

Brownlow Integrated College

Newsletter

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Inspection Report: Brownlow is officially a GOOD school!

The ETI inspectors were in school on a follow-up inspection in May. They were very pleased with the progress being made in our school and have categorised Brownlow Integrated College as a **Good** school. Well done and congratulations to everyone for all the hard work that goes on every day in BIC. The inspectors were particularly im-

pressed with our GCSE results last year, which were above the N.I. average for 5+ GCSE grades at A*-C.

They also said that the interviews they conducted with pupils were the highlight of the day. Our pupils were self-aware and articulate and a credit to themselves, the school and their families.

Well done

Brownlow

College!

Have July and



August off!!!

Induction for New Year 8s


Year 8 Induction Evening is on 19th June. We extend a big welcome to all of our new year 8 pupils and look forward to meeting

them properly in September. We wish the Year 12 pupils who are moving on this year the very best of luck in their fu-

ture schools.

GCSE exam results will be available to collect from school on Thursday 23rd August.

Upcoming events

- Sports day on 20th June. May Antrim...I mean, the best team win!
- 25th June Rewards Days for all year groups.
- Brownlow Samba band are playing at **LAND of the GIANTS** show in Belfast's Titanic Quarter on the 30th June to an audience of up to 20,000! Their biggest gig yet! Good luck to all involved!
- Happy significant birthday to Mr McKernan on 22nd June! 

Comings and Goings...

A big welcome back to Mrs Quigley after her maternity leave! The staff room is definitely noisier!

A big thank you to Mrs Barlow for all her hard work in Mrs Quigley's absence! We look forward to seeing her again when she comes back to help out on Sports Day

What a talented bunch we are!

Congratulations to...

Shaneen Thompson 9E who graduated from Junior Chefs' Academy on Saturday 19th May 2012 after attending SRC every Saturday morning for 10 weeks!! Miss Craig and Mrs Mathers were invited and treated to an a delicious 4 course lunch.

Bonnie Staines 12L who won the cup for the best overall Art exhibits at the recent Lurgan show, after winning 3 first places and best pottery piece. Bonnie was presented with a cup on Wednesday 13th.

Our new prefects for 2012-13

Jane Donnelly, Angela Tirol, Jemma Parks, Corrie Boyle, Cuan O'Brien, Mia Robinson, Arianne Cousins, Teri Millar, Estera Obuchowska, Jenny McConnell, Rebekah Long, Jordan Smylie, Ben Russell, Dominik Rebecki, Kieran Donaghy, Jack White, Adam Gracey, Zaiton Lamat, Ashley Robinson, Adam Balmer, Adam Jackson, Scott Hughes, Stephen Galwey, Ross Hume

Congratulations to Miss Farrell who's getting married in July! Have a great day and best wishes for the future!



Farewell to Mrs Mathers and Mrs Mawhinney!

After quite a lot of years service to the school, Mrs Mathers and Mrs Mawhinney are leaving us at the end of this year.

We would all like to thank them both for their hard work, dedication and energy and wish them every happiness as they graduate to playing lots of golf, drinking lots of coffee, travelling the world and enjoying family and friends.



The Key Programme Experience by Jemma Parks 11L

I genuinely find it hard to sