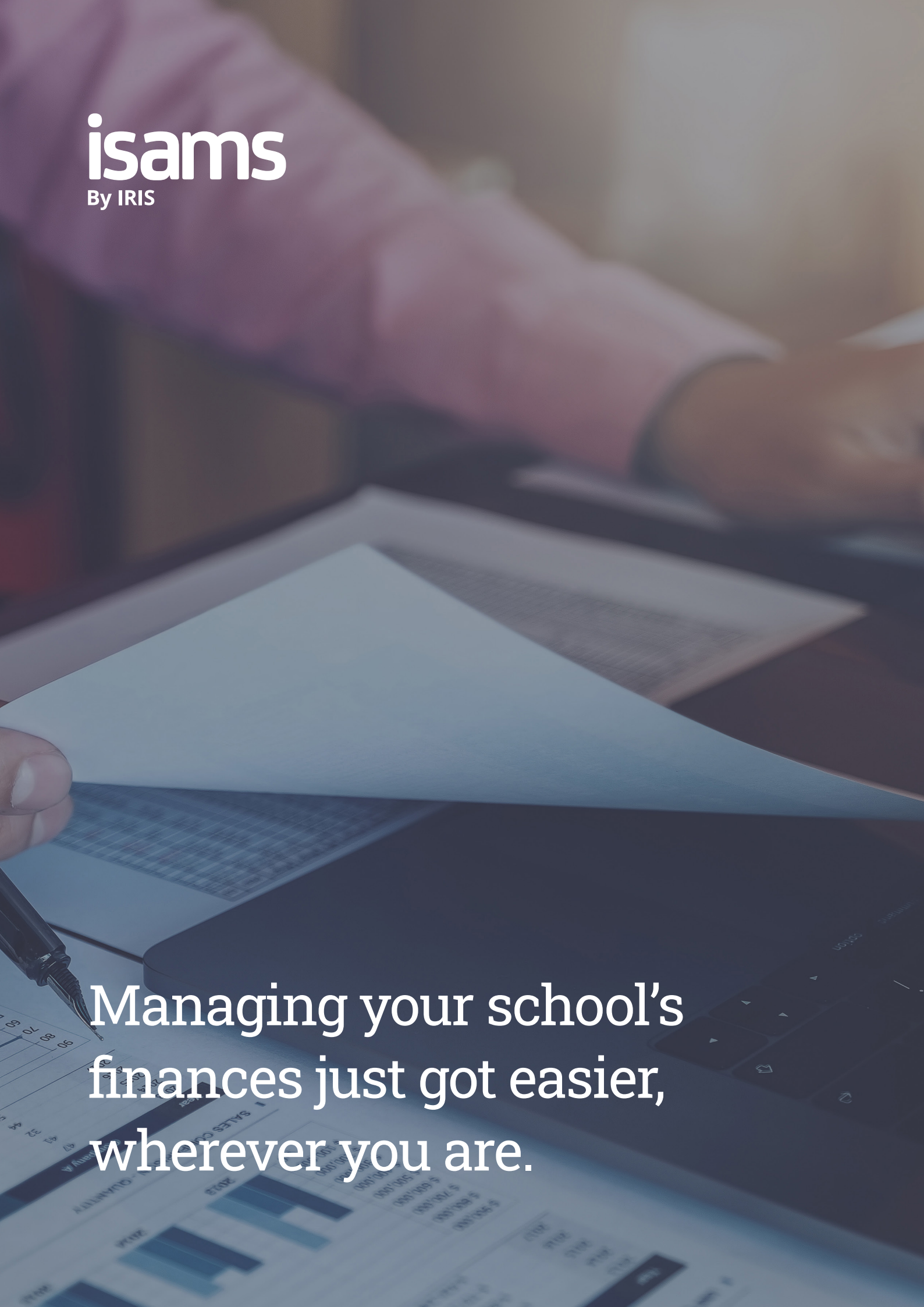

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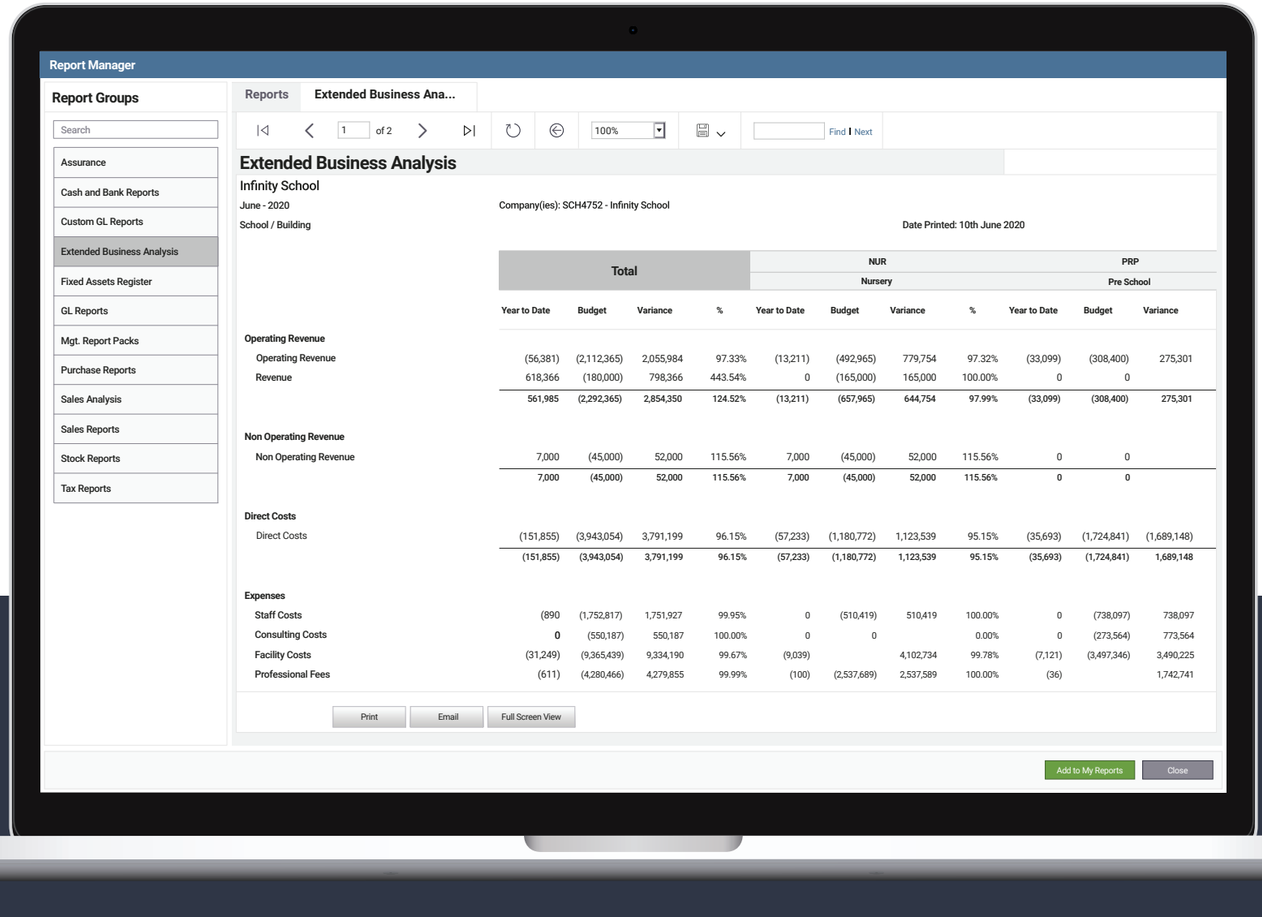
By IRIS

