



STONYHURST ANYWHERE

FRIDAY 3RD JULY



From the Headmaster

**“ . . . a Society that needs to have, so to speak,
one foot in the air
ready to hasten from place to place,
according to our vocation
and the Institute which we follow in our Lord”**

**Letter from St Ignatius to Mateo Sebastián de Morrano, Rome,
22nd February 1549**

Stonyhurst has a tradition of responding creatively to persecution, upheaval and war. In 1593 the first boys sailed from Dover to Saint-Omer in France to found the English College. Various political situations provoked subsequent moves to Liège and Bruges. The move to Stonyhurst in 1794 was as a consequence of England declaring war on France following the French Revolution.

St Ignatius told his first Jesuit companions that as a missionary order they should have ‘one foot in the air’. Ready for the next challenge, and to go where the need is greatest. So the question we faced at Easter was:

‘If Stonyhurst can deal with Napoleon how are we going to deal with the Coronavirus?’

People have often joked about Stonyhurst moving again, but who could have envisaged that our response to the 2020 global pandemic would be to move every aspect of the school online!

The whole experience has brought us all closer together as a community around our central mission – the formation of our young people.

So many of the Stonyhurst family have been in touch to say how much they have enjoyed the more intimate connection with the life of the College. Who knew that Thursday Hymn Practice could become such a hit!

There have also been so many examples of compassion and generosity both within our community and beyond. The virtues captured in the Pupil Profile lived out by our young people have never been more important or relevant.

We now must reflect on all that has been achieved and the learning to inform the future. There is no doubt that the experience of the past few months will leave a deep imprint on the lives of everyone. We have embraced ways of working in a way that would have taken a decade or more without the external stimulus for change. I see this as an opportunity for a paradigm shift. For a re-imagining of Stonyhurst. To fully integrate our values and tradition with innovation and a global view.

Stonyhurst has demonstrated that it can match the best schools in terms of innovation. This will now be a key driver for our future. Our culture now embraces this. Staff have demonstrated creative, if not ‘radical’, thinking. The pupils have already identified the ongoing advantages of blended and flipped learning, of being able to re-watch lessons for revision, of being able to access material in a way and at a time that works for individuals as well as class groups. Our ‘new normal’ for learning has been re-set.

The innovation in delivering all other areas of school life has been equally astonishing and many examples are captured in this Stonyhurst Anywhere Newsletter.

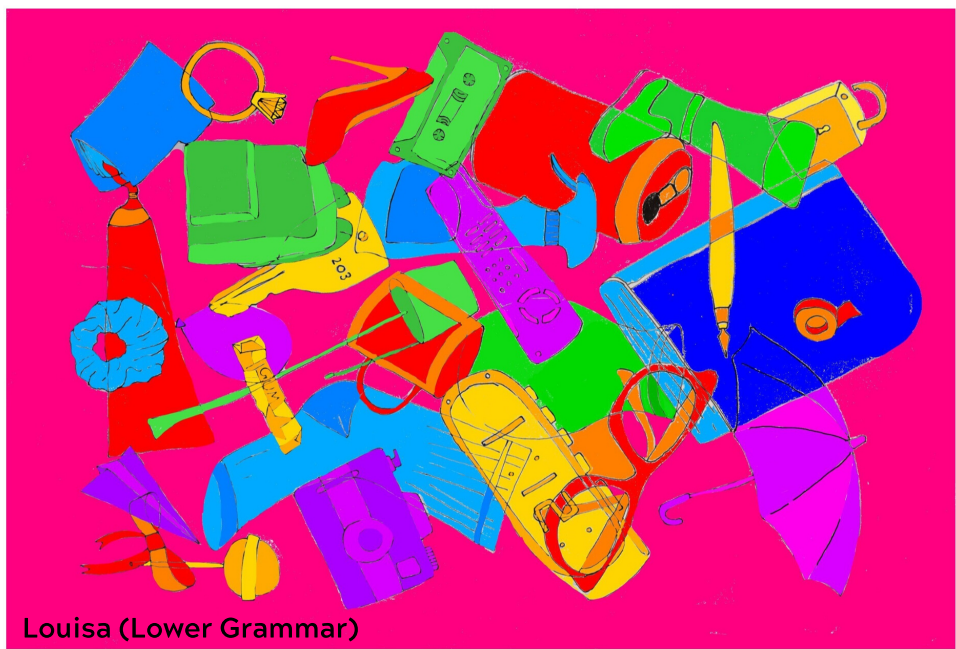
So what of the future? We shall capture the best of Stonyhurst Anywhere. The opportunities are only limited by imagination.

We shall use our time together when we are able to return to the campus to enrich those elements that make a school a living community: social and emotional connection, camaraderie, and fun!

Have a wonderful Summer and I look forward to having everyone back in September.

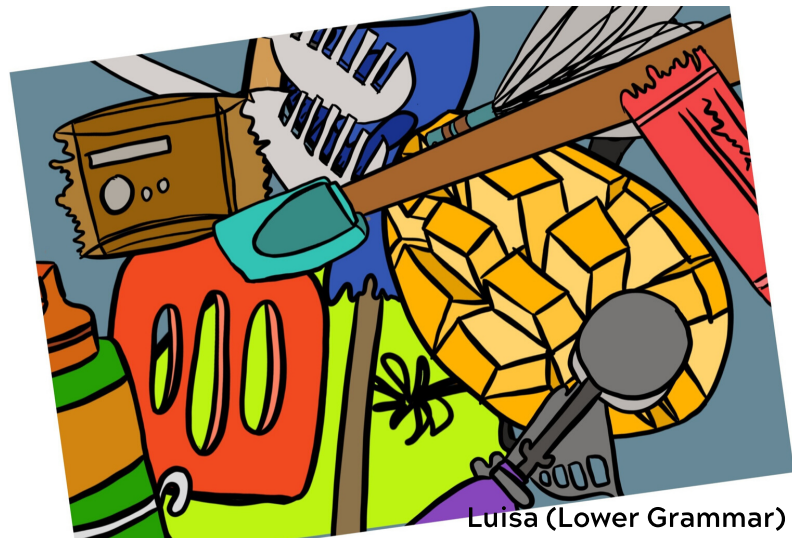
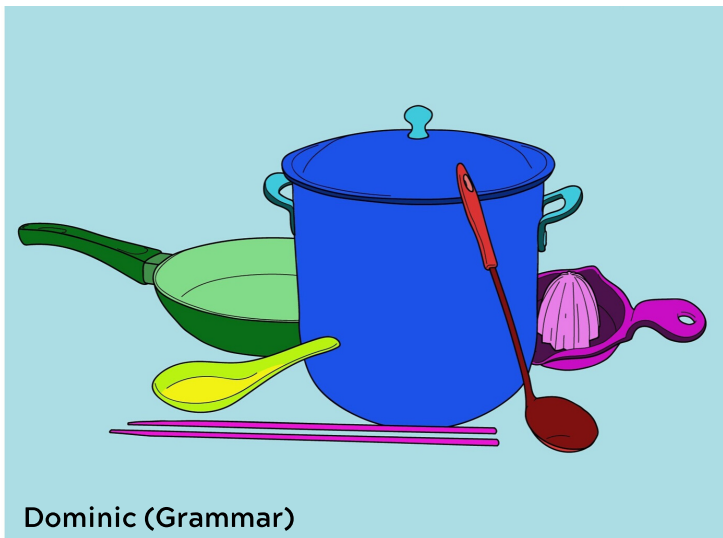
Soha Browne

Academic Excellence



Finding Art in Everything

Have you found yourself snacking more these last few months? Well, working on the theme 'Eating our way through lockdown', our Lower Grammar and Grammar pupils have produced brilliant art pieces. Pupils were inspired by artists such as Michael Craig Murphy and John Bratby to look at the 'ordinary' things around them at home, they have drawn with food from their kitchens, built sculpture with kitchen utensils and created collages with biscuits. The pupils had a great deal of fun and the results have been fantastic, some of which can be seen below.



Made in the Image of God Black Lives Matter Campaign

During the past week Religious Studies pupils have been looking at the Black Lives Matter Campaign and what it means to be made in the image of God. Pupils were invited to create a campaign poster to raise awareness of some of the issues faced. The department have been overwhelmed by the standard of entry and the willingness of pupils to take part. Here are some of the wonderful creations submitted by pupils, we are sure you will agree they are truly outstanding!

Black Lives Matter

I've always been told that black is darkness, white is light
Black is a stain, and purity is white
That some people are born into their skin and that's alright
But others are born, scared to live their lives

You're walking around saying that 'All Lives Matter'
But ignore the fact that your life's been handed to you on a silver platter
You want to end this overnight,
But what you don't realise is that we've been fighting for life

You expect me to be silent and to beautify my words,
To water down my tears and erase all of my hurt,
You expect to me silent on all of these issues
You want it to end, when black lives are being misused

This isn't a case of who's black and who's white
It's a case that we're fighting for lives and what's right
You see all these photos that are plastered on the internet
Yet you turn away, shade your eyes and decide not to intercept

I wish I could teach you all about your history
To open your eyes and see what you fail to see
And stop wrapping it up in this palatable package,
To open your eyes and see what really happened

You say that you're sick of hearing it on the news
That you don't want to see a fight between the blacks and the blues
But when you have governed ideologies and you're scared to place blame
How can you expect all of this to magically change?

So you can sit there whilst we fight for what's right
And you can turn yourself away from the realities of life
Or you can take a stand and advocate with your power
Either way Black Lives Matter, yesterday, today, tomorrow
Every single hour.

Poem by Francesca



A Fond Farewell to Our Rhetoric English B Pupils

It was wonderful to have the opportunity to say goodbye to some of our IB English B Rhetoricians last Friday. They have enjoyed their U-Prep courses and are now looking forward to embarking on their next steps towards their chosen careers. I would like to wish them and all of our Rhetoricians the very best of luck in their future studies and endeavours. Miss Mitchell



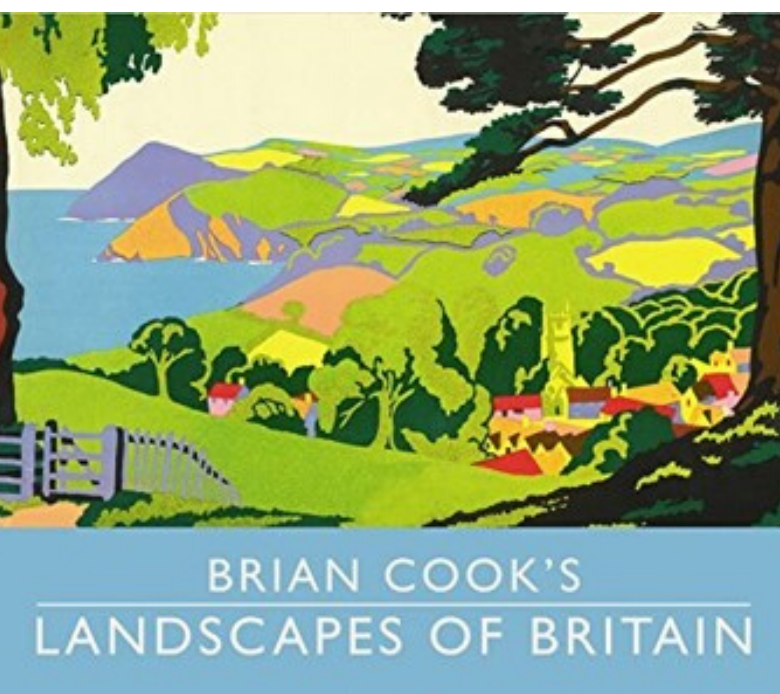


Mocktail Fun for our EAL Pupils

Lower Grammar EAL ended their term with some unusual lessons! From Mrs Addy's kitchen the pupils learnt how to make a Green Tea 'Mocktail' after having 'sampled' different loose leaf teas from around the world. The pupils then undertook their task with relish to create an 'EAL Mocktail' of their own, which was a resounding success from Mexico to China!

