

# CLASS OF 2020



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL DHAKA

## MISSION

We are building a community of responsible and compassionate life-long learners who are committed to a sustainable future.

## Our Values

We value the concepts of:

Holistic Wellbeing  
Sustainability  
Responsibility  
Compassion  
International mindedness

## Our Objectives

### **The ISD learning environment nurtures holistic well-being:**

Where systems, processes and practices are sustainable  
That meets the needs of a variety of learners  
That is physically and intellectually stimulating

### **At ISD there is a high quality inclusive education:**

That fosters the characteristics and attributes described in the IB learner profile  
That empowers learners to co-construct what they know, understand and can do  
That nurtures creativity and individuality  
Where the curriculum is transferrable  
That develops effective teams and leaders  
That meets or exceeds the IB Standards and Practices for the PYP, MYP and DP  
That allows all students to access the curriculum, be challenged and reach their potential

### **ISD challenges our community to be responsible and internationally-minded learners:**

Who embrace cultural diversity and develop intercultural understanding  
Who foster compassion and empathy for each other and the world  
Who are responsible and engaged global citizens  
Who develop clear communication skills within a multilingual environment

### **At ISD learning is enriched by interactions and partnerships with our community:**

Through effective home-school relationships  
Through the use of community resources to enhance learning experiences  
Through engagement in authentic service and action

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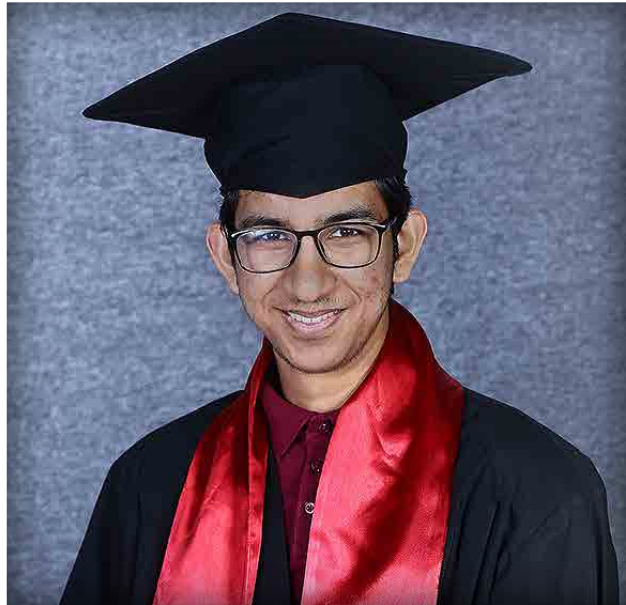
# Friends who became Family

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# ADIB MD ALIM CHOWDHURY



“ Yeah your eyes are fine. My name is Adib not Abid or Adeeb. Surprising I know. ”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Gangs, Games, GOTE



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Chiang Mai, Borneo and Tioman



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Pulling up to the 10 year reunion in my Lambo.

# AFRAZ CHAUDHURY

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Dysfunctional, Entertainment,  
Family.



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Leaving.



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Next Prime Minster of  
Bangladesh!



“ Joy Bangla, Joy Bongobondhu! ”

# AMEERA KHAN



“ It's not Mona Lisa wearing a grad cap and gown. ”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

GLAD IT'S OVER.



Most memorable moments at ISD:

I really enjoyed the ISTA trips.



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Honestly, I have no clue. I can't even envision myself tomorrow, let alone in 10 years. I just hope I am happy with the way things turn out.



# ARNAB KAPURIA

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Memorable, Legendary, Family



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

∞ moments.



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Don't wanna Jinx it!



“ Do or do not, There is not try  
- Yoda ”

# AUDHORA KHALID



“*Recently released from a 15 year sentence*”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

It was great.



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Being promoted to sailfish. 👍🐟



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

Hopefully, be financially stable, but with the coronavirus, 10 years seems kinda lucky.

# AYESHA FARZIN

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Lots of crying...



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Tioman. Unforgettable.



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

With the one I love, doing  
what I love. Maybe we'll find  
it out in 10 years.



“ I didn't know these captions were  
due today. But at least I turned  
THIS one in on time.. ”

# CHOWDHURY FAHIM BIPOB



“*Football got me through this*”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

**Football, Procrastination & Unforgettable**



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

**Every single football tournament**



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

**Watching myself on TV**

# F S M TABIA

Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Trust, Love & Support.