Managing your school's finances just got easier, wherever you are.

Secure and Reliable.
Access Anywhere and Anytime.
Save Time and Money.



A fee billing and accounting software that fully integrates with iSAMS, to support schools worldwide in improving the efficiency of their financial management and reporting.

Join our growing community...

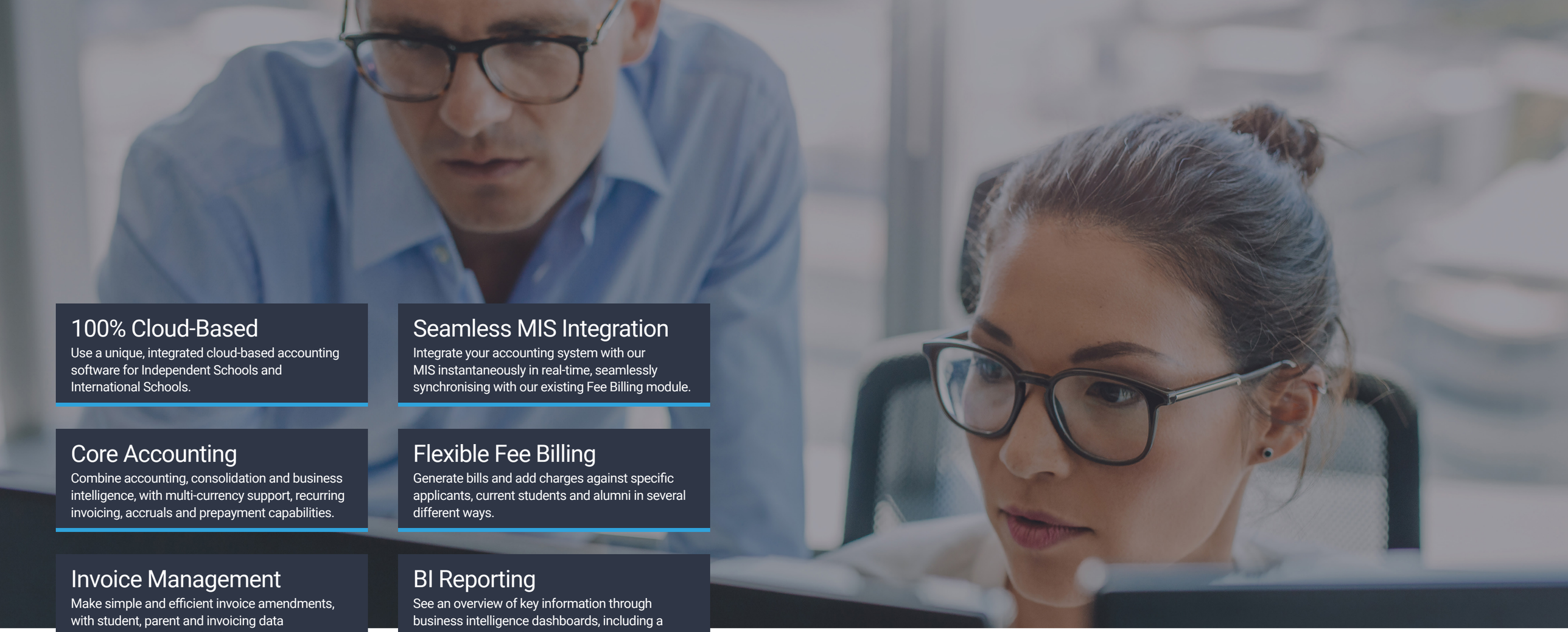
1,500+ schools & groups trust iSAMS

1.4M+ student profiles managed by iSAMS

90+ countries use the platform everyday

180+ schools migrated to iSAMS last year

170+ employees supporting iSAMS



100% Cloud-Based

Use a unique, integrated cloud-based accounting software for Independent Schools and International Schools.

Seamless MIS Integration

Integrate your accounting system with our MIS instantaneously in real-time, seamlessly synchronising with our existing Fee Billing module.

Core Accounting

Combine accounting, consolidation and business intelligence, with multi-currency support, recurring invoicing, accruals and prepayment capabilities.

Flexible Fee Billing

Generate bills and add charges against specific applicants, current students and alumni in several different ways.

Invoice Management

Make simple and efficient invoice amendments, with student, parent and invoicing data synchronised at the click of a single button.

BI Reporting

See an overview of key information through business intelligence dashboards, including a budget-holder's dashboard.

Fixed Assets

Manage your school and group assets via a single database, which can be accessed easily.

Workflow / PO Approval

Automatically send paperless purchase orders (POs) and purchase invoices for approval before they are posted to the accounting system.

Stock Management

Add and integrate stock management with our distribution module.