The final lesson focused on quintessential England. Starting with a 'Virtual Tour of Cotswold Villages', looking particularly at the architecture, it was followed by an introduction to Sir Brian Cook Batsford, illustrator and designer of Batsford Books from 1928-1950s. His works are known for his particular use of vibrant colour for the dust jackets of the books, and also its quintessential British matter using the Jean Berte process. The Lower Grammarians then used Batsford's style to create their own art work including Gloucester Cathedral and Kelmscott Manor, home of William Morris, as well as Arlington Row, Bibury and Chastleton House, Oxfordshire.

In the newly founded 'Bowland Society' for EAL learners in Lower Line in September, the pupils will learn about the English Apothecary Garden with Mrs Addy and also use the Batsford technique to create images of Stonyhurst and the surrounding area to be made into cards.



P.A.S.T History Society Magazine

"I am delighted to present the 2020 edition of the P.A.S.T. History Society Magazine. In addition to regular talks organised by Mr Ridout, the society produces this magazine, which is published each year at Great Academies. The lockdown this year has made producing the magazine exceptionally challenging. Thankfully, in Judith, a Poetry IB pupil from Germany, we have had an exceptional editor who was more than up to the job. In this year when we celebrate 20 Years of Full Co-Education at the College, it is fitting that we have had a female editor for only the second time - the first was Asmita Chitnis (OS 2012) - and the content of several of the articles have feminine or feminist themes. The subject-matter of the articles is wide-ranging, including the Apocalypse, the history of Exams, Art in 1400, Florence Nightingale, American Civil Rights and Punk Rock.



One article worthy of particular mention is that about the life of Cato Bontjes van Beek an unsung heroine of the resistance against the Nazis. This contains original research by Judith and is a testament to the curiosity and research skills that I hope have been encouraged and developed whilst Judith has been a pupil of history at Stonyhurst. Whatever the content, and there is some challenging material here, this magazine is a testament to the interest and commitment of all of the pupils who contributed articles. The magazine has been produced entirely by the pupils. It has been a genuine team effort and they deserve every credit for it.

Finally, in keeping with previous editions of the magazine, monies raised from sales are to be given to the Xavier Project, an organisation founded by Edmund Page OS who was himself a keen pupil of history whilst at the College. There is an article in the magazine describing the work of Xavier Project in providing education for refugees in Uganda and Kenya. I would urge you to consider giving as generously as you can to the project via this link [here](#).

Mr Turner
Head of History

The Windhover Magazine

Welcome to the final edition of The Windhover for this academic year. We have all spent the term away from Stonyhurst, but the editorial team and the various contributors have risen to the challenges of putting together the magazine via email and Teams. I hope this edition has a sense of Stonyhurst life to it.

It contains interviews with members of the community, conducted by some budding investigative journalists, who remain convinced that at least one member of the staff has a secret identity moonlighting for MI5. There are recommendations for new interests and inspirations to be enjoyed at home discovered during lockdown and shared here by teachers and pupils. You'll find some of the best entries to this year's Gerard Manley Hopkins Prize for original poetry: we start with Amy's moving exploration of early departure from school in March. Also published here are the winning senior, intermediate and junior essays written for the Robert Persons Prize Essay Competition (sponsored by the Stonyhurst A'ssocation), in which Hannah, Dilip and Nikolai reflect thoughtfully on the lessons we can learn and solace we can draw in difficult times from history and science. We conclude with some information about Robert Persons, founder of a school which can cope with anything.

Mr Leigh
Head of English

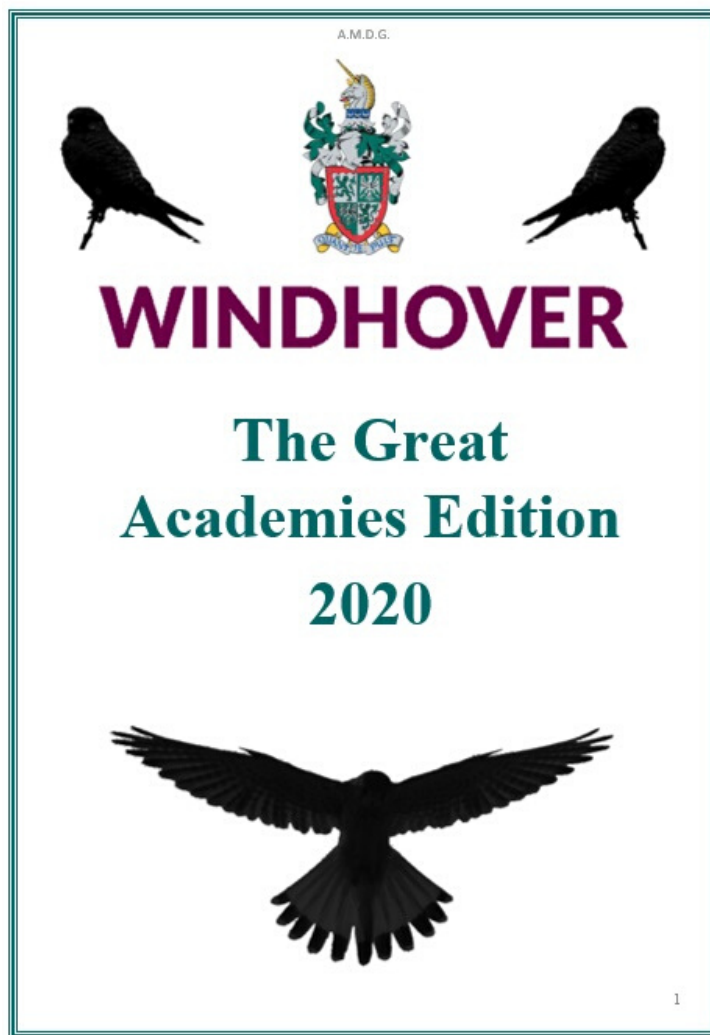
Many thanks to the following, for their contributions to this issue:

Pupils:

Ethan (Rhetoric); Hannah (Rhetoric); Amelia (Poetry); Amy (Poetry); Olivia (Poetry); Paddy (Poetry); JG (Syntax); Luke (Syntax); Madeleine (Syntax); Cian (Grammar); Dilip (Grammar); Hiba (Grammar); Nikolai (Lower Grammar); and the Wager Family.

