. Over 40+ alumni speakers joined us to share their experience about their university and/or careers path to our older students.

### Spring Concert Dedicated to Mikis Theodorakis



The concert showcased the GCSE & IB exam pieces of the students together with a concert dedicated to the Greek composer Mikis Theodorakis. The audience were delighted to see students and staff singing and dancing in a magical evening of sheer talent in the atmosphere of the new theatre.

# Extra-Curricular

At St Catherine's we recognise the critical importance of a broad and balanced life. We encourage students to participate in a wide range of activities outside the classroom that both complement academic study and provide a wealth of additional skills, experience and enjoyment



After almost two academic years our students finally had the ability to participate in all the clubs we have to offer!

Amongst many things, students enjoy Greek Dancing club, architecture club and Theatre club in addition to a variety of sporting events such as The World School Games in Dubai and COBIS Cross country championships.

St Catherine's students continued to show their creativity and talent through musical concerts, talent shows and performance. This year our students performed for the first time in our new theatre which was truly worthy of their talent. The opening show was a brilliant production of



'Diana of Dobson's' followed by musical concerts, one which was dedicated to Mikis Theodorakis, the Greek composer.

Our students also continued to improve their public speaking and debating skills by proudly representing St Catherine's at national online debate and forensics tournaments.

The Duke of Edinburgh International Award which empowers young people to learn and grow through non-formal education, is a favourite of our senior students from Year 10. This challenging but exciting programme saw many students complete the bronze award and many more students working towards the Silver and Gold Awards this year.

# Learning through Philanthropy

At St Catherine's we believe in the importance of philanthropy and helping others through the act of giving and supporting those in need. Throughout their years at St Catherine's, students have the opportunity to become involved in raising funds for good causes, donating gifts and learning more about different charitable needs



**Pink Day: students wear pink for Breast Cancer Awareness week**

In 2021/22 the students of St Catherine's raised over €12,000 as well as providing support and donating food, clothes, games and toiletries. Organisations that benefited included local and international charities such as: Estia Girls Orphanage in Agia Paraskevi, ANASA in Greece, Alma Zois, Alzheimer Hellas, KYADA Municipality of Athens and WWF.



**World Refugee Day with Happy Caravan**

Thank you so much to all our families and friends of St Catherine's who support us in so many different ways and help us to help others. We appreciate all their support, through donations and all their valuable time volunteering.

# Student Responsibilities

Throughout their time at St Catherine's students have the opportunity to experience roles of responsibility



**Year4 & Year 6 Head Girls and Boys**

In the Lower School the Head Girls and Boys have the responsibility of giving speeches in assemblies, being ambassadors for new families, as well as peer related service tasks. Our Head Girls and Boys represented us at the Remembrance Day. The Eco-Council from Key Stages 1 and 2 focus on how they can make the school and their local environment more eco-friendly. Together with the school's new initiative the 'Forest school' a green area was created for students to learn all about nature from a hands on perspective.

The Lower and Upper School Councils carried on their efforts and organised deeds of kindness. Through their work they were able to provide food, clothes and hygiene products to Ukrainian Families the local orphanage and others in need.



**Odysseas Tsempelis with a charity drive to refugees**

In the Upper School the Key Stage 3 Council helped organise fundraising for charities and the important transition for students from Lower to Upper School.

The Senate is made up of students from Years 10 -13 and focuses on student affairs, to improve the school community, fundraise for good causes, and acts as a liaison between school leaders, teachers and the student body. This year the Senate helped bring Music to the refugee families of Malakasa. The campaign asked students to provide monetary funds but also donate their unused musical instruments, bringing joy to over 500 families!

# PTSA - Parent Teacher Support Association



Every year the PTSA puts together most amazing events for the whole school community. The Annual Halloween and Christmas Event being the highlights.

For Halloween, both children and adults dress up in their scariest gear and enjoyed great food, spooky games, trick-or-treating and of course a spectacular firework show. The school is transformed and filled with colour and scary decorations, most of which are created by the students themselves during our popular PTSA-led workshops with EYFS and Lower School classes.

This year our students still had the opportunity to capture the Halloween spirit. The PTSA organised a wonderful 'car boot'

exhibition where parents decorated their cars as scary as possible for our students to enjoy. For our Christmas event the school is transformed into a Christmas grotto. This year Santa came to visit our students with his helpers and the "Grinch". The annual Christmas raffle was also a huge success for all enjoyed with Christmas carols.

The PTSA also organizes cultural events for parents. This year started off with a visit to the Cycladic Museum, followed by a variety of workshops for parents and other exhibition trips: Aikarerini Laskaridis guided tour and the National gallery to name a few.