Expense Capture

Enable employees to record expenses and outlay against internal/external projects and managers to approve.

Bank Reconciliation

Easily allocate funds and payments against outstanding balances with auto-bank reconciliation.

Group Consolidation

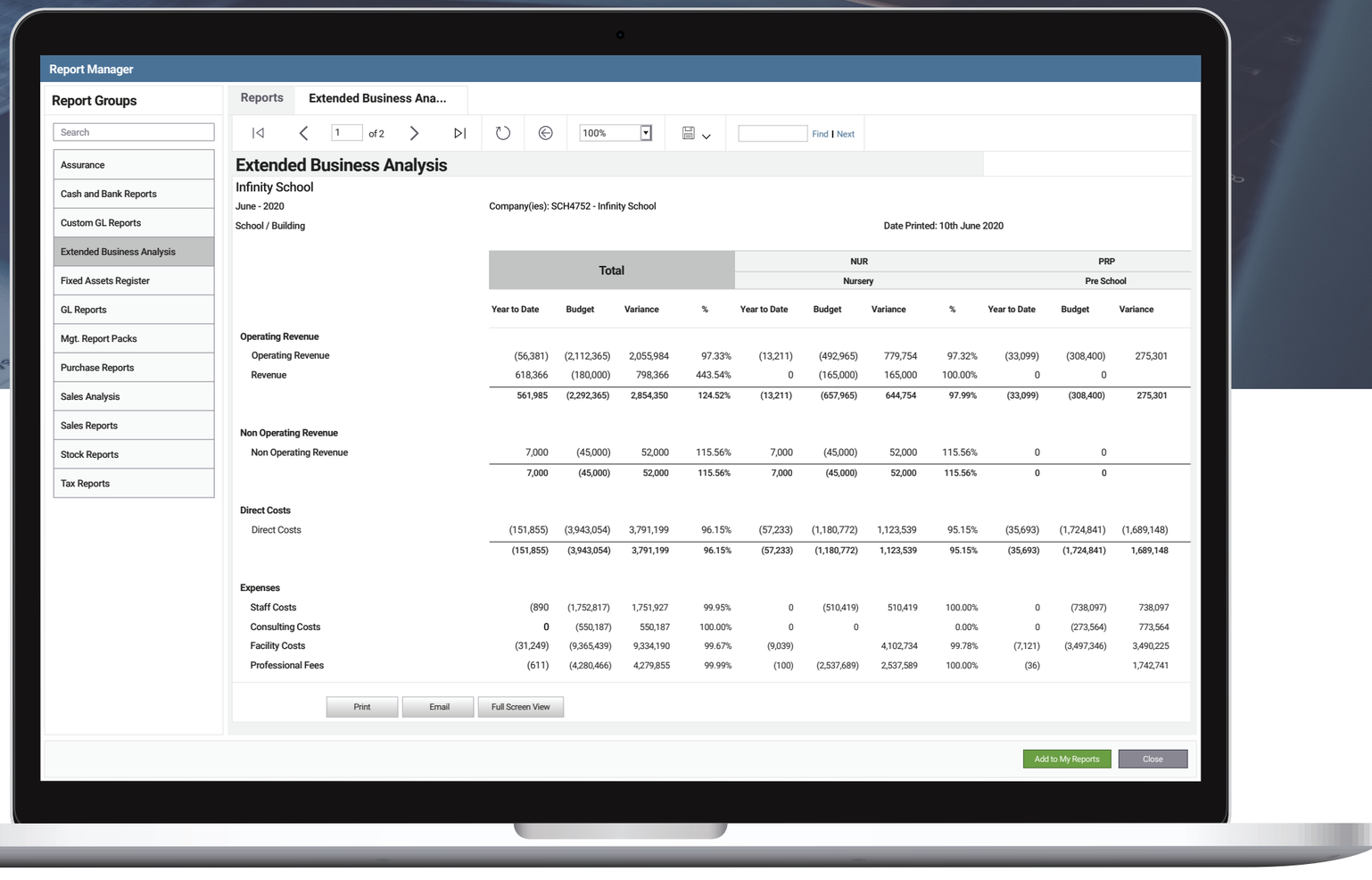
Consolidate groups and entities, accessing consolidation reports in just one click.

A feature-rich accounting solution to meet all your Bursary's needs

Save time. Increase efficiency. Support your long-term financial strategy.

Manage every aspect of your school's accounts and balances

Powerful Accounting



Cloud-Based

Save time and increase efficiency with our powerful cloud-based accounting software.

A Single Database

Unify accounting, consolidation and business intelligence in one intuitive platform.

Interactive Dashboard

Access key information via interactive dashboards, and easily export reports.

Pre-Build Reports

Use 250 pre-built reports or customise your own.

Bank Reconciliation

Quickly allocate funds and payments against outstanding balances with auto-bank reconciliation.

Live Bank Feeds

Link your bank accounts directly with iFinance for an up-to-date view of your daily transactions.

Complete control over all bills and invoices for tuition fees

Comprehensive Flexible Billing

Fee Billing

Meet all your fee billing requirements through a simple, adaptable module.

Split Billing

Assign multiple bill-payers for an individual bill with our comprehensive split billing system.

Bills and Charges

Generate bills and add charges in several different ways.

Reoccurring Charges

Allocate charges by individuals or batch, assigning single, multiple and/or recurring charges.