Staff:

Miss Bridges; Mr Burgess; Mr Callinicos; Father Tim Curtis; Mrs Hargreaves; Mr Henderson; Mr Hughes; Mrs Joseph; Miss Livingstone; Mr Turner; Mrs Scott; Mrs Wood.



Academic Excellence



Lola with her Roman Shield

Roman Honey Cake...Made in a Day


Figures and Rudiments Latinists were given the task of being creative after their assessments.

Lola in Figures had fun making her own Roman shield (with clever use of aluminium foil for the boss) while others tried a recipe for honey cake from the Vindolanda Trust.

Sebastian (Ruds) reviewed his cake, saying 'The honey cake was a very interesting cake in more than one way; not only the taste but the recipe. The 200g of honey covered up the fact that there was absolutely no sugar involved in making it. However it was best eating this cake with fruit and cream since the honey didn't add as much sweetness as sugar would have done. The challenge of baking it was using a normal whisk. The Romans didn't have electricity so I can't even start to imagine the time and effort that went into making the eggs stiff. I think that this cake is a great cake that is very enjoyable to make and eat.'

Well done to all our Figures and Ruds pupils, brilliant work!

Roman Honey Cake Recipe



To celebrate our 50th birthday we thought we would share one of our favourite Roman recipes.

Ingredients:

- 50g FLOUR
- 3 EGGS
- 200g HONEY

You will need:

- Scales
- Sieve
- Baking tin or dish
- Spoon
- Wire cooling rack
- Whisk

Extra challenge - Try not to use an electric whisk - Romans didn't have electricity! Take it in turns to whisk the eggs and the honey.

Method:

Always wash your hands before preparing food.

- Preheat oven to 170°C, 330°F or gas mark 3. If you have a fan oven, turn off the fan if possible or put the heat down to 160°C.
- Grease your baking tin,
- Break the eggs into a bowl and beat them hard and well until they are stiff,
- Gradually beat in the honey,
- Gently fold in the sifted flour,
- Pour the mixture into the tin and cook in oven for approximately 40 to 50 mins depending on type of oven and how deep the mixture is in the tin.
- Take out and turn onto a wire tray to cool
- Top with your favourite fruit and enjoy!

VINDOLANDA CHARITABLE TRUST



Hima's Roman Honey Cake.

Faith That Does Justice



SMH Virtual Rudiments 2020 Fair

The annual Ruds Fair at the SMH Summer Parents' Weekend is a highlight for both parents and pupils providing a lovely final event for Ruds, however as pupils are unable to be in school together, this year the fair went virtual.

The fair usually provides a platform for us to fundraise for our chosen charities and to make sure this is still possible this year, our Rudiments pupils have taken on a number of challenges to raise money for this year's chosen charities: The Xavier Project and Children for Children. Pupils have not shied away from the various fundraising events, including bike rides, a skills marathon, a cricket challenge and windsurfing (to name but a few!).

Well done to all those who took part. You can still donate to help our two chosen charities by clicking [here](#).



Faith That Does Justice

Laudato si



A Rainy Day Walk



Photos by Calam McLennan

The Chaplaincy Reflects on the Past Term

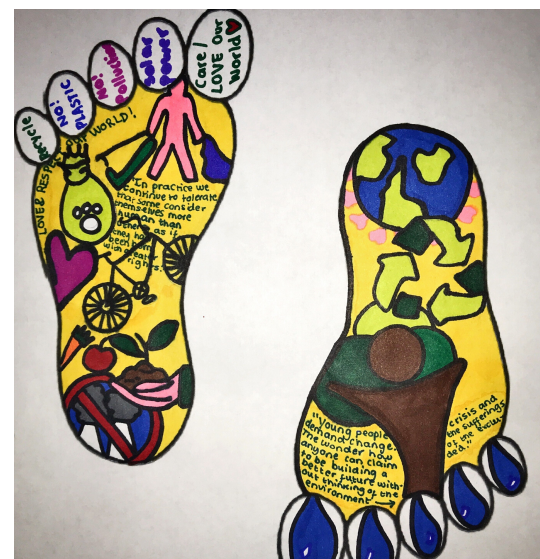
Our Chaplaincy would like to extend a huge thank you to all pupils who have kept the spirit of our Jesuit Mission going throughout lockdown. It has been a truly whole-school contribution, with pupils reading in virtual liturgies, writing and recoding their own prayers and reflections, taking part in our Laudato Si week in a variety of ways and attending co-curriculars that have continued to focus on care for our Common Home and putting Faith into Action.

Congratulations also to all those who completed the Confirmation programme this term. We very much look forward to celebrating your receiving of this Sacrament once it is possible. Well done also to the Poets who have begun the formation programme to become Eucharistic Ministers at the College next term.

Special recognition must be given to our Grammar pupils who have completed their silver Faith in Action award, despite the limitations of the lockdown, giving 20 hours of service in school through acts of worship and acts of charity and a further 15 hours of service outside school. It has been a tremendous achievement to gain this award during the global pandemic and we will celebrate this properly on our return to College.

The commitment, dedication and enthusiasm of all pupils who have taken part in Chaplaincy activities this term has been hugely inspiring and is testament to how strong the Jesuit spirit is in our Stonyhurst Family.

“Prayer to me is a way of communicating to God through your heart and soul.”



Perspectives & Horizons



MEN AND WOMEN FOR OTHERS

A Stellar Achievement for OS



It is not often that one has something named after them, let alone an asteroid, but Fr Chris Corbally SJ has recently received this honour.

