



ST DOMINIQUE, Rome
French International School
ODYSSEY EDUCATION



**A multilingual
education**

**An entire community dedicated
to the students' success**



**«Villa St Dominique»:
a unique boarding school
experience**



**An exceptional international
campus in Rome**

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Luc Chatel
President of
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«Odyssey Education is a recognized partner of the Agency for French Education Abroad (AEFE). Since its creation, the Odyssey Education group has placed multilingual excellence and family satisfaction at the heart of its project. Our commitment is to provide students with the means for success and fulfillment within the framework of an ambitious academic project.

At St Dominique in Rome, the values of Odyssey Education have wonderfully combined with the tradition of excellence rooted in the prestigious institution.

We are proud to offer in Rome a unique educational project at the crossroads of French excellence, humanistic tradition, and a pedagogy adapted to the challenges of our time. The success of our students in the best higher education institutions confirms the relevance of our project and nurtures the meaning of our action.»

A few words from the Head of School

«Over the last 60 years, the St Dominique French International School has welcomed students from over 40 countries in Rome, from Nursery School to High School. In an exceptional 6-hectare campus, students have the opportunity to complete their education in a unique educational environment.

Our school project is based on French and international programs, with an individualized curriculum support. Each student benefits from a rich cultural, artistic, and athletic life, in a caring yet rigorous environment.

The multilingual journey from a young age, coupled with the possibility to join the International Baccalaureate (IB) track from Grade 9, ensures an authentically international education.



Bernard Lociro
Head of School
St Dominique Rome

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Reasons to choose St Dominique, Rome French International School

1 An Education of Excellence in Rome

- A solid, recognized academic program
- 100% success rate at the French Baccalaureate
- A school accredited by the AEFE
- An IB world school
- Located in an exceptional city, rich in history and culture

2 An International Education

- A multilingual education, in French, English, and Italian starting from Nursery School
- The possibility to chose between two tracks: the French National Education program or the IB from Grade 9
- A multicultural community and campus

3 Personalized Support

- A support system tailored to the needs of each student: school life educators, psychologists, foreign language teachers, homework assistance, etc.
- Engaging team projects that involve all students, fostering values of responsibility: student councils, eco-delegates, community service, tutoring, etc.

4 A Caring and Supportive Community

- Families fully involved in the School life
- A community united around humanistic and spiritual values
- A passionate teaching staff committed to the success of each students
- The strength of belonging to the Odyssey Education network and its 12 international schools worldwide

5 A Unique Boarding School Experience

- An outstanding location in the heart of the eternal city
- Modern facilities
- An integrated boarding program designed for academic success
- A secure environment to experience and grow

Nursery School

Loving Learning and Living Together

To thrive and master **pluriilingualism** from a young age, our program ensures **personalized support**, establishes **solid learning foundations**, and immerses children in a multicultural environment. We promote balanced development through **art and sports**, and **stimulate reflection and memory** through **play and communication**.

Our commitment

● Personalised Support

We prioritize the specific developmental needs of young children, paying particular attention to their well-being and self-confidence.

● Learning Foundations

Our educational program lays the foundations to prepare for future learning challenges: understanding, expressing thoughts, exploring the world...

● Playful and Reflective Learning

We prioritize learning through action and play, which promotes children's memorization and motivation.

● Multilingual and Multicultural Environment

Through alternating days in French and English, enriched with 2 hours of Italian per week, we offer daily immersion in a multilingual setting.

● Development through Art and Sport

Children take part in physical and artistic activities daily, fostering the harmonious development of action, sensations, imagination, sensitivity, thought, and language.