Invoicing

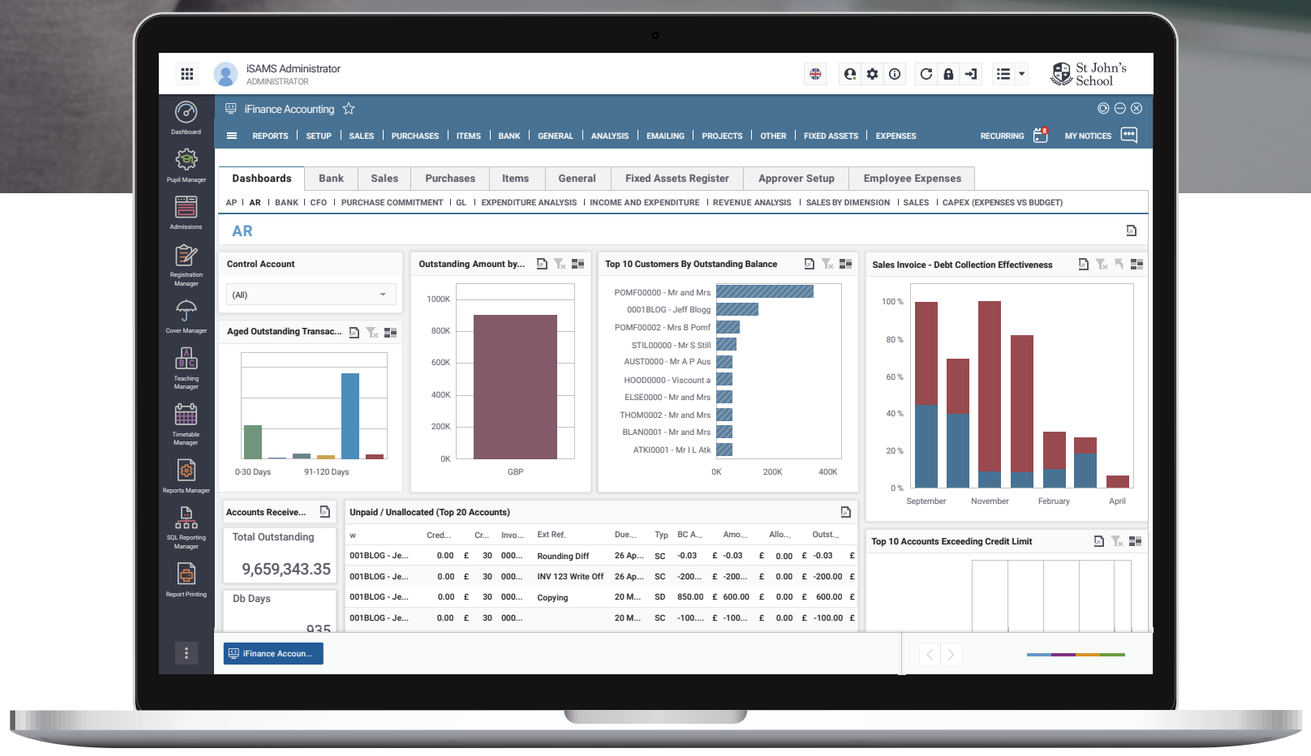
Amend invoices quickly and easily.

Synchronic Data

Synchronise student, parent and invoicing data at the click of a button.

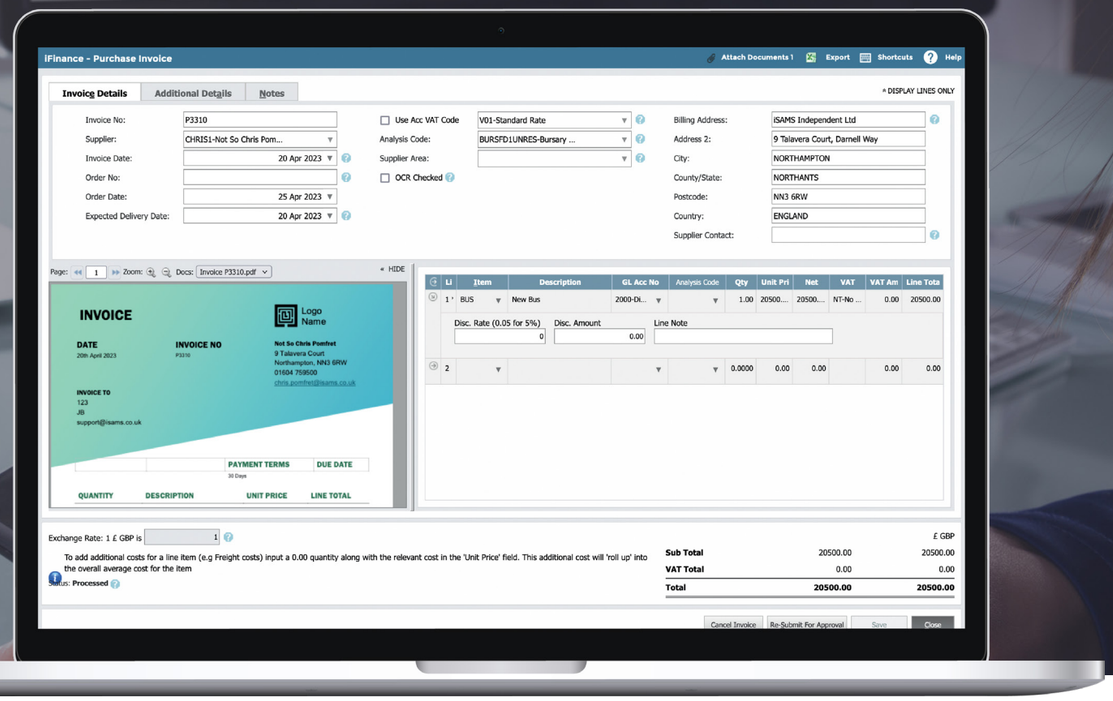
Payments from Parents

Publish invoices directly to the Parent Portal, where parents can view a full payment history and make new payments securely online.



AP Inbox

Go paperless and speed up your invoice processing



Supplier identification

Suppliers are identified automatically, including email addresses, company name and VAT registration number.

Split screen display

View your PDF invoice on the left with the header and transaction lines above and to the right of your screen for fast data entry

Export AP Inbox

Export your AP Inbox to Excel for quick analysis of invoices that are awaiting processing.

Document management

Non-invoice documents are sent to a configurable fallback email for review.

Auto-create invoices

Use AP Inbox to automatically create invoices with one line for simple completion.

Currency recognition

Automatic currency recognition for currencies that exist within the company.

Duplicate invoices

AP Inbox detects duplicate invoice numbers at supplier level with a fallback email for review.

Streamline finance team efficiency

Reduce the amount of time required to work through your inbox with a quick, cloud-based solution.

Manage labour costs

Spend less time managing and chasing staff thanks to centralised inbound invoices.

Reduce errors

Lose less invoices and remove space for errors in your inbox management, ensuring all outgoings are checked and approved before payment.