Fr Chris, who attended Stonyhurst from 1954-1963, studied Astronomy at the University of Toronto and has since researched a variety of areas covering astronomical subjects including star systems and regional star formations. The asteroid in question, first discovered in 2001 by Roy Tucker, who was working with the Vatican astronomers, measures approximately a mile across in size and has been given the title: 119248 Corbally.

Well done Fr Chris, what a stellar achievement!

You can read more details on this subject in the Jesuits in Britain article, [here](#).

Looking Ahead

The Parents' Social Committee

The Parents' Social Committee, made up of current SMH and College parents, provides fundraising and event planning support for the Stonyhurst Development Office. As the UK entered lockdown and fundraising events were postponed, the Parents' Social Committee did not rest on its laurels, and set to work planning for the upcoming year.

Their dedication to the school and the pupils was not dampened by the unprecedented circumstances as they quickly set to work to produce leavers 'hoodies' and yearbooks for our Ruds pupils. The pupils received these items in a special drive through at SMH where the Social Committee and staff handed over each gift pack.

The Development Team and Social Committee met weekly to discuss and plan events for the upcoming academic year and we are looking forward to welcoming parents and members of the Stonyhurst family to our annual festive lunch, a MacMillan coffee morning and regular social walks along the Tolkein Trail. We will also be hosting Gin-making nights which will be provided by Damien (OS83) whose offer to help came through our online social platform, Stonyhurst Link, which you can find out more about, below.

Be sure to keep an eye on our social media accounts and Development website for more details on these upcoming events.

Stonyhurst Link Broadening Opportunities

Stonyhurst Link is our exclusive online platform for OS and the Stonyhurst Family.

On Stonyhurst Link you can reconnect with members of the Stonyhurst community, offer and find mentoring opportunities, hear all the latest news, find out about upcoming events, find possible job opportunities and reminisce about all things Stonyhurst!

This term we have built up our relationship with Damien (OS83) who has offered to host fundraising Gin-making nights for the Stonyhurst family, we have organised virtual reunions via Zoom and welcomed our 1000th member!

You can register [here](#) and can download the Stonyhurst Link app via the below links.

Apple users can download the app [here](#).

Android users can download the app [here](#).



Upcoming Engagements and Save the Dates

The Development Office look forward to the events we plan as they provide us with the chance to meet, socialise and reminisce with members of the Stonyhurst family. With a number of events planned for the coming academic year, we wanted to highlight those coming up in the Christmas term.

The Thomas Weld Society Lunch - 3rd October 2020

The Thomas Weld Society is dedicated to our legacy donors, that is to say donors who have left us a donation in their Will.

On the 3rd October, we will be welcoming the members of The Thomas Weld Society back to the College for our annual event. The members join us for a Service of thanks by our Chaplain Fr Tim, before being welcomed into the Top Ref for a delicious lunch.



Afternoon Tea in London - 7th December 2020

It's hard to believe but the festive season will soon be upon us and with that comes our annual afternoon tea in London.

We are looking forward to welcoming those members of the Thomas Weld Society who are unable to attend our October event, as well as other members of the Stonyhurst family, to what is surely going to be a lovely afternoon of tea, cakes and frivolity, followed by the Farm Street Carols that evening.

AND THE WINNERS ARE...

The last two Interline Competitions saw our pupils and their families taking part with gusto in the hopes of taking the win for their Lines.

The second part to the 'Pub' Quiz put our teams general knowledge to the test, as they battled it out for the win. Well done to all those who took part!

Chitnis

Clews-Lamle

Cullens

Generations of Chitnis

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Millwards

The Clarkes

The Gibsons

The Wright Family

The Yeowarts

As pupils and their families laced up their running shoes to take on the 5k challenge, we waited with anticipation to see who would clock the fastest time. We were incredibly impressed by the dedication shown by members of the Stonyhurst family.

This year's Interline Competition has been like no other we have ever seen as the competition was taken into the virtual world. Many thanks must be given to Mr Hanley, Head of Playroom for Rhetoric and the Heads of each Line who worked tirelessly to organise fun, original and exciting challenges for our pupils and their families to get involved in.

Thanks also go to all our pupils and their families for their continuous dedication to the Interline Competition, taking part in the numerous tasks set, in order to better their Line's chance of winning.

Congratulations to all the Lines, but we can finally announce the winner is... **WELD!**



Great Academies

Although our usual Great Academies weekend was unable to take place this year we wanted to ensure that this academic year, which has been like no other, finished appropriately. Therefore, we adapted this event and took it to the virtual world of Stonyhurst Anywhere.

On Tuesday the 30th June staff, pupils and their families tuned in to a day of celebrations, marking our pupils' achievements over the last year.

The day began with a message from our Headmaster, Mr Browne, in which he welcomed us all, provided a break down of the day and paved the way for the wonderful videos ahead.

This was followed by the Playroom Prize Giving which took place live via Microsoft Teams and saw our pupils receiving their well deserved prizes.

Families were welcomed to join Cardinal Fitzgerald for our Great Academies Mass. Although performed from an empty St Peter's Church, with the usual hymns and Cardinal Fitzgerald's moving sermon, the mass provided the powerful messages it always does.

Staff, pupils and families would normally make their way to the Ambulacrum following this, for our annual speeches and announcement of the Interline Cup Winners, this year everyone moved from one YouTube video to another to listen to the Headmaster's speech and the Heads of Line's farewell speeches. These captured Stonyhurst so perfectly and we are sure there were many tears shed by all who listened. It was then time to announce the Interline competition winners... WELD! Well done to the whole of Weld Line!

As the day moved ahead, families were able to enjoy at their leisure a variety of videos including musical performances, drama performances and readings, in which our pupils showed off their amazing talent. This was followed by a video introducing our 2020/2021 Committee, which will be our Centenary Committee, as this year we celebrate 100 years since the first Committee was founded at Stonyhurst.



The day was slowly drawing to a close, but not before our Stonyhurst Association President addressed our leavers and explained the role of the Association in more detail. The day ended with Fr Damien interviewing Cardinal Fitzgerald about his remarkable life.

If you missed Great Academies or would like to re-watch any of these videos you can find the recorded videos [here](#).

To our Rhetoric leavers, we wish you the best of luck in your future endeavours as you make your way into the world and continue to give 'as much as you can' in life and to be 'Men and Women for Others'.



St Mary's Hall Prize Giving

On Tuesday 30th June, St Mary's Hall held a celebration and prize giving event to mark the end of year and to say a fond farewell to our Rudiments leavers.

The day began with a wonderful reflection of the year through photographs with those memories in mind; pupils and families were then addressed by Headmaster, Mr Murphy, before all year groups were awarded their well earned prizes.

Following this, families were invited to enjoy our virtual art exhibition, where our pupils artistic talents shone bright, before our prize giving guest and former pupil Mary Flanagan (OS 14) gave an inspiring speech to all.

This year has been so different for us all and although we couldn't bid our Ruds pupils the farewell we had planned and hoped for, we wanted to make sure they had a farewell to remember and Mr Murphy gave a moving goodbye message in his fond farewell video.

After this emotional message, families were encouraged to join us to celebrate the sporting achievements of our Figures and Rudiments pupils before virtually attending the Line Competition Assembly.

The day drew to a close with the final Mass of the year, which rounded the day off and provided a lovely finishing touch to what was a truly great day. If you missed any of the above or would like to re-watch any of the videos, they can be found on our YouTube channel, [here](#).

As the term ended for the pupils at SMH, our Ruds pupils were invited to join in one last farewell extravaganza. That evening many of our Ruds pupils arrived at school to collect their leavers' 'hoodies' and yearbooks, kindly organised by our Parents' Social Committee. As parents formed a convoy to drive past SMH one last time this academic year, staff handed over the leavers' gifts and waved our pupils off into the Summer holidays. Many thanks to Vanessa Fry for these photos, which capture the joyous event.

Vanessa Fry Photography (www.vanessafry.com)

We were so pleased we could offer this special day to all our pupils and this extra special, if slightly unusual, farewell and good luck to our Rudiments pupils.



END OF YEAR CELEBRATION
& PRIZE GIVING
PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Tuesday 30th June 2020





Object of the Week

'Love on a Lion', Mid to late 17th Century

It seems suitable to end the Objects for this academic year with something cheerful.

This little image of Cupid sitting on a slightly bemused-looking lion measures 18 x 25 cms and is made from a mixture of techniques, including the Italian art of 'pietra dura'.

Cupid is well known to us as the Roman god of love and is usually shown as a chubby mischievous winged boy with a bow and arrow. The arrows shot by Cupid provoked instant love in the heart of the victims, with sometimes complicated results. This version of Cupid



shows him subduing a lion with the beauty of music, demonstrating the power of love over strength and ferocity. The figures of Cupid and the Lion are high quality and represent the work of a very skilled artist. The famous Bohemian engraver, Wenzel Hollar, produced a print in 1652 of the same subject which was based on an original by the Renaissance artist Giulio Romano. Our Cupid and Lion probably date from the mid to late 17th century and are inspired by Romano and Hollar.

'Pietra dura' is an intricate art form, in which the artist takes a variety of coloured marbles, precious and semi-precious stones, and cuts them into shapes which fit tightly and seamlessly to create images or geometric patterns. It was popular in Rome and Italy from the 16th to the 19th centuries, and many examples were brought back to Britain by rich travellers undertaking the Grand Tour.

This piece was probably acquired in Rome by Fr Glover SJ, the English Jesuit Agent there, who handled all the financial dealings of the Province in Rome from 1825 until his death in 1849. Thomas Glover attended Stonyhurst from 1800 to 1803, before joining the Jesuit Order. He was born at Walton Hall, the home of Charles Waterton, and his body is buried alongside that of Charles in the Waterton family vault.

Thomas Glover had a keen eye for high quality artworks; he was responsible for rescuing the Stuart paintings from an empty villa in Rome and transporting them to the College where they now hang in the Stuart Parlour. His numerous, chatty and often highly entertaining, letters are kept in the College and Province Archives. He is known as the Founder of the College's Art Collection and donated 157 paintings to the College. His stated intention was to provide art of sufficient quality to adorn the walls of a mansion, and of suitable subject matter to provide spiritual and artistic inspiration for the pupils and staff of Stonyhurst.

Love on a Lion might not exactly fit in with the spiritual theme of the majority of Stonyhurst's fine art collection, but it may well have appealed to Glover's mischievous sense of humour.



Print detail Hollar's etching of Cupid on a Lion, 1652.
From the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York.

A Term Like No Other

The year 2020 has been one like no other and similarly this term has not been like any we have seen at Stonyhurst.

As we entered lockdown the Stonyhurst staff rallied to finalise the details for virtual learning and soon Stonyhurst Anywhere was born, allowing us to provide a Stonyhurst education to our pupils, wherever they were based.

The next few pages look at just some of the amazing achievements to have come out of the last few months, including the example of 'Men and Women for Others' set by so many members of the Stonyhurst family. In addition, we will reflect on the projects organised for our two anniversaries; 20 Years of Full Co-education and 225 Years of being based in Lancashire.



The 1000 gloves, 800 aprons and 80 masks donated to the Royal Blackburn Hospital by Mr O'Malley (Domestic Bursar) on behalf of the Domestic Department.



Mr Heaven, one of our DT teachers, sporting one of the masks he made for the NHS



Olivia, a staff member's daughter, delivering prescriptions to vulnerable people in the local area.



The Stonyhurst Front lit up blue in Support of the NHS.



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The 18 boxes of disposable gloves and packs of paper towels donated by our Science Faculty to the Royal Blackburn Hospital.



The 55 pairs of goggles and 80 pairs of safety glasses donated by our Science Faculty to the Royal Blackburn Hospital.



A selection of the 100 masks made by Mr Heaven for the NHS.

20 Years of Full Co-education

This academic year, Stonyhurst and Stonyhurst St Mary's Hall celebrated 20 years of full co-education.