Most memorable moments at ISD:

Students doing the flashlight wave to me singing "The Climb" during the assembly and the service trip to Gazipur

Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Crying in my bathroom because we didn't have a proper graduation



“ Always remember, "When words fail, Music speaks" ”

# FABIHA SADDAT



“ Everyone has that friend whose laugh is funnier than the joke - I am that friend ”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

Unforgettable, funny, tedious

**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Every time I was dying laughing with Salsabil and Tarisha and we kept adding things which made it funnier and we could barely breathe and hearing the sound of each other's laughs made it even better which made our stomachs start to hurt. And this continued for like 30 minutes because none of us stopped laughing.



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

Enjoying whatever career I choose to pursue, staying true to myself and laughing at my own jokes!



# FARDEEN PATWARY

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

LOVE.HATE.MATURITY

Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Hitting the winning six in the  
ISD cricket tournament 2020

Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Gotta watch the news for that 😊



“ Sometimes what is wrong is right 😊😊 ”

# FARIZA TASNIM



“ *Don't be lazy, go workout* ”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

Was not fair



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Making fart noises with my palms in the middle of class, band rehearsals, and orange and a half trips with friendos



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

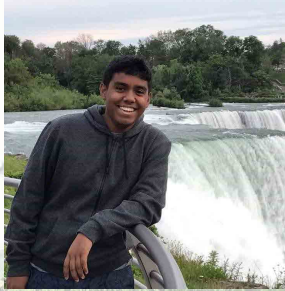
Hopefully earning a lot of money and happily married with no kids



# JAYENDRA ANDREW

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Exciting, Stressful, Worthwhile



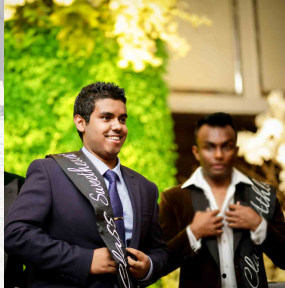
Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Trip to Tioman island.



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Starting my own business.



“My head may be big, my eyes may be small,  
but my heart is just the right size.”  
– Alan Nguyen

# KAUSHIK SARKER



“*Wow! I'm glad that's over!*”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

Boring, fun, & annoying



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Week Without Walls



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

We shall find out

# KHANDOKAR ZABIR

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Hawks for Life



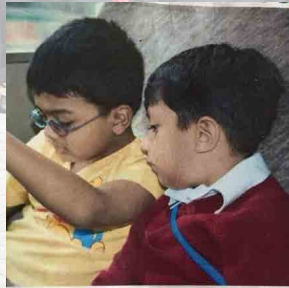
Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

There's no way I can pick one  
memory from my 16 years at  
this school



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Still bumping Young Thug



“ You gotta be the pride of something ”

# KIMIA KISMOT KONA



“*Nope. that's not coffee, that "jitter" is from my anxiety*”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

Up down down



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Handing the papers in for the last exam...oh wait



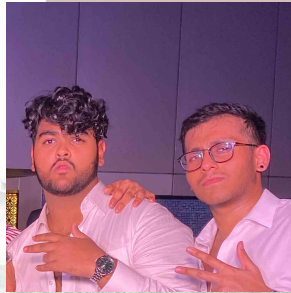
**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

Probably living with four cats, running my own company and occasionally crying in the bathroom

# LABIB MAHFUZ

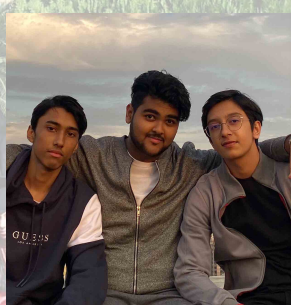
Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Fun, Meaningful, Challenging



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Week Without Walls in  
Tioman



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Successful Entrepreneur



“ We out 100 100 ”

# MASHRAFI BILLAH



“*Time to get lost in Sahara desert  
(physics class)*”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Challenges, Friendship,  
Hardwork



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Every WWW ever since I joined ISD in grade 8



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Either working as a marketing manager at a firm or having a career as an industrial designer

# MUNTAHA MAYAZ

Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Drama, Love, Hate



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Cake Cutting



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Feeding cows



“ When life gives you a hundred reasons to cry, show life you have a thousand reasons to smile ”

# MUSTAFA AMIR



“ *Whatever It Is, I Didn't Do It* ”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

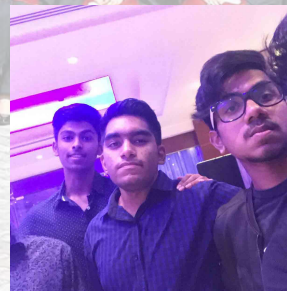
One big nightmare.

**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Grade 9, Grade 10 and basically every grade below 11 & 12

**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

Alone, old and broke; sitting somewhere on top of a mountain looking over a desolate and sad earth with a can of redbull in my hand while a nuke is falling through the sky.





# NADIM JOY

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Growth, Memorable, Surreal



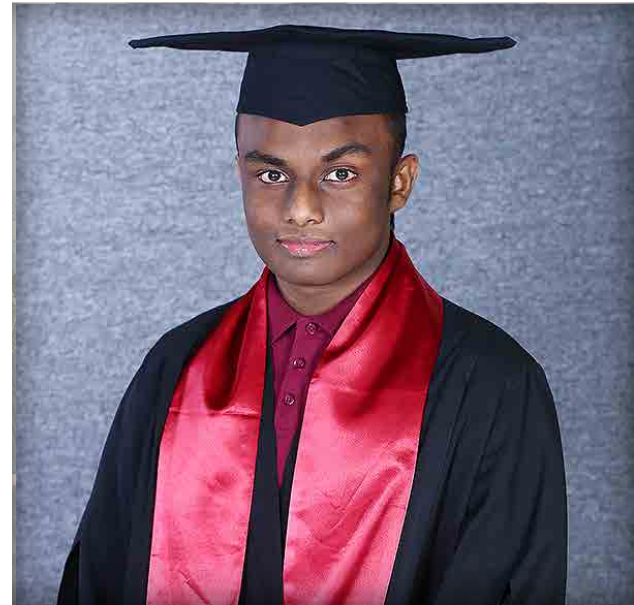
Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Athlete of the year awards  
and leaving



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

ISD P.E. department

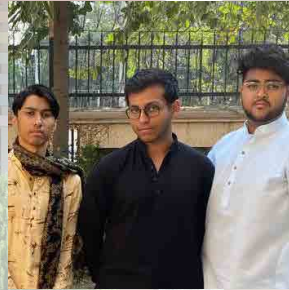


“ Living life with zero regrets ”

# NASIMUL RAHMAN



“  
*I wish there was a way to know  
you're in "the good old days"  
before you've actually left them.*  
”



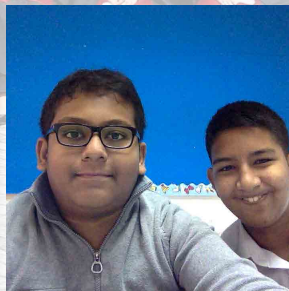
**Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:**

**Painful, Declining, Sad**



**Most memorable moments at  
ISD:**

**Grade 9 Art Class**



**Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?**

**Still waiting on Adib to give  
back the money he borrowed**

# RAFSAN HASSAN

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

"When's class over?"



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:  
All of them.



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Probably still trying to finish  
answering these questions



“ Can we maybe start over? ”

# RAIMA HAQUE PREMA



“ There are no secrets to success. ”  
It is the result of preparation, hard work,  
and learning from failure.  
– Colin Powell



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Interesting, exciting and memorable.



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Spending time with the orphan kids during the service days



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

I see myself traveling around the world, experiencing new cultures, and having a life filled with adventures. I also see myself being a successful business-woman as well as a creator of an NGO.

# RIFAT ISLAM

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Not. This. Again.



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Everything non-academic :D



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

I don't know where I see  
myself tomorrow, but in 10  
years I hope I'm travelling  
the world. Maybe settled  
somewhere remote and  
beautiful?



“ It is what it is. ”

# RUZLAN ISLAM



“ No IB exams? Sounds good ”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Lived memorable moments.