Improved processing costs

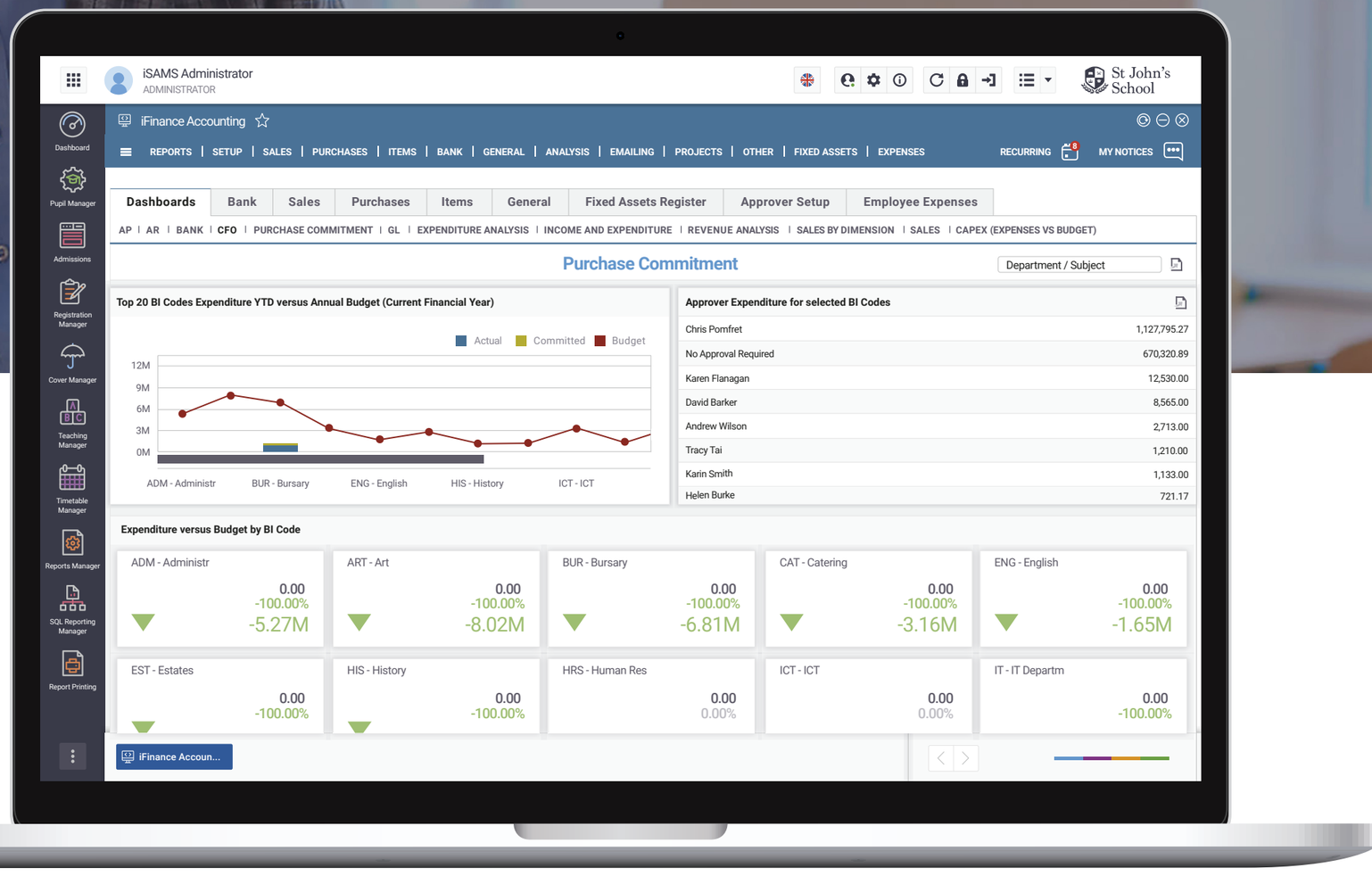
Your finance team spend less time on time-consuming tasks like filing, chasing and copying invoices, allowing them to focus on key tasks.

Paperless accounting

Reduce paperwork and go digital to work efficiently with suppliers, ensuring positive business relationships.

Workflow and purchase order (PO) approval

Automatically send paperless POs and purchase invoices for approval before they are posted to the accounting system



Auto-Approval

Save time by creating an auto approval process for reviewing or approving invoices by authorised personnel.

Integrated Invoice Capture

Avoid laborious manual processing through our fully integrated invoice capture with accounting.

Real-Time Views

Keep track of each request with real-time views of the status of an approval.