# Staff Appreciation

272

St Catherines Staff



11

Nationalities Represented

5:1

Student-Staff Ratio



The staff of St Catherine's are the driving force in maintaining a caring academic environment and a sense of community. We are proud of our highly qualified academic staff, continually investing in Professional Development through courses and workshops, enhancing our services to students and always taking into consideration students with individual educational needs

## Staff Seniority Award

**GOLD**  
25+  
Years!

Vangi Burbidge  
Fionnuala Cleary  
Angela Gargan  
Gerrie Giakoumi-Westerink

Marietta Kandilaki  
Philippa Pyett  
James Soumilas

**SILVER**  
20+  
Years!

Sofia Adamopoulou  
Feny Antonopoulou  
Julie Barratt  
Gillian Beckwith  
Stuart Bond  
Grace Corbetis  
Marieni Demetriadou  
Lisa Diakoni  
Paul Elliott  
Nicholas Gibbins  
Evi-ena Kiosoglou  
Philip Kolyvas  
Lisa Koufidou  
Iris Krasoudaki

Elizabeth Liakata  
Amanda Martopoulou-Smith  
Jo Mason-Daskagianni  
Yvonne McDermott  
Coreen Morsink  
Gail Moates  
Linda Newton  
Guey Nikolaou  
Anne Peters  
Dimitra Polimenakos  
Christina Polymenakou  
Wendy Raikopoulos  
Georgia Vacratsis

As of 2021-2022, we are delighted to welcome new staff into our family

### Lower School:

Kathryn Copeland (Teacher), Matthew Giakoumi (EYFS Assistant), Allie Short (Teacher), Sharon Toone (Teacher), Paul Martin (Teacher), Inga Miller (Teacher), Merryn Wainwright (Classroom Teacher), Angela Goudes (Librarian)

### Upper School:

Lambros Bramos (Learning Support), Martina Frauer (Head of MFL), Penelope Gourgourini (Teacher of Physics/Science), Sofia Kardiakou (Teaching Assistant), Samantha Mills (Learning Support), Tamir Nasrallah (Teacher of Design Technology), Maria Neonaki (Teacher of Environmental Systems/Biology), Vaskar Siddique (Teacher of Biology/Science), Sofia Kalogirou (Domestic), Christoula Christopoulou (Domestic), Markesia Mylona (Domestic), Deborah Finnesey (Teaching Assistant), Marissa Diamantopoulou (Learning Support Assistant), Ilias Stamatis (Teaching Assistant)

### Whole School:

Anna Bennington (Teacher of PE), Serafeim Zoukas (Wellbeing Counsellor), Thanasis Katrimoustakis (Maintenance Assistant), Stephen Tsagarakis (Human Resources Manager)

### Administration:

Alexandra Dalavagka - Development Administrator  
Emilia Djiapouras - IB Administrator  
Matthew Westran - Information & Data Security Co-ordinator

# School Improvements

As a constantly evolving and busy school we are always conscious of the need to improve and review all of our facilities. For 2020/21 the school invested a total of €2m in key developments for reconfiguring the Lower School and for the Upper School campus.

In 2021/2022 the school invested a total of €530k, €265k was invested in further renovations to the Lower School, such as the creation of the new Lower School science laboratory and PVC flooring for the Nursery and Reception areas.

Other key areas of spending within the school focused on creating a wholesome learning support area, the refurbishment of the pool house changing rooms, maintenance of the football pitches and investment in technology.

These are highlights of some of the improvements that were made and the School pledges to continue to review facilities on our current site alongside with our new building.



# Development Office

*Together  
we can reach  
our goals!*

At St Catherine's British School, we live by our motto "**Excellence and Happiness**" and are committed to providing the very best teaching and learning facilities and excellence across academic and enrichment disciplines, encouraging students to develop their talents and passion, and become independent, confident, capable, and vibrant, the kind of people you want on your team. Whilst we pride ourselves on the quality of our staff, achieving excellence demands commitment to continuous improvements and investment programmes in our buildings and bursary fund.

As a private, not-for-profit, international school, St Catherine's relies primarily on tuition fees to sustain our core programmes. However, in order to make improvements and implement transformative new approaches, additional financial support is necessary. Thanks to the incredible support of our community, our New Upper School has become a reality, providing a state-of the art learning

environment for all our students and staff. The reconfiguration of the Lower School has also created potential to maximise the space to its potential; designated areas for science and art and more eco-friendly outside spaces to enhance both learning and playing. We are now ready to move to the start of our next chapter in our journey, the multi-purpose Whole School Sports Complex.



# Our favourite kind of gifts are those that keep giving back to generations of students!

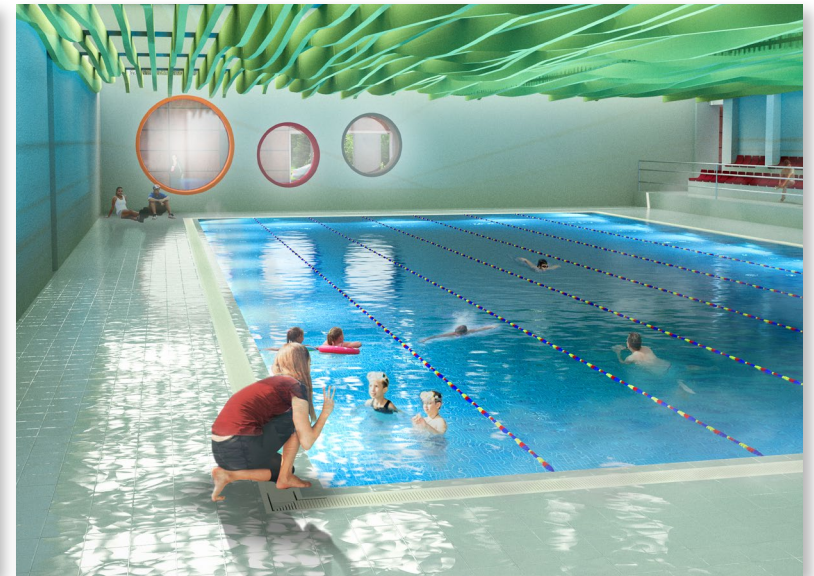
We believe families give to a school like St Catherine's, not just because they want to make a difference, but because St Catherine's has made a difference to their family and their children. We thank everyone that supported making our vision a reality.

## Phase Two – The Sports Complex

The former Wella building adjacent to the new Upper School will transform into a multi-faceted sports centre for the whole school community to use.



It will feature an indoor swimming pool, basketball, badminton, and volleyball courts plus a gymnasium, climbing wall and 5-a-side football pitch and alumni space.



## Phase Three – The New Lower School

The final phase will see the building of a brand new Lower School. We will keep you updated and included in our school Development Plan as the project moves forward

## If you wish to support our vision –

please visit our website [www.stcatherines.gr/ways-to-give/](http://www.stcatherines.gr/ways-to-give/) or email us at [developmentoffice@stcatherines.gr](mailto:developmentoffice@stcatherines.gr) for further information

**Thank you!**

# St Catherine's Alumni Association (SCAA)



**Our Alumni Speakers for the Virtual Careers Fair**

|                               |                           |
|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Noell Lamprou 2005            | Iliana Theoharakis 2015   |
| John Konsolakis 2017          | Natalia Maniatakou 2012   |
| Hara Kaminioti-Dumont 2011    | Dimitris Kartalis 2013    |
| Katerina Cabolis 2014         | Yolanda Whitaker 2016     |
| Iris Gioti 2014               | Zoe Halikiopoulos 2014    |
| Spyros Giolmas 2019           | Panos Sachinis 2021       |
| Stavros Galatis 2021          | Dimitra Georgantaki 2020  |
| Fil Lekkas 2010               | Natalie Georgopoulou 2017 |
| Konstantinos Kavallieros 2019 | Amanda Selekou 2021       |
| George Pavlakis 2020          | George Roupas 2020        |
| Jason Palmer 2016             | Rebecca Sideras 2017      |
| Alexandra Riris 2002          | Antonis Skoufis 2018      |
| Heleni (Lenya) Singer 2020    | Myrto Achnioti 2020       |
| Christina Kaldi 2012          |                           |

*Thank you!*

**We all play our role in the story of St Catherine's!**

St Catherine's welcomes back graduates, former students, past parents and former faculty & staff almost every day of the year, from all corners of the world. Our alumni community is truly global and we aim to stay in touch via communications and events with as many of our alumni as possible. We work closely with active alumni and Class Representatives to support alumni gatherings where possible.

This year saw our second virtual careers fair, attended by 40+ alumni speakers from all over the world who joined us to share their experience about their university and/or careers path to our senior students. It was really one of those moments when the St Catherine's journey was in motion as it should be, with our alumni and students joining together.

Our Alumni Ambassador position has been a true success over the years. It a role assigned to Year 12 students and is dedicated to informing current students on alumni activities and bridging the gap between students and alumni leading on the e-mentoring programme. Every year we normally host a variety of social events such a SCAA reunion in Athens and smaller events in other parts of the world such as in the UK. However, due to Covid we were not able to reconnect in person, but thank all Alumni students who found a way to support online with the Virtual Career Fair, E-mentoring, student support and debate coaching.

IB2 students Amalia K and Melia P were awarded the 2022 Alumni Award for their exceptional contribution to school life and beyond.

We love connecting with our Alumni! Join us on our new alumni network StCatsConnect and stay tuned on all upcoming events, view the latest photos, browse our digital archive and reconnect with lost classmates.







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