Autonomy

Toute Petite Section / Prematerna
2 – 3 years old

Social rules and living together

Petite Section / Materna
3 – 4 years old

Towards reading and writing

Moyenne Section / Materna
4 – 5 years old

Focus on oral and written expression

Grande Section / Materna
5 – 6 years old








« Chaque jour, nous accompagnons nos élèves dans leur développement personnel, les incitant à l'invention, à la réflexion et à la créativité. »

« Our students embarked on an eco-educational project, cleansing a beach and innovatively repurposing the collected waste into musical instruments for their classroom. »

« Risvegliamo, nutriamo ed esprimiamo l'immaginazione e la creatività con il canto dell'Odissea. »

A TYPICAL DAY

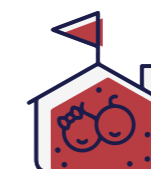
-  7:45am – 8:30am
Morning welcome
- 8:30am – 10:00am
Stimulating learning sessions in class
-  10:00am – 10:30am
Recess and free play
-  12:00pm – 1:30pm
Lunch break, followed by naptime or recess depending on age
- 1:30pm – 3:30pm
Continuation of dynamic learning in class
-  3:30pm
End of day
-  3:30pm – 5:30pm
Daycare or afterschool activities (optional)

A TYPICAL WEEK

Alternation between classes in French and English, enriched with two hours of Italian weekly, led by a multilingual teaching team.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FR	ENG	FR / ENG	ENG	FR

From Monday to Thursday, daycare and afterschool activities are available until 5:30pm.



A TYPICAL YEAR

Month	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
September	●	●	●	●	●
October	●	●	●	●	●
November	●	●	●	●	●
December	●	●	●	●	●
January	●	●	●	●	●
February	●	●	●	●	●
March	●	●	●	●	●
April	●	●	●	●	●
May	●	●	●	●	●
June	●	●	●	●	●
July	●	●	●	●	●
August	●	●	●	●	●

- School
- School Holidays
- Holiday Camps

Elementary School

the early years of educational excellence

Our demanding yet caring elementary school emphasizes mastery of the fundamentals and the daily practice of **multilingualism**. Particular emphasis is placed on building a solid **foundation in mathematics and languages**. The curriculum is also enriched with projects designed to develop students' scientific and digital literacy, while encouraging their participation in sports and artistic activities.

Our commitment

● Mastering the fundamentals

Teaching a taste for reading, writing, and arithmetic, while promoting mutual respect.

● Everyday Multilingualism

Helping children to learn French, English, and Italian fluently, fostering their global openness.

● Linguistic Exploration

Sparing interest in the in-depth study of language through grammar, spelling, and vocabulary.

● Mathematical Initiation

Introducing elementary mathematical concepts with clarity and method, fostering curiosity for sciences and digital technologies.

● Critical Thinking and Observation

Cultivating the spirit of observation and developing structured and organized thinking.

● Self-expression and Self-fulfillment

Practicing physical activities daily and deepening artistic practices.

Read and write with confidence

CP / 1° Elementare
6 – 7 years old

Understand and count with ease

CE1 / 2° Elementare
7 – 8 years old

Act and reason clearly

CE2 / 3° Elementare
8 – 9 years old

Know and experiment with curiosity

CM1 / 4° Elementare
9 – 10 years old

Consolidate and prepare for Middle School

CM2 / 5° Elementare
10 – 11 years old








« Former les élèves à travailler leur voix, la posture et l'expression scénique multilingue. »

« Our students graced the stage of the Rome Opera with 'La Cenerentola', where they not only performed in Italian alongside opera virtuosos but also crafted their own costumes, embodying the essence of the arts. »

« Studiare e conversare nelle lingue del mondo per arricchire la propria vita in un tessuto di scambi culturali. »

A TYPICAL DAY

-  7:45am – 8:30am
Morning welcome
- 8:30am – 10:00am
Core teachings and intellectual awakening
-  10:00am – 10:30am
Recess, sports and collective games
- 10:30am – 12:00pm
Continuation of in class teachings
-  12:00pm – 1:30pm
Break with fun activities
- 1:30pm – 3:30pm
Thematic classes and collaborative projects
-  3:30pm
End of day
-  3:45pm – 5:30pm
Daycare or afterschool activities (optional)

A TYPICAL WEEK

Alternation between classes in French and English, enriched with three hours of Italian weekly, led by a multilingual teaching team.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
FR	ENG	FR / ENG	ENG	FR

From Monday to Thursday, daycare and afterschool activities are available until 5:30pm.