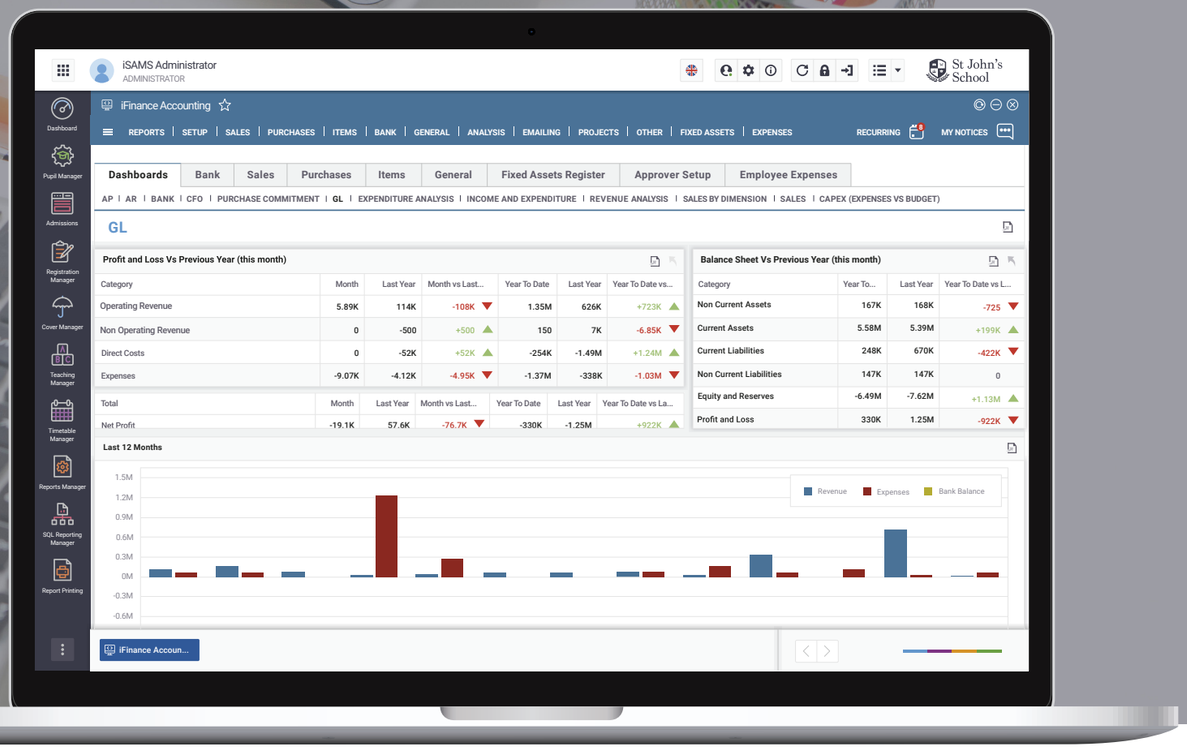
Data Security

Secure your data and ensure it won't be accidentally altered, as authorised approvers don't need to be system users.

Layers of Approval

Add customisable layers of approval.

Fixed Asset Register



Single Database

Simplify consolidations with individual SQL databases for each of your schools and companies within the group.

Easy Approval Process

Quickly and easily approve fixed asset POs or invoices through our approval workflow and app.

Avoid Excel

Automatically translate the results of each group consolidation into your preferred currency, using stored exchange rates from the reporting period.

Upload Documents

Upload accompanying documents and key information with our document management functionality, for purchase invoices, warranties and contracts.

Schedule Dates

Schedule dates for maintenance or renewal, so you don't have to manually keep track of them.

Link Assets

Link assets to leases or loans to ensure you have a clear paper trail of accountability.

Automated Journals

Automate depreciation journals, highlighting how much your assets have lost value without any manual calculations.

Fixed Asset Schedule

Use our fixed asset schedule and notes for your auditors, for added ease when it comes to financial reporting and auditing.

CapEx Forecasting

Improve financial planning; analysis of your school's operations and oversight expenditure.

Manage and store all your company and group assets via this single database

Empower employees to record expenses and outlay them against internal projects, external projects and managers to approve

Expenses Capture

Capture Photos

Easily capture photos of expense items or receipts on your smartphone and upload them without having to spend time scanning documents.

Line Manager Approval

Submit expenses to your line manager for approval at the click of a button.

Route Expense Capture

Route expenses for client re-charge as and when needed.

Tag Companies

Tag as company paid or to be reimbursed, to ensure you keep track of the status of each claim.

Tag Projects

Tag expenditure to a particular project to accurately account for the cost of each project.

Integrate Google Maps

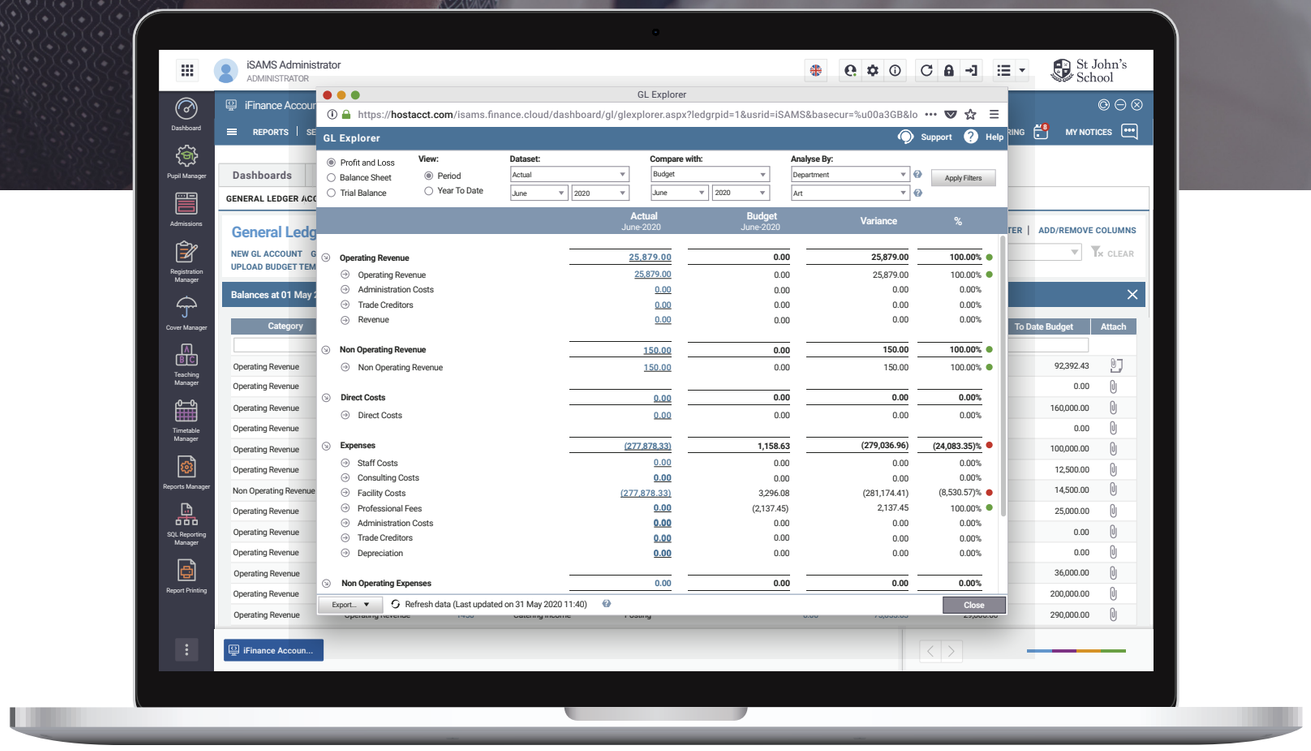
Integrate with Google Maps so you can use data directly from here when creating start-stop mileage claims.

