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# House Competition Latest—Swimming Gala News



The annual competition for the HOUSE CUP opened up this month after the excitement of the swimming gala, which took place on Monday 14th April in Brownlow pool. Antrim, Mourne and Sperrin houses battled it out with some excellent swimming. The competition was very close throughout but in the end <u>ANTRIM</u> clinched the swimming gala title, due to their superior skill and overall brilliance. Well done to those who took part and to all who won individual medals. Best overall year 8 pupils were Christopher Cribbon 8E and Emine McConnell 8L. In year 9 Conleth Moohan 9L and Lauren Finnegan 9L came top and in year 10 best swimmers were Ryan McClelland 10L and Shannon Jefferson 10E, with overall best boy going to Ryan McClellend and best girl to Lauren Finnegan. Mrs Quinn, Mourne House Mistress, reluctantly handed the Swimming Gala shield to Aimee McConville, Antrim vice-captain, at the end of the medal ceremony that afternoon. More photos of the event can be seen on Page 4. The final and biggest house competition, <u>SPORTS DAY</u>, will take place in June. As the title for 2014 is up for grabs by any of the three houses, your house will need your support and participation on the day!

### Intermediate Maths Challenge 2014



Pupils at BIC achieved success in this year's UK Intermediate Maths Challenge. Over 200,000 pupils from across the UK took part, with roughly the top 6% receiving a Gold certificate, the next 13% silver and the next 21% bronze. In Brownlow College the following pupils achieved these prestigious certificates:

<u>Bronze</u>-Jason Pocock <u>Sílver</u>- Charlotte Blanton,Tyler Burns <u>Gold</u>- James Carson A tremendous achievement...Well Done! Senior school Mentoring Day

Our third and final senior Mentoring Day took place this month and as usual attendance from parents and pupils was fantastic. Pupils went over their progress to date in their GCSE subjects and set targets for improvement in the weeks ahead. The year 12s will shortly be embarking on their final exams and we wish them every success.

### Junior School Rewards Day Tuesday April 15th

### Mr Brankin Eats Dog-Food in the year 10 Bush Tucker Trail



Junior school rewards day, organised by the hard-working Year Heads and ably assisted by their teams of Form Teachers, kicked off with a bouncy castle and bungee run, videos, a quiz with year 10 and pizza eating for year 11. Unfortunately the year 12s were up to their eyes in controlled assessments and exam preparation and there was no rewards day for them! Awwww...

Year 10s enjoyed a Bush Tucker trial and much screaming and roaring was heard from room 21 where many disgusting things were eaten by undisclosed people. Jake Magee witnessed the opening of a tin of dog food, which Mr Brankin got tucked into with admirable relish. Yum yum! Who'd have thought eh????

Below is a picture of the unsuspecting, blindfolded Mr Brankin about to tuck in! Other Rewards Day pictures can be seen on page 4.



On Tuesday 15th April we had our annual Easter Service with guest speaker Matt Rowley, who talked about how precious each person is. Aimee McConville and Brenna Gough lead the singing as soloists and Maja Ochojska described how Easter is celebrated in Poland. Thanks to the Icthus pupils and staff for a lovely service.

#### GCSE NEWS

Attention all Year 12s.....Remember that there are pre-exam revision lessons in all subjects for you to attend and a revision room will be available in school from Mid-May for those who prefer to revise silently in school. All pupils are to attend exams and revision classes in full school uniform

# BIC Hosts Primary School Toplink Soccer Festival

On Tuesday 8th April local Primary School soccer teams and their teachers descended on BIC to battle for the annual Toplink trophy. The event was organised by the PE department, aided by some of the senior GCSE PE pupils. After an action packed morning, third place medals went to Carrick P.S. with St John the Baptist coming second and Bocombra winning the title for 2014. Everyone involved had a great day, aided by the brilliant weather. Medals were presented in the afternoon by the Mayor of Craigavon Michael Baxter.



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Below left Ryan McClelland and Lauren Finnegan, best overall swimmers in the Swimming Gala. 2014. Pictured right are the winners for each year group.



Middle right the year 8 netball team are pictured after taking part in the local inter-schools Netball tournament, where they came a creditable fourth. Well done girls!

Above, year 10 pupils enjoying their rewards day Quiz and Bush Tucker Trial. Eddie is tucking into some fish skin, while 10L boys cheat with some rather scrummy cream eggs! Where are the snails?????