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Got too many to pick from



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Most likely at the National Parliament

# SAFWAN ISLAM

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Hardwork, Athletic, Thrilling



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

Tioman



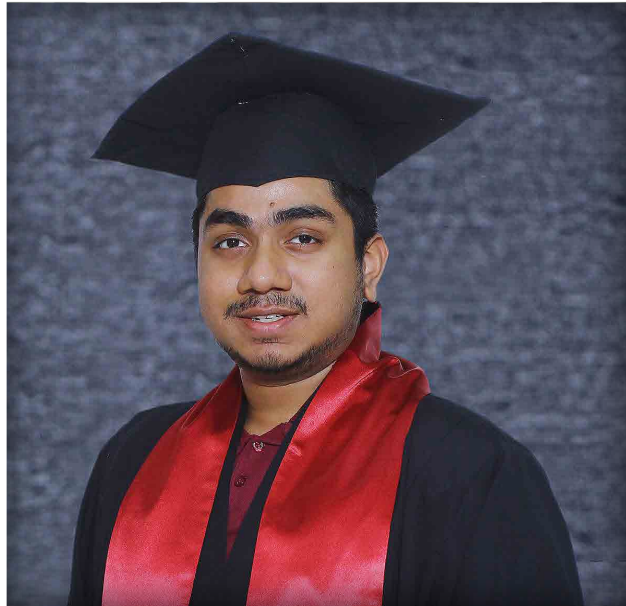
Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Taking over family business.



“ It's never too late to  
focus on your dreams ”

# SAIFUL ISLAM



“  
*Bruh, we graduated just to  
go to school again.*  
”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

Exhausting, enigmatic & monotonous



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Sleepover



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

I see myself being a CEO, being more accountable and being friends with Ye.



# SALSABIL FAIRUZ SALEK

**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

International School Dhaka



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

Performing a piano piece on the last day of school ceremony (grade 11) and my whole 7th (or maybe 8) grade class getting locked in the science room and that time me and my friends climbed that tree with our graduation robes.



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

Graduating university and working at firm in Canada if everything goes according to the plan



**“** *Keep your face always toward the sunshine and shadows will fall behind you.*  
- Walt Whitman **”**

# SHAMA RAHMAN



“ If the school gave awards for being quiet, I'd get all of them ”



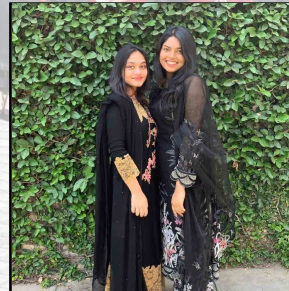
**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

So much work



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

The entire Tioman trip



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

Hopefully making plans for the future

# SHANZEH ASAF RAHMAN

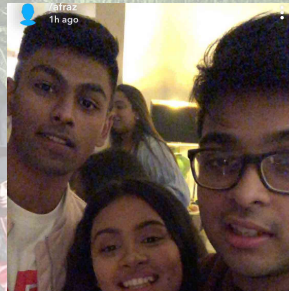
Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Wild unforgettable ride



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Everyone knows i'm too indecisive to pick one



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

ballin'



“ good vibes | good times | good life ”

# SHAZIA Z. ALAMGIR



“ Don't follow your dreams, follow my insta @shaziazaheen ”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

should have left



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Every second of Tioman, without a doubt.



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Still partying about M20 IB exams getting cancelled.

# SHEIKH FARIHA ABDULLAH

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Madness, Gossip & Ambition



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

All the rainy days in ISD



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

A medical practitioner known  
for her charity work  
In 'Shah'Allah



“ Use every corner of the campus to your  
fullest potential ”

# SUBAITA MAHBOOB



“ *Life is beautiful so keep smiling* ”



**Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:**

**Memorable, Fun, Amazing**



**Most memorable moments at ISD:**

**Staying with Raima and doing fun activities with her.**



**Where do you see yourself in 10 years?**

**I see myself running my own business of fashion designing.**

# TAHSIN NOOR

Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

What? how? why?



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Grade 11 sleepover



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Far from ISD.



“ 2020 will be my year!” COVID-19 smirked, quarantine laughed, and I almost forgot I study in ISD ”

# TARISHA FAIROOZ SARKER



“  
*I understand nothing.*  
— Michael Scott  
”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Glad it's over.



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Whenever Fabiha and Salsabil made me laugh.



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

Happy, no matter where I end up.



# TOUHID RIFAT

Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Chaotic, disturbing,  
unforgettable.



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

When I was the only boy who  
got high honours in grade 10.  
I was genially surprised!



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

faR fAr Far AWAYYY from ISD



“ *The NIGHT is DARK just  
before the DAWN* ”

# WASI REHMAN BUKUNO



“ *You only live once* ”



Describe your ISD experience in 3 words:

Best/Worst Memories Ever



Most memorable moments at ISD:

Winning the Football Tournament



Where do you see yourself in 10 years?