A TYPICAL YEAR

Month	School	School Holidays	Holiday Camps
September	●	●	●
October	●	●	●
November	●	●	●
December	●	●	●
January	●	●	●
February	●	●	●
March	●	●	●
April	●	●	●
May	●	●	●
June	●	●	●
July	●	●	●
August	●	●	●

● School
● School Holidays
● Holiday Camps

EXPERIENCE LIFE ON ST DO CAMPUS

Studying in Rome: a unique opportunity

Just a few steps away from the historic center of Rome means enjoying a true **open-air museum where art, architecture, gastronomy, and culture shine.**

Explore, enrich your personal culture, and enjoy a pleasant year-round climate.

A wide range of extracurricular activities

- **A rich and varied afterschool program**
At St Do, students are offered a wide range of sports, artistic, and cultural activities throughout the year: football, dance, karate, basketball, boxing, fencing, rugby, tchoukball, theater, music, visual arts...
- **Holiday Camps** during school holidays
Studying at St Do is also an opportunity to take part in bilingual Holiday Camps, combining learning with fun activities.
- **A coaching and guidance service**
Starting from Grade 9, St Do students have access to **Odyssep**, a college counselling coaching program, designed by the Odyssey Education group in collaboration with the best experts in the field.
- Moments of spiritual activity
St Do was founded by Dominican sisters who laid the foundations for a community of humanistic values. Students are free to participate in moments of spiritual activity.

Practical Information

A **school catering service** is available for our students and boarding school residents. Meals are designed by nutritionists and prepared on-site.

A new **café space** welcomes parents and students for friendly gatherings.

Getting to St Dominique:

- **By Car:** Our school has a large parking area available for families, with a drop-off zone.
- **By Public Transportation:** Public buses and trains.
- **By School Bus:** We offer a private School Bus service with multiple options covering the city of Rome

A multicultural and dynamic community

The experience at St Do doesn't end after graduation. You become part of a strong community built over 60 years of history and represented by alumni all over the world.

Sabine Mazloum (Liban) - Class of 1998 - Businesswoman and Author:

«Born in Paris, I grew up in Rome where I completed my schooling at St Dominique, a place that provided me with security, confidence, and spiritual openness for my well-being. This institution shaped a strong personality within me, enabling me to pursue a career in business while remaining humble and respectful.»

Adem Krich (Paris) - Class of 2021 - Student at CentraleSupélec after 2 years of preparatory classes at Lycée Saint-Louis:

«My time at St Do was marked by years of intense work, personal growth, and enriching encounters. From the start, I was impressed by the quality of education provided and the attention given to each student.»

Events all year-round

As part of the Odyssey Education network, students at St Do participate in **numerous events throughout the year:** the Odyssey Science Week, Odyssey International Days, Francophonie Days, sports competitions, outings and school trips, thematic days, and much more.

Our 6-hectare green campus features a range of **facilities and services** designed for our students' work, personal development and comfort.



28 digitized classrooms



2 libraries



1 scientific laboratory



1 theater / performance hall



1 music room



1 visual arts room



1 motor skills room for nursery



1 garden reserved for nursery



2 playgrounds



1 outdoor play area



2 collective sports fields



1 athletics track



1 gymnasium



1 boarding school with over 100 places



1 school cafeteria



1 snack bar



1 health and wellbeing area supervised by a school nurse



2 parking lots and a school bus service

Middle School Foundations for success

The **middle school years** are decisive years that focus on **consolidating and deepening prior learning**. We are committed to offering **integrated multilingualism, individualized pathways and personalized support**. We promote **autonomy, critical thinking, and student development**, paying attention to both the transition from Primary School to Middle School (6ème and 5ème) and from Middle School to High School (4ème and 3ème).

Our commitment

● Guiding toward greater autonomy

Supporting students to succeed in transitioning to a different schooling approach from that of Primary School (schedules, multiple teachers, diverse subjects, etc.).

● Learning to learn and getting organized

Providing students with tools and methods to learn and prepare better.

● Providing advanced multilingualism

Immersing students in widespread multilingualism across all courses and subjects.

● Fostering well-being and self-confidence

Providing students with an environment and support, enabling them to develop and realize their full potential.

● Encouraging multidisciplinary and curiosity

Fostering a curiosity for the arts, humanities, and sciences. Cultivating cultural, artistic, sporting, and musical taste.

● Preparing for exam

Whether it's for the Diplôme National du Brevet or the Terza Media, students benefit from regular preparation in terms of both knowledge assessment and methodology.

Adapt and get organized

6ème / 1° Media
11 – 12 years old

Consolidate and explore

5ème / 2° Media
12 – 13 years old

Taking it further and analyze

4ème / 3° Media
13 – 14 years old

Open up and move forward towards High School

3ème ou Grade 9 / 1° Liceo
14 – 15 years old



EXAMPLES OF NOTICEABLE EVENTS

SCIENCES

Participation in Mathematics Olympiads

LITERATURE

Comic Book and Literary Critics Award

DIGITAL

«Pix Program» to cultivate digital skills in 3ème / Grade 9

CAREER EXPLORATION

February company discovery internship in 3ème / Grade 9

RESPONSABILITY

Election of eco-delegates in each class

EXPANDED INTERNATIONAL OFFER STARTING FROM MIDDLE SCHOOL



Mastery of English, a differentiating advantage for our students

In continuation of their elementary education, our middle school students sustain instruction in English, enabling them to reach level B2 (advanced level).



Preparation for Terza Media

Students who also wish to prepare for this Italian diploma benefit from tailored schedules.



Preparation for the International Baccalaureate (IB) in 9th Grade

In Grade 9, we offer to students who wish to make a smooth transition to the International Baccalaureate (IB), a pre-IB program in English. It includes key disciplines such as English language and literature, arts, technology, mathematics, and sciences.

« Cultiver une culture scientifique est au cœur de notre mission, à travers des méthodologies interactives et participatives. »

« Our students demonstrated unparalleled acumen by securing the top position in the Mathematics Olympiad for the South-East Europe Zone. »

« Con uno sguardo scientifico scrutiamo il mondo e ci erigiamo a cittadini proattivi nell'epoca digitale. »

French and International Baccalaureate (IB) Charting the path to international excellence

During the final phase of secondary education, St Dominique French International School continues to guide students towards **academic excellence**. Whether preparing for the **French baccalauréat** or the **International Baccalaureate**, students benefit from personalised support designed to help them achieve the best academic results and **success in higher education worldwide**.

Baccalauréat Français

2nde
2° Liceo
15 – 16 years old

- Methodological Foundations
- Guidance in selecting 3 specialties from the 7 offered
- Consolidation of middle school learning
- Strong scientific and humanistic culture

1ère
3° Liceo
16 – 17 years old

- Preparation for anticipated exams and guidance towards higher education
- Support in selecting the 2 specialties presented at the Baccalauréat exam

Terminale
4° Liceo
17 – 18 years old

- End of secondary education, with the obtention of the Baccalauréat and a solid preparation for university
- Becoming enlightened citizens

OR

International Baccalaureate

Grade 10
Pré-IB
15 – 16 years old

- Intellectual, personal, emotional, and social development
- Critical thinking and problem solving
- Interdisciplinary learning
- Social responsibility

Grade 11 - 12
IB
16 – 18 years old

- Intensive preparation for the globally recognized International Baccalaureate
- Cultivating understanding and appreciation of different cultures

ESABAC (Italian) or European Section (English)

Students have the opportunity to validate their advanced language skills through the Italian **ESABAC program** or the **European Section** program in English.