Although Stonyhurst has been educating female pupils for some 50 years, it was only 20 years ago, in September 1999, that Stonyhurst opened its doors and admitted girls of all ages on the same terms as boys. This was an important anniversary and therefore to mark the occasion we sought to bring the Stonyhurst family together to join in all things '20 Years of Full Co-education'.

Commemorative Brochure

The year began with the production of a commemorative brochure, providing an insight into the past 20 years of full co-education and our upcoming plans. You can read the brochure by clicking [here](#).



Commemorative Lapel Pin

A year such as this deserves lasting mementos and therefore shortly after the commemorative brochure was produced, a specially designed lapel pin was given to all staff and pupils at the St Omers' Martyrs Mass in February.



Dedicated Celebratory Features

Celebrating an anniversary involves including the wider community and to highlight our 20 Years of Full Co-education we added a temporary logo to our minibuses, so that wherever they went this special celebration was visible.

In addition, a dedicated web page was created on our school website with details on this anniversary and our ambassadors project.

You can view this dedicated web page [here](#).



Sisters' Walk

As Spring began to unfurl and we looked towards the Summer Term, plans were underway for a celebratory event at which we would rename the walk parallel to 'Brothers' Walk', known to all as 'Sports Hall Walk' to 'Sisters' Walk'. Perhaps one of the most significant landmarks, in all our pupils' minds is 'Brothers' Walk', which although simple, is an important feature that links the College to St Mary's Hall. Many pupils, past and present have walked, and continue to walk along it, to lessons, Games and to take that leap from the Prep School to the College.

Our aim is to provide a similarly significant path way in 'Sisters' Walk' which, like 'Brothers' Walk' connects St Mary's Hall to the College. The renaming will be a lasting reminder of our 20th Anniversary of Full Co-education. We are looking forward to seeing the generations of St Mary's Hall and Stonyhurst College pupils walking down this path numerous times during their school career, as they progress to all that they can be.

Although plans for this event were put on hold due to the unprecedented circumstances, we are pleased to announce that plans are back up and running and the event will take place early in the 2020/2021 academic year.



Anniversary Ambassadors

Perhaps our biggest project of the year was the 'Anniversary Ambassadors' initiative that was set up to enhance the links between our female OS and our current pupils. This new and exciting venture began in the Summer of 2019, when we contacted and asked a number of female OS to take on a mentoring role, offering career or university guidance in their respective fields, providing work experience placements and visiting the College to give talks in person or via videoconferencing.

Over the year, Stonyhurst welcomed back alumnae of Stonyhurst St Mary's Hall and Stonyhurst College to speak to our current pupils about their time and experiences here and what they have achieved since leaving the College.

In November 2019, we had the pleasure of welcoming back two of our ambassadors, Alison (OS 12) and Dr Ravell (OS 06). Alison, who graduated with a first from Edinburgh in English and Scottish Literature and now works in publishing in London, spoke to Poetry and Grammar English classes about her experiences at Stonyhurst and further afield and provided workshops on the editing process in the publishing world.

Ravell has a doctorate in Chemistry from Jerusalem University and is a Chief Inspector of Police: Forensic Identification Division in Israel. She gave an assembly address to Higher Line pupils and Lower Line academic scholars in the Top Ref on a Saturday morning, following this with a lecture on her work to Higher Line scientists in Period 2.

After their talks our two ambassadors were interviewed by current pupils about their time at Stonyhurst, their views on co-education and what being a '20 Years Ambassador' means to them.

Although visits from our other ambassadors had to be postponed, we are looking forward to welcoming them back as soon as possible.

Our ambassadors' photographs hang proudly in the Do Room at the College, representing the past 20 years of full co-education and acting as an inspiration for our current and future pupils.

In addition, special 'Anniversary Ambassadors' booklets were created and available for staff, pupils and visitors to the College to collect.

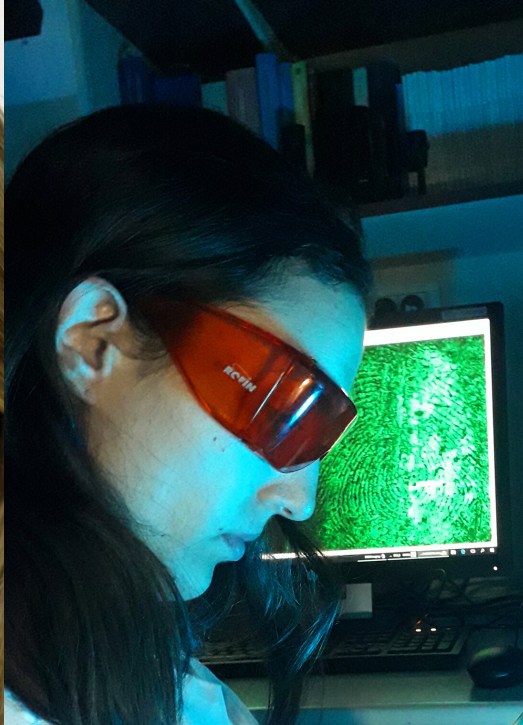
To find out more about our ambassadors, shown below, and to read their biographies visit their dedicated web page, [here](#).





TERESA (OS 02)

'The motto AMDG was lived throughout the College and I believe the mixture of academic, spiritual and social life in Stonyhurst is its greatest strength.'



RAVELL (OS 06)

'I can truly say that the motto of Stonyhurst – "Men and Women for others" was never just words to me, but an inspiration for life.'



LUCY (OS 09)

'The strength I have today as a woman in the world stems from the strong men and women who went before me, who taught me to give without counting the cost and to remain humble. I have the confidence and pliancy to live in a different country, doing a job I love where everyday I give 'as much as I can'.'



REBECCA (OS 10)

'Having strong female teachers as role models, several supportive staff encouraged me to enjoy mathematics and physics, and directed me towards becoming an engineer.'



HANNAH (OS 11)

'I continue to try to help other people in any way I can and as much as I can.'



ALISON (OS 12)

'It's a sense of place, history and community that never really leaves you, and I am incredibly grateful that Stonyhurst turning co-ed 20 years ago made it possible for me to experience such a one-off place as the College.'