I see myself as an Environmentalist

# ZARAH RAHMAN

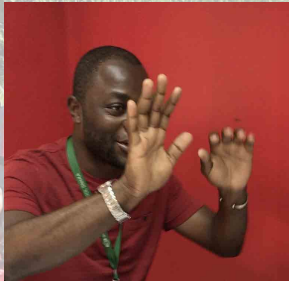
Describe your ISD experience in  
3 words:

Let's ask Google



Most memorable moments at  
ISD:

The days I didn't come



Where do you see yourself in  
10 years?

Hopefully in front of a cake  
that says 27.



“ Don't take life too seriously, you  
won't get out of it alive. ”



## Theodore J Coburn Director

I love the informality of running into each of you and the warmth and good cheer with which I feel greeted.

You conclude your years of study in the most inauspicious of times, and still remains the hope and promise of a united world. My wish for you is that mind and heart, kindness and love, guide you in the direction of your dreams.

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## Ildiko Murray Head of Secondary

Your Senior Prom will go down in history as the last "normal" event that we had at ISD during the 2019-2020 academic year. I hope you will always remember all of us together having a fabulous time before the world changed.

As you embark on your new adventures, please take this blessing with you:  
I hope your dreams take you to the corners of your smiles, to the highest of your hopes, to the window of your opportunities, and to the most special places your heart has ever known.

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## John Drury Diploma Program Coordinator

My favourite memory of the Class of 2020 would have to be the service trip we took to Utsho! I had fun watching you guys interact with and support each other, while completing a meaningful, challenging service experience that I am confident will be lasting remembrance for all of us. I had the opportunity to see you all shine in ways I would not have within the confines of the school, and I came home beaming with pride!

I know we started the year with great plans that have gone completely awry thanks to Covid-19. This should in no way diminish the satisfaction you should feel in successfully completing your IB and ISD journey this year! I am immensely proud of all of your accomplishments and cannot wait to see what's in store for each of you in the coming years!

## Annabel L. Mabunay

### Head of Mathematics Department

\* Some of you were my homeroom students when I arrived at ISD. It took so long for me to memorize your names. Two weeks after you challenged me to name each one of you. I had a hard time memorizing because your faces in managebac were different from the actual.

You are a very special diverse group. Each one has its own strength to contribute. From your cohort, I can see future lawyers, musicians, statisticians, artists, actors, singers, engineers, doctors, and business people.

Continue to harness your craft. Enjoy learning basic skills as you venture your university life. Treat people with respect and do make a difference in this modern world. Fly my dear seniors...I believed we have equipped you with wings to soar high and to follow your dreams.



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## Mosharof Hossain

### Math Teacher

Congratulations Class of 2020. You people were so cooperative that's why it was possible for me to teach such a big class in grade 11. I am really happy to get so obedient students like you. Stay safe and healthy until we meet again.

Go with confidence and courage in the direction of your goals. Remember there is something inside you which is good enough to face any sort of situation and to achieve your dreams. All the best.



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## Rebecca Polak

### Head of Individuals & Societies Department

I have many great memories of the class of 2020, but one of my favorites was singing along to Mr. Crossley's Central America geography song during our Revolutions unit (<https://youtu.be/Ww2iYWbfHPg>). Mas Rapido!

I wish I had a magic wand. I would change so much for you. You will get through this and be stronger for it, you will make many wonderful memories, and you will forever be one of my favorite cohorts I have ever taught.



## Mee-Hee Scorgie Head of English Department



Oddly, the bitter-sweet memory of chasing written tasks may be one of my favourites. I hunted the Class of 2020 into their supervised study and sat beside them as they re-formatted, rewrote, and recounted their work. Then when it was done, we both would sigh, laugh, and say "I'm glad that's over".

Class of 2020, you cheeky, endearing, smiling group of individuals. I hope you look back fondly on your time in English, your time at ISD, and your time together - I will. Stay safe, be clever, and be happy.

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## Hugh Stevenson Music Teacher



My favourite memories of the class of 2020 is back in G9 Music, where a big group of them elected the subject. They were a talented and friendly bunch. Some excellent creations in the film project and 'Rock Trap' performance. And they really encouraged me with my cooking skills.

As tertiary study and career moves are on the horizon, I wish everybody well. Follow your passions and work hard to realise those dreams. It will be a pleasure to follow your progress.

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## Sara Lofstrom College Counselor



I will always remember the young women and men of the Class of 2020 for their smart minds and kind hearts. So many different personalities and talents! Their hard work on their college applications paid off and they were offered admission to many great schools around the world.