ADN AEF School Exchanges

A unique opportunity for the 1ère / Grade 10 students to immerse themselves in the culture of a foreign country, promoting intercultural learning and exchange.

100%
success rate in
the baccalauréat

WHY PREPARE FOR THE IB AT ST DOMINIQUE?

1. A diploma program in English, renowned worldwide
2. Projects focused on solidarity and leadership, shaping an academic profiles highly valued by top global universities
3. Interactive and participative pedagogy, in small class sizes
4. A curriculum designed to foster critical thinking and an international perspective
5. Personalized support with a Creativity, Activity, Service (CAS) coordinator and an IB coordinator

« Le programme ODYSSUP, notre nouvelle initiative de coaching d'excellence, ouvre la voie vers les universités de prestige et sculpte le parcours des leaders de demain. »

« Annually, 54 hours are devoted to strategic higher education guidance, offering a bespoke suite of services including career forums and student fairs, all designed to forge pathways to elite universities. »

« Scoprire il percorso personale verso il futuro con un approccio che forgia i cittadini del mondo. »



Zoom on IB Subjects

Grade 10

A comprehensive program including: English, Humanities, Mathematics, Combined Sciences, Community Service, Theory of Knowledge (TOK), English Language and Literature, Italian, French, Arts, and Sports

Grade 11 & 12

Choice between standard level (SL) and higher level (HL) subjects: Theory of Knowledge, CAS*, Extended Essay
3 subjects to choose at standard level (SL) and 3 at higher level (HL) from: Studies in Language and Literature, Language Acquisition, Individuals & Societies, Sciences, and Mathematics

WORDS FROM PASSIONATE TEACHERS!



Francesca TERNI,
TPS/PS Teacher

«For me, teaching at nursery school means helping children to learn, grow and develop. It also means actively participating in and contributing to children's development and well-being. There's nothing more beautiful than forging the minds of tomorrow!»



Marie TROOSTER,
Head of Primary School

«From the moment they arrive at St Dominique, children are accompanied on a personalised journey that enables them to develop the human and academic qualities that are necessary today, but above all indispensable for their future lives: creativity, high standards, kindness and innovation. Academic, creative, athletic, all talents are nurtured and this is what determines our way of teaching.»



Eric MEERSCHMAN,
CM2 and PE Teacher

«I'm passionate about working in this multilingual environment with colleagues and students from a variety of backgrounds. I propose pedagogical activities and mutual teaching workshops so that students are always at the center of their learning.»



David SAURY
Physics-Chemistry/
Computer Science and
Technology Teacher

«With 14 years of experience in this institution, I teach with passion and dedication, guiding my students towards fulfillment and success. My enthusiasm for science is obvious: I love exploring and understanding the phenomena around us, and sharing this knowledge brings me great joy.»



Nadine HAKME,
IBDP coordinator
and Math instructor

«At St Dominique, the IB mindset fosters a dynamic learning environment where students are encouraged to think critically, embrace cultural diversity, and develop a holistic understanding of the world. As a teacher, witnessing students' growth within this framework is truly inspiring and reaffirms the value of an IB education at our school. «



A FUN FACT ABOUT VILLA ST DOMINIQUE

Inspired by the spirit of famous Italian villas, the boarding school offers our students much more than just accommodation. **Designed to awaken curiosity and develop knowledge,** Villa St. Dominique fully echoes the Villa Medici, which since 1803 has welcomed residents immersed in a crucible of excellence where they can fully develop their talents.

In the wake of this tradition, Villa St. Dominique offers a holistic education that prepares students to **become knowledgeable, aware, and involved citizens of the world.**

BOARDING SCHOOL LIFE Villa St Dominique

Eager to offer our students both quality accommodation and a unique international experience, we have created Villa St Dominique. Inspired by prestigious Italian villas, blending cultural, artistic, and educational paths, our Boarding School offers a unique boarding experience within the AEFÉ.