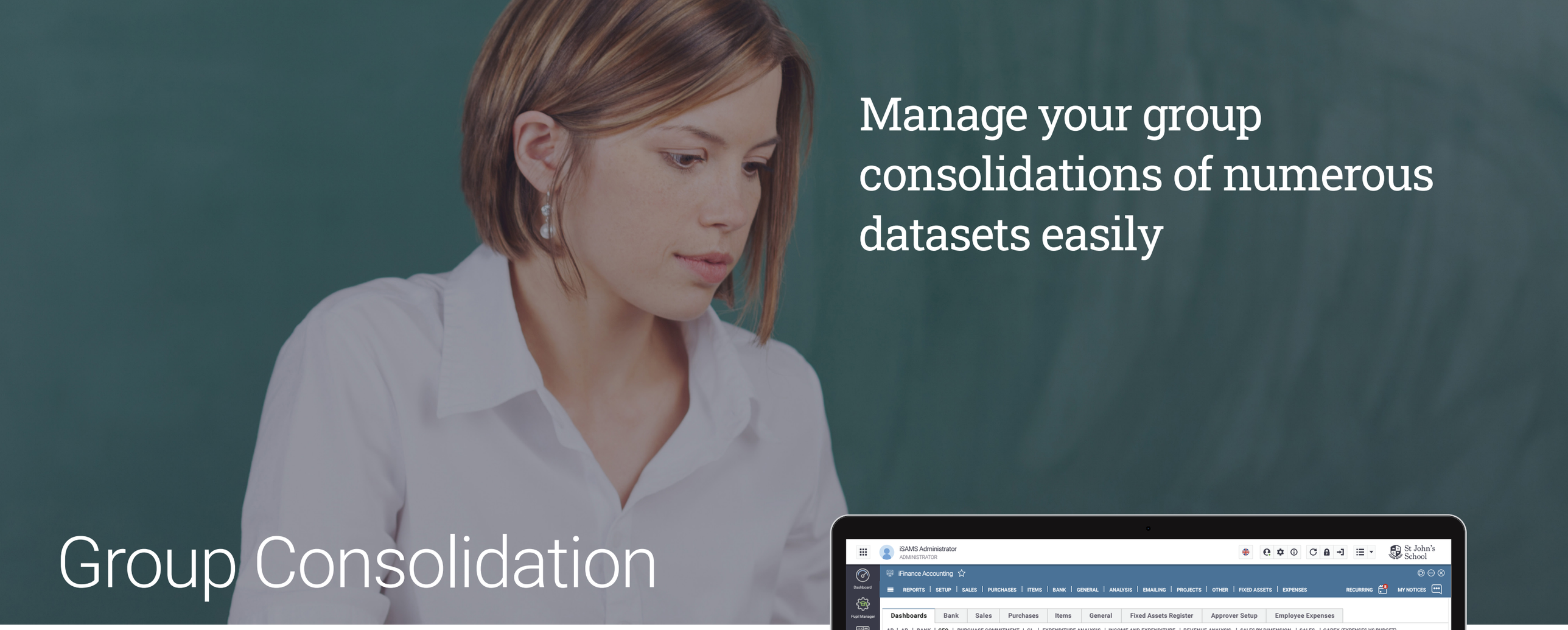
Lock Fixed Expenses

Lock fixed expense items to reduce the risk of error and avoid multiple submissions for the same expense claim.

Integrated Ledger

Ensure expense claims are automatically paid once approved, via integration with the finance ledger.





Group Consolidation

Manage your group consolidations of numerous datasets easily

Simplify Monthly Consolidations

Simplify consolidations with individual SQL databases for each of your schools and companies within the group.

Real-time Results

Access these consolidated results in real-time via this single system.

Currency Exchange

Automatically translate the results of exchange rates from the reporting period.

BI Analysis

Immediately view overall performance and gain insights into financial trends with a BI analysis structure.

Group Sales and Purchase Analysis

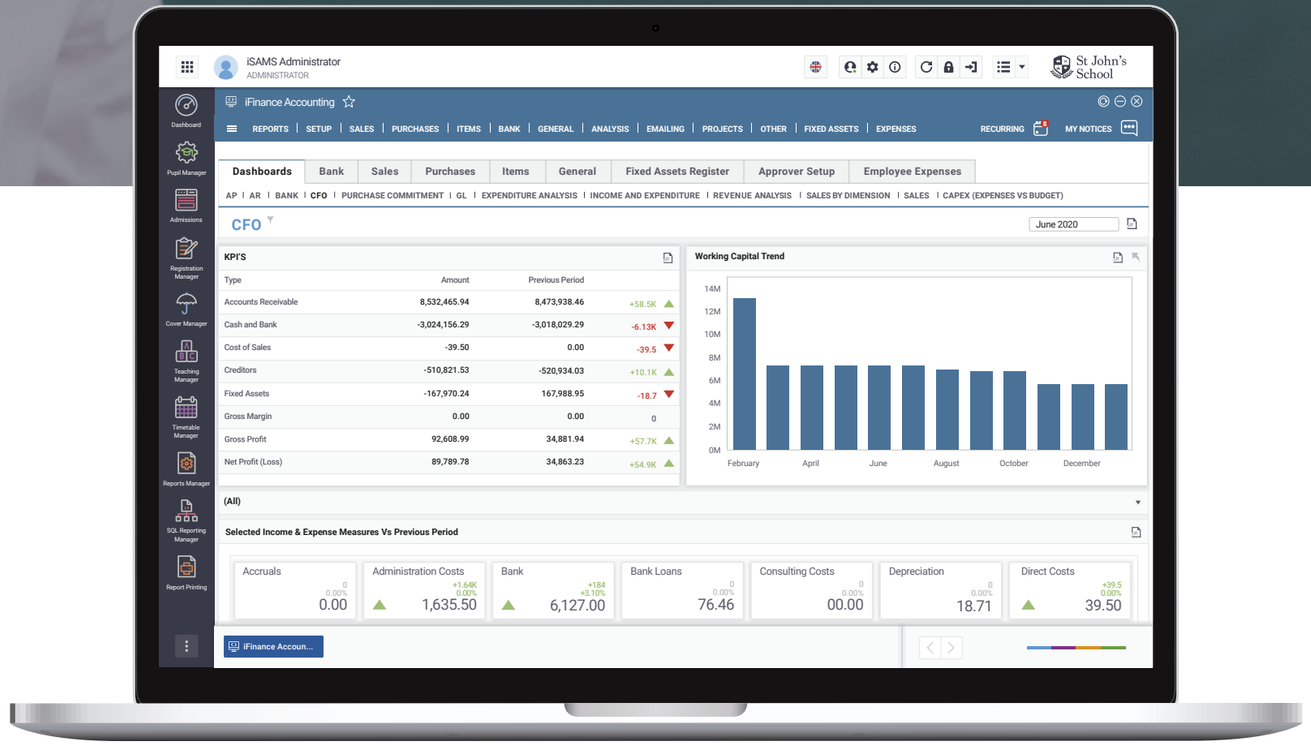
Group Sales and Purchase Analysis together, allowing simpler reporting for frequently bought products and services.