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## Tasnuva Ahmed Assistant College Counselor



Congratulations ! Sending you warm wishes as you head off on your next adventure. Focus on being a better you not a better them ... it helps. Of course you will be missed. Rock the world "Class of 2020"

## Naila Ahmed Secondary Secretary

Class of 2020 My hearty congratulations to you all on the occasion of your passing out ceremony. It is, indeed, an occasion to be proud and to look forward with zeal and courage as you go ahead to the future steps where you will meet many challenges and I have confidence that you will meet them with fortitude and perseverance. The future that you are going to face will be glorious which will depend on your hard work in attending to your classes and good behavior with your classmates. May God bless you in your future endeavors.



## Leena Sharmeen Kabir Bengali Teacher

The most memorable time that we enjoyed together when we made all those Masks for the Bangla assembly in the auditorium, where you had a rally in celebrating the Bengali new year and sang the song Melay Jaire remember!!!

Congratulations class of 2020! You have made us proud. This part of your life ends here but the real journey is about to begin...Hold your head high up and keep your will strong!! Give life your very best such that when you look back you have no regrets, I have immense faith in you...Good luck and all the best wishes!!!!



## Cleotilde Gomez Sierra Spanish Teacher

My favorite memory with the Class of 2020 was Singing a Shakira's song with Spanish students

Congratulations to all of you on your graduation and best wishes for your next adventure!



## Eve Fresnel Head of Language Acquisition

I have a lot of good memories with this dynamic and challenging class of 2020. However, my best memory comes from the day we played Tic Tac Boum for the first time. Oh la la! I have seldom laughed so much in a classroom. I could see the surprised look of my colleagues passing by in the corridor as our classroom was becoming noisier and noisier with laughter. Thanks to this game, I could see that all the students without exception were enjoying speaking French at that very moment. So rewarding!

I wish you all the best in your future endeavours. Bonne chance à tous!



## Bridget Mutasa Visual Arts Teacher



My favorite memory with the class of 2020 was the Grade 11 Sleepover. I got to see your creative sides, organising, coming together as a year group, creating some unique games, singing, catering, caring for each other and generally seeing the fun side of you. You managed to incorporate everyone. No one was left out on that evening, which is a true testament to your leadership and empathy skills.

Congratulations class of 2020! During the most unprecedented time in our history as a people on earth, you did it, managed to cross the finishing line! You have been an amazing team, with great collaboration skills among you. Together you have accomplished many memorable achievements at ISD, leaving behind big shoes for future cohorts to fill. For that you should be proud of yourselves. As you all go off in your different directions remember that you have an amazing ability to work well with others, that will take you far in life. So take risks! Seize the day! Do not shy away from the challenges that are ahead if you. My parting words to you are from Ambrose Redmoon "Courage is not the absence of fear, but rather the judgement that something else more important than fear". Be brave. Be bold. Go big, or go home!

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## Muntaka Saima Syeda Science Teacher



My favourite memory with Class of 2020 is the sleepover when they were in Grade 11. We all sat around a bonfire talking and roasting marshmallows. Another memorable moment is coming to the senior lounge everyday to help them get to class on time. It might have been frustrating for them but it was a chance for me to see their loving faces and smile.

Every cohort has their strengths and your strength is unity. I hope that never changes.

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## Russell Frazier Individuals & Societies Teacher



Watching my History class get excited and spontaneously breakout into a Macarena dance party when I told them that they could use the last 15 minutes of class before Christmas to do whatever they want.

Life's short so enjoy it as much as possible. Don't take yourselves too seriously. Always be true to yourselves.



## Shailendrasinh Rathod

### Head of Science Department

Apart from many many memories during teaching this group from grade 8-12, I still remember the time of my life, I had with this group when I was part of their grade 10 Tioman trip. I got know them very closely and developed life-long relationships with each one of you. Remember, I have still kept many of your secret which no other teacher knows!!!

Class of 2020, I know you are passing through challenging times. But I am sure there always a way out. During these lockdown time, I was reading adventure stories of Ernest Shackleton and how he navigated uncertain times through hope, discipline, and determination. Be positive and keep your hopes going, I am sure all your dreams will be fulfilled.



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## Syeda Sultana Razia

### Head of Bengali Department

Dear graduates, from grade 6, I have seen you guys gradually grow into the wonderful people you are today. Through the years, I have seen you all develop into the lovely people you are. The wonderful memories we have shared, including all the MUNs we have been to. Wherever you all go, I hope you always remember your roots and where you've grown as a person.