EXCEPTIONAL ACCOMMODATION

In the heart of a city with a **rich history and unique heritage**, our Boarding School, adjacent to the school, has been **completely renovated** for the comfort, well-being and safety of our students.

Our rooms are fully equipped with a comfortable bed, a desk, a private bathroom and plenty of storage space.

The villa features a number of **indoor and outdoor living areas**, where students can meet, work and relax. Boarding School residents also benefit from access to the **campus sports fields and a fitness room.**



Premium bedrooms

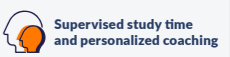
- Single or double bedrooms
- Contemporary furniture
- Single bed and wardrobe
- Study area
- Private bathroom and toilet
- Air conditioning
- Wifi
- 5/7 days or 7/7 days formula



ENHANCED ACADEMIC PATHWAY

Choosing Villa St Dominique is not just about having premium accommodation. Our **academic offering** allows students to strengthen and enrich their education: mandatory study and tutoring sessions every evening, **conferences, university partnerships, language certification...**

Students are also offered training by the Odyssey Academy in the fields of leadership, artificial intelligence, and social responsibility. They also benefit from complimentary access to **Odysup**, a personalized orientation and coaching program developed by Odyssey Education.



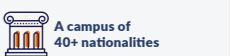
Supervised study time and personalized coaching



A MULTICULTURAL HUMAN ADVENTURE

Living at the Villa means integrating a campus gathering 40+ nationalities and living within a **close-knit and caring group** of students of different ages. Social life is supervised and animated by a boarding master and his team, who are committed to the success, fulfillment, and well-being of each intern.

Activities are organized every evening: board game nights, football tournaments, movie nights, cooking sessions... there is something for everyone! And for those staying at Villa St Dominique on weekends, our teams organize outings to discover Rome and its secrets, as well as 2 trips to other European cities during the school year.



A campus of 40+ nationalities

« The Villa in 4 points?
It's an incredible experience! Meeting people, lots of adventures, learning, and living in community. »



Ysé, 16 years old, 1ère

« More and more families wish to offer their children an educational experience that serves as an accelerator for maturity, intellectual development, success, and fulfillment. Villa St Dominique was designed to meet these expectations. »



Dr. Olivier Guillet
Academic Director of
Odyssey Education

ADMISSION PROCESS



1. ONLINE APPLICATION ON THE EDUKA REGISTRATION PLATFORM

Required documents: school transcripts, photocopies of parents' and child's passports.



2. PROCESSING YOUR APPLICATION & PEDAGOGICAL INTERVIEW

Once the application is submitted and processed by the admissions department, a pedagogical interview will be scheduled within 5 working days.



3. ADMISSION RESULTS

Following the admissions committee review, your child's placement will be confirmed via email within 2-3 days.



4. PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES



5. WELCOME TO ST DOMINIQUE ROME, FRENCH INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL!

Your child's final enrollment will be confirmed via email within 7 days following payment of registration fees.



Aurélie BAILLY
Billing - Admissions
and Family Relations



Elodie RICHARD
Communication Manager



*Come meet us, and visit our campus.
We are thrilled to welcome and guide you through every
step of the admission process from the pedagogical
interview to the enrollment of your children.*



ODYSSEY EDUCATION MULTILINGUAL INTERNATIONAL FRENCH SCHOOLS

Odyssey Education is committed to providing each of its students with a French and international education and a special place in a caring and dynamic community where they will thrive and build their future.

In each of Odyssey Education's establishments, highly qualified educational teams are dedicated to guiding each student towards success and shaping their future path in higher education.

In a few figures:

- 12 establishments
- 11 countries on 3 continents
- From Nursery School to High School
- +70 nationalities of students

Recognized by French authorities for the quality of its educational offer, the Odyssey Education group has signed a framework agreement with the public operator, the Agency for French Education Abroad (AEFE), thus confirming its role as a privileged partner within the French education network abroad.



Our partners in Rome