ASMITA (OS 12)

'Stonyhurst is so much more than a school to me, it has become my moral compass. The School's motto is fittingly "Quant Je Puis" ("As much as I can") and, if you live by this, this is where the true magic of Stonyhurst happens.'



LARA (OS 12)

'I am glad that Stonyhurst encourages and supports young women when it comes to the choice of their profession and their individual future. I am happy to be able to refer again and again to the principles I learned in Stonyhurst: tradition, kindness and gratitude'



LAURA (OS 12)

'I count myself extremely fortunate to have benefited from a Stonyhurst education which has given me a wealth of opportunities, supported me with excellent facilities and staff members, and most importantly, a mentor for life.'



BEATTY (OS 15)

'The friends I made over my ten years at Stonyhurst St Mary's Hall and Stonyhurst remain my closest friends to this day.'



GENEVIEVE (OS 16)

'I immediately made great friends, who have turned out to be friends for life.'

'Stonyhurst's 225 Artist in Residence'

The 2019/20 Academic Year brought with it our 225th Anniversary year of being based in Lancashire and we wanted to make sure we marked the year in a memorable way. It soon became clear that one of the best ways to commemorate this year was to memorialise the school and its location in painted form for the Stonyhurst community to buy and hang in pride of place in their homes.

The choice of artist was not hard, who better to truly capture the uniqueness of Stonyhurst life than Peter Brown, an impressionist painter, known popularly as “Pete the Street” who paints street scenes and city landscapes. He is president of the New English Art Club, an honorary member of the Royal Society of British Artists, a member of the Royal Society of Portrait Painters, the Royal Institute of Oil Painters, the Pastel Society and the Bath Society of Artists. If those accolades were not enough, Peter has recently been the solo exhibitor at Messums, London with his exhibition “East Anglia” and came highly recommended from Prior Park having completed a similar acclaimed commission as their Artist in Residence during 2018.



We were therefore delighted to announce Peter Brown as our ‘Stonyhurst 225 Artist in Residence’ and welcome him to his muse for the next few months. Whilst at Stonyhurst, Peter was based across the College and St Mary’s Hall accessing the buildings and grounds to draw inspiration from the estate and Stonyhurst life for his work. One would often see him painting away outside come rain, shine and even heavy fog before venturing inside to find some much needed warmth and to capture the buzz of day-to-day life at the school.

During his residency Pete produced brilliant painting after brilliant painting, painting scenes familiar to the whole Stonyhurst family, from the boys returning from rugby and the sheep grazing in the field to the well-known beauty of the College (Boys’) Chapel and the Square Library. With each new painting shared on social media, the Stonyhurst Community became more enticed and enthusiasm for buying the finished products began to grow.

As we continued to showcase the paintings produced and their exhibition, to be held over the Great Academies weekend, the COVID circumstances around the world were quickly changing. Come March the UK went into lockdown and our exhibition was swiftly adapted from a physical exhibition to an online one, via a dedicated page on our Stonyhurst Development website and went live on the 22nd April. Within twenty-four hours, two thirds of the paintings were sold as staff, parents, OS and members of the wider Stonyhurst community leapt at the chance to have a unique piece of Stonyhurst in their homes. Many parents chose and bought specific paintings for their children, a permanent memento for this special year.

As the paintings sale successfully continued, plans were underway to produce one hundred limited edition prints of the ‘Sunrise, Stonyhurst’ painting. The sale for the prints saw phenomenal uptake and within hours ninety prints had been sold and by the Monday morning, all had snapped up. The positive comments and numerous enquiries into the sale of these prints has paved the way for more, of a different image, to be produced in the coming year. Be sure to keep an eye on our website and social media for updates on these.

There is no question, that our ‘225 Artist in Residence’ project was a resounding success. 50% of the net proceeds have gone to the Stonyhurst Foundation, an independent charitable trust dedicated to raising bursary and fee assistance funds for Stonyhurst and St Mary’s Hall.



A Big Thank You

Benjamin Franklin once said 'Change is the only constant in life. One's ability to adapt to those changes will determine your success in life' and when 2020 loomed no one could predict the changes that would be thrust upon us and how we would need to adapt to deal with them.

However, due to the dedication and hard work of the College and St Mary's Hall staff, Stonyhurst Anywhere was born and has been a resounding success.

Thank yous go out to the staff for working tirelessly to provide a Stonyhurst education to our pupils, wherever they may be, but we also extend our grateful thanks to you the parents and pupils, whose positivity and support for this project have helped to make it the success it has become.



“ I think Stonyhurst Anywhere is fantastic and is clearly the result of significant investment and planning. Communication has been great, and provision across the board has been impressive. Both of our children have been fully engaged and occupied, with zero requirement for intervention or 'home-school' support from a parental stand-point. Maintaining playroom meetings, tutor groups and assemblies is a real bonus which provide informal interaction, and help to preserve the timetable, routine and formality, which will definitely pay dividends when things return to normal. In discussion with friends and colleagues, I am not aware of any comparable provision. Really well done to everyone involved in creating and running Stonyhurst Anywhere! ”

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#StonyhurstAnywhere



“ An outstanding educational provision has been developed in all areas in a short space of time. Stonyhurst is to be applauded for this. Our daughter is very well supported, both academically and pastorally and she is extremely happy. She reports that teachers respond instantly to any queries and describes them as 'amazing'. We couldn't be happier, particularly given the exceptional circumstances. ”

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“ This amazing programme has given our son an opportunity to develop independent learning skills. Thank you! ”

“ Reaching out with so much care, compassion, the feeling that we are together as a family and as a family, we will see things through together. ”

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“ You have found the perfect balance between focused teaching and free time for students to follow their own interests and spend time with family. The support from school is wonderful. Our son is enjoying his lessons and is motivated to do all his studies with very little input from us, his parents. We are impressed, grateful and delighted! Thank you. ”

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On behalf of all the staff at Stonyhurst and St Mary's Hall we wish you and your families a happy and healthy summer holiday!

