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Message from the Head of School

Greetings Alumni,

I'd like to wish you a very Happy New Year!

Though the last year has been challenging, it has also been a year filled with hope. Remote and distance learning has enabled us faculty and students to find new ways to learn and innovate. As we begin a new year, our students, faculty, and parents continue to work together to redefine what it means to be a virtual community. This edition celebrates the innovative spirit of our community!



Stonehill has opened its doors to M5 and D2 students for on-campus instruction. Next week, the M4 and D1 students will begin on-campus instruction as well. This is the first time we have had instruction on campus since 5th March 2020! We look forward to working together as a community to continue our passion for learning and pursuit of academic and creative excellence.

As we navigate the challenges and opportunities of 2021, we are hopeful of welcoming more students safely back on campus. We greatly appreciate your support and look forward to having you visit our campus when it is safe to do so.

Sincerely,

Dr. Brian Brumsickle
Head of School

We are Excited to Hear From:

Margot Badin



Margot Badin joined Stonehill in 2013 and graduated in 2016. After graduating from Stonehill, she attended Lancaster University, UK. Margot graduated in July 2020, completing a BA with Honours in Management and European Languages.

"I am now pursuing an MBA in Project Management in Barcelona."

Terence de Meza

Terence de Meza joined Stonehill in 2014 and was with us for five years. Terence was actively involved in sports during his time at Stonehill. He is now in university in the Netherlands and it was wonderful to hear from him.

"I'm pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Biomedical Sciences and I am currently in my second year. I love being able to go to the lab and feel like a researcher!"

I'm the Head of Education and on the Board of my study association. I'm also a student council representative, with a national organisation that is involved with education in biomedical sciences in the Netherlands.

The corona pandemic has taken a heavy mental toll on me. Combined with other issues that I struggle with, this has led me to see a psychologist regularly and I am working actively to feel better and healthier. I try to see my friends and still get to have some on-site classes and practicals. What I would really recommend for future university students is to be willing to talk to a therapist about stress, because burning out is not worth it."

Charles Henley



Charles Hanley was at Stonehill from 2013 to 2015. He is originally from Peoria, Illinois. He wrote in to tell us what he's been upto after he left Stonehill.

"I graduated from St. Ambrose University, a small catholic college in Davenport, Iowa, in May. I studied multimedia journalism. I've been a newsroom intern for a local news station close to my college and it's been a great experience! I write web stories and I'm also learning news production. After I graduate, I hope to be either in news production or a digital writer. I miss India and Stonehill so much! I definitely took it for granted when I was a student there. Stonehill really helped me and that's the reason why I'm doing so well today!"

The Stonehill Founder's Day Run Goes Virtual

The Stonehill Founder's Day Run, an annual event at Stonehill that celebrates the School's Founder, Mr. Jitu Virwani, went virtual this year on the 27th of September 2020. There was widespread participation from within and outside the Stonehill community with over 400 individuals, participating in different categories including a half marathon, 10K and 5K run, clocking in from not just Bangalore but across the world!



For more pictures, click [here](#).

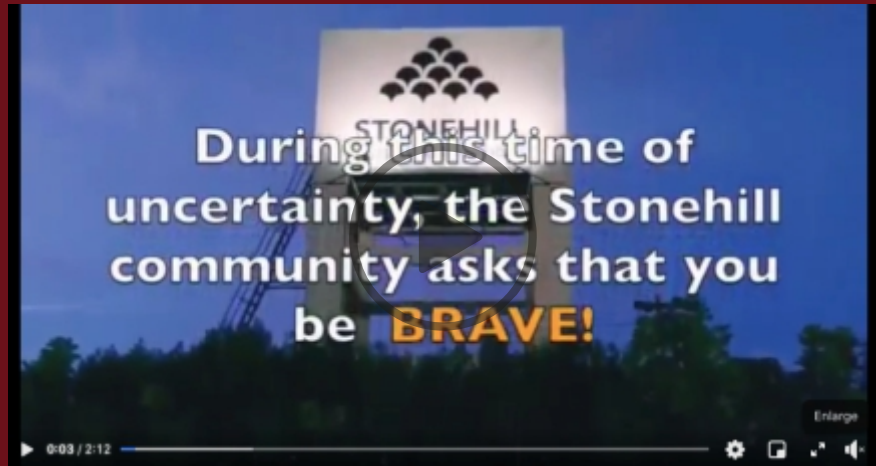
Stonehill International School matched the total fees raised through registrations for the Stonehill Founder's Day Virtual Run and donated it to the Morning Star Ashram, a home for underprivileged children with physical and mental illnesses. The Head of School, Dr. Brian Brumsickle and the PTA Charity Representative, Ms. Annette, visited the Ashram and donated the proceeds.



For more pictures, click [here](#).

The SIS Community Stands United and Brave

At the start of a very unique school year, our student council, in collaboration with the management, teachers and administration, put together a message for the entire school community.



The Student Council Election Campaign Won Our Hearts and Our Votes!

The Student Council (STUCO) elections took place in November 2020. The election campaigns this year were creative and brilliant! Take a look!



Diwali 2020 - Spreading Light Over Darkness

This year, we tried to retain some sense of celebratory spirit during Diwali. Our Education Leadership Team got together and lit diyas to celebrate the wonderful festival of lights!



The Show Must Go On

Our Winter Concert is held in school every December, but this year as the campus remained closed, our talented students put together a virtual concert. Watch the full concert below:



We Have a New Campus Video!

Feeling nostalgic? Take a tour of Stonehill with our new campus video! This will give you a feel of our lush green campus and the two new state-of-the-art facilities!

The new STEM Block features purpose-built science, design and technology laboratories equipped for resistant materials and robotics as well as new mathematics learning spaces. The new beautifully designed Arts Centre features a black box drama studio, purpose-built music rooms and art studios.

Watch the video below and fall in love with our campus all over again!



Alumni Speak

It would be great to hear from you!

We encourage you to share your achievements, articles, or snippets of how life beyond Stonehill has been for you and we will be happy to feature these in the next edition of Beyond The Stone Newsletter and the Stonehill website. Fill out this [Form](#) to receive some cool Stonehill merchandise.

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