Graduation is a little part of your life. There is still a long way to go, as I hope you all will achieve what you are aiming for in life. As Senator Orrin Hatch has said, "Graduation is not the end; it is the beginning."



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## Niranjan Bose

### Science Teacher

My favorite memory with the class of 2020 was when we were working on the group 4 project in Science in grade 11 and I found each and every student working very diligently. They worked with a complete collaboration and cooperation. Any assignment that I had given to this class was done meticulously and with complete dedication.

I would like each member of this class to accomplish what they strive for and I am sure that they will not leave any stone unturned on their part to achieve that.





## Stacy Ohrt-Billingslea

### Director of Performing & Visual Arts

One of my favorite memories was traveling with Ameera, Rafsan and Arindom to Singapore for an ISTA theatre festival! Awesome Theatre Festival, awesome shopping and incredible food!!

To the ISD Seniors of 2020.

We believe in your knowledge, resilience, passion and strength to preserve and make this world better for us all. It's been a privilege to be part of your history.

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## Joel Wilson

### Individuals & Societies Teacher

When the senior class was raising money through the pie-in-the-face fundraiser, I found myself sitting there, my face ready for a pie and jealous of all the attention given to Mr. Zakaria. Seeing movement to my left, I looked and saw Shanzeh coming right towards me with a Cheshire cat grin and a rather generous helping of pie. Drawing near, she says, "This is from all of us Mr. Joel. We love you." No sooner than the words were out of her mouth that all the jealousy for my colleagues disappeared.

I wish you all the best of luck in all your future endeavors. My only hope is that you take your desire to be good to each other to all those you meet in your future and remember to give back to those less fortunate than yourselves whenever you can.

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## Mariig Hamon

### Math Teacher

At the beginning of last year I had no scheduled Maths lessons. Then slowly, slowly one by one my class grew from 0-8 with a wonderfully committed and lively group who were extremely good and diverting my attention and getting me to tell them stories about all my exciting travels.

I was so ready for making you all 'pains au chocolat' and am really sad that it won't happen now. But hopefully on your life journey you will all get to go to Paris and experience authentic croissants for yourselves and when you do you can think of your crazy travelling French/French Canadian Maths Teacher. Bon Appétit. Follow Your Dreams.

## Linda Louise Palin

### Former English Teacher

Teaching poetry ' The Man from Snowy River' when they were in 7 and laughing about the weedy beast. I will always remember their bright happy faces - always so friendly, respectful and eager to learn and have fun.

Go to your wide futures and be the best person you can be. Make the world a better place. Always remember you warm friendships. You are special people.



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## Kimberly M. Pichardo

### Former Drama Teacher

Class of 2020 - There are too many gorgeous memories to list! I had you guys from 6th - 8th grades, and I miss your infectious fun and good humor. I loved having you guys in Drama class. My favorite memories include our Mime Unit in G7 and our Commedia dell'Arte unit in G8. I remember some of your awesome contributions to our Drama productions - 'The Love of Three Oranges', 'The Good Doctor', and 'Nothing Says I Love You Like Bad Poetry'. I remember your talent and willingness to creatively play in class. You definitely are one of my favorite, treasured cohorts from ISD! You are all amazing humans!

I hope each of you hold on to your kind, authentic dispositions and empathy for those around you. I hope you take some confidence and improved communication skills from your Drama classes and try to keep some creativity and dramatic flair in your lives! Always remember that wherever you are in the world, I am remembering you fondly and would love to hear about your future adventures in life - please keep in touch!



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## Andrew Parlby

### Former P.E. Director

My favourite memories were spending time with you during homeroom, when we got to work on so many different topics and ideas.

The fun and enjoyment that you all brought to those session, made it all worth it. I should also point out that I did not only work with one homeroom in that first year, so it was a whole grade level thing!

All grade levels are special. You are the people that make the grade special, your enthusiasm, your energy, your jokes, your games, your tears, your individual drives for excellence or to do your very best. Don't go changing who you all are! Stay true to yourselves always. You have excellent minds and you know the difference between right and wrong and you are prepared to stand up for what you believe to be the right thing. Remember that you are the future, to yourself and quite possibly to Bangladesh. Be proud. Be you!



## Lorenzo Corti

### Former Music Teacher



Tons of memories with this amazing group of students! I loved to see you challenged and shaking before a show, in front of whatever audience, children or adults, but you always showed so much talent and character! Our modern version of Anondoloke on Victory Day and the vibrant performances for Music Lab are just the tip of the iceberg!