External Budget Holders

Extend access to budget holders outside of your Finance team without the risk of errors being made or security breaches.

Powerful Reporting on Transactions

Highlight and report on transactions made across the entire school community in a matter of minutes, shareable through an accessible Excel spreadsheet.



Switch to iFinance

It’s easier than you think.

The biggest part of transitioning to a new accounting system is looking at your nominal accounts and analysis codes, and deciding how you want to structure reports moving forwards.

If you did decide to go ahead with iFinance, you’ll be assigned a dedicated Project Manager for the entirety of the implementation process. This Project Manager will work with you to decide how best to progress and will ensure that you make the most of iFinance’s full capacity; it’s a very powerful piece of software and we want all our partner schools to experience the full potential of this unique accounting system.

Why iSAMS?

Sophisticated Software

Greater accessibility

Hosted in the cloud iFinance is accessible anywhere.

Long-lasting solutions

A modular architecture to build your own system and grow with it.

Make it your own

Add your own branding to the customisable front-end.

Easy to use system

Feel the benefits of intuitive system navigation.

Protect your data

With advanced security technology, your data and assets remain secure.

Innovative technology

Developed with the latest, most reliable server and client-side technology.

Full Support Service

Updates, Upgrades & Maintenance

Enjoy regular system enhancements, with bi-weekly updates scheduled at times of minimal use.

Training

Receive module-specific training or whole system overviews, conducted by one of our specialist Trainers.

Support

Reach our dedicated Support team with live support across multiple time zones and Service Centres in the UK and Australia.

Reporting Services

Our Reporting Services team are experts in extracting data from your system and presenting it in easy-to-read formats, helping you with all your reporting needs.

Customer Account Managers

Maximise your use of iSAMS to meet your school's needs, with advice from your dedicated Customer Account Manager.

iCommunity Site

Access all product, company and community news through this online forum, where you can also connect with peers to share new knowledge and ideas.

Marketplace

Find best-of-breed software solutions at the iSAMS Marketplace, to integrate disparate systems and streamline key school processes.

iUniversity

A dedicated online platform for on-demand iSAMS learning.

Satisfied schools

1,500+ schools and counting have made the switch to iSAMS

"In times when every penny counts, we have found the analysis tools and management information provided by iFinance to be second to none. This has helped with both day to day operational decisions through to strategic direction at Board level."

Michael Coles - Bursar

St Edward's Cheltenham, England

"When we set out on our journey to implement a new accounting system for the Kingsworth Group of Schools, ease of use, integration with our MIS, friendly relations and great customer service were top of our pre-requisites. With iFinance, we have all of that and more!"

Jacob Martin — Director of Teaching & Learning

Kingsworth International School

"iFinance is a great cloud based accounting product and easy to use. Able to produce statutory and management accounts efficiently and the reporting capabilities are numerous for any sized business wanting to enhance its business intelligence information."

Stephen Plant, Finance Manager

Gayhurst School

"It made sense to implement iFinance – we wanted synergy between our systems, we wanted a cloud-based solution and we wanted to make use of the information already in our MIS within the finance department. iFinance ticked those boxes."

Cathy Tilly — Assistant Director of Finance

Latymer Upper School, London, England

"Since moving to iSAMS the day-to-day management of our school data has improved significantly, increasing efficiency across the school."

Mark Smith — Technical Services Manager

Cheadle Hulme School, Greater Manchester, England

"I would recommend it highly for independent and international schools. I can't think of an MIS system that would do a better job. Everything we want to do we can do with iSAMS, and we can now provide a better education for our pupils."

Richard Marchant — Principal

New English School Kuwait, Jabriya, Kuwait

"The finance team love the fact that iFinance is cloud-based and that they can access it from anywhere. They find it very user-friendly and the help and support they get from the iSAMS staff is phenomenal, so they're very happy with the switch over."

Wendy Booth – iSAMS Coordinator at DESSC

Dubai English Speaking School, Dubai

2005
iSAMS officially launches, offering the first web-based MIS on the market, and welcoming Rugby School and Warwick School

2008
iSAMS receives growing interest from some well-known schools and we welcome our first Prep School

2009
iSAMS goes global and we welcome our first school international schools

2011
We welcome our 100th client

2014
We welcome our 300th school, including our first Grammar School

2015
We launch our suite of multi-lingual Mobile Apps, compatible on iOS and Android

2016
We are recognised as the leading MIS supplier to Independent Schools, and we introduce the iSAMS Marketplace

2017
Over 850 schools, academies and MATs have chosen iSAMS as their trusted MIS partner

2018
We launched our Wellbeing Manager and Data Protection modules, plus our fully integrated, online accounting solution - iFinance

2019
Even more intuitive than before, our improved user interface and secure single sign-on MIS now supports 950+ schools in over 75 countries

2020
iSAMS joins the IRIS Software Group and we're proud to welcome our 1,000th school to our growing community, which now spans more than 80 countries.

2022
We welcomed our 1,300th school and launched iUniversity, an on-demand learning platform, plus a payment gateway designed for schools.

2023
Introduced Central, powered by PowerBI, and now supporting 1,500+ schools globally with 1.4 million student profiles.

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