You are wonderful persons, smart, brave, curious and talented. Together you created an incredible group filled with love and friendship, that made your path at ISD absolutely memorable, and finally, you reached the goal. You deserve to see your dreams come true!  
All the best!

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## Nicholas 'Mr. Red' Burnham

### Former Drama Teacher



I think doing the Jungle Book with Mr. Raaz and Rumali was a transformative experience. I miss all of my quirky animals, and I think there was a human in there too. Shout out to all my faithful and characterful drama class champions!

Bangladesh is an important country that needs to be represented well in the next few generations. You are some of the very few people with a big head start to make good things happen. Give yourselves reasons to be proud of the desh!

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## Natalie Stowell

### Former Spanish Teacher



While we have had tons of good times together, my favorite memories will always be our WWW trips to Nepal and Tioman! From your horrified expressions when you realized the bathroom situation while camping, to your shining grins after you snorkeled for the first time...I'm thrilled to have been able to witness both!

You all made me laugh so often over my 3 years at ISD, and I will forever remember you with a grin on my face because of it. Now get out in the world and Live Your Lives! Cuidense mucho cariños mios!  
--> Sra. Stowell

## Nusrat Sharmin

Former College Counselor

Class 2020, I have so many favorites memories-but the special one is during the poetry slam in your English literature class. Loved your enthusiasm, support for your peers and spot on participation. I enjoyed every second when you were reciting or singing or sharing your very own stories with us. Thanks for making me a part of this.

Class of 2020, a distinctive batch comprising of beautiful people both inside and outside. The special bond you have made with each other took a long time to build—hold it strong and be each other's strength. Remember, you are graduating with the most valuable asset of your life— the asset of having real friends! Keep it up.



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## Jacinta Parmeter

Former Drama Teacher

Way too many to list here but here goes: ALL their beautiful warm smiles. Seeing how high Ruzlan could jump during the sports carnival. Finding Sahir hiding in the smallest cupboard in the classroom and seeing him do up his shoe laces. Sharing fun and food at our end of year homeroom get together.

Tears swell when I think of how precious each of you are and how you must have grown up so much. Life with throw you many challenges and with each one you will rise and learn. Each one prepares you for the next and just when you think you're mastering life another one will be thrown your way. Self-care, rest when you need but never give up. Be altruistic. Be kind, be caring, be compassionate and understanding and keep spreading the love.



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## Greg Robinson

Former Humanities Teacher

Mehrab's email after our last day, Audhora saying "he introduced us to Aristotle", Afraz quoting me back about googlies off the stumps, a group of six boys staying in after the simulation to discuss

" A world become one, salads and sun, only a fool could say that." Steely Dan





## Tapasi Haque

### Former Bengali Teacher

There was always a healthy competition for academic accolades with other sections. The most aesthetically pleasing and noticeably decorated classrooms. Sharing personal and academic ideas, opinion, and secrets freely, without any boundaries.

I am honored to have been a mentor, friend and almost a second parent to the most vibrant and entertaining class by far. A teacher to an entire group who will undoubtedly shine bright not only in their respective professional fields, but also as decent human beings in life.

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## Ms. Farmer

### Former English Teacher

Getting the homerooms together and playing cricket in the classroom was a highlight, as was reading Matilda with you when you were in Grade 6. "Tis in my memory lock'd, And you yourself shall keep the key of it." Shakespeare

I wish you all the best of luck in your future endeavours. It was a great honour to have been a part of your ISD journey.

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## Ian Danger Pietras

### Former Humanities Teacher

Playing homeroom games with my very first class ever (6A) and taking them to Chiang Mai in Grade 7 (kayaking with Afraz).

Thanks for starting my teaching career off so well! I couldn't have asked for a better group of people to get to spend so much time with. Good luck as you go out into the world on your own. You are the writer and producer of your own epic movie. Make it awesome!

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## Jaci Banton

### Former Art Teacher

I have some really great memories from coaching middle school soccer with the girls and cheering you all on! You all improved so much and really worked together. It was also really fun to watch everyone joke around and fling dirt off the cliff while digging the community centre foundation in Nepal.

You are each such wonderful, creative people. I am so lucky to have taught you and I wish you the best beyond highschool. If you're ever facing a struggle, just think of the annoying mountain we climbed in Nepal and remember, there will be snacks at the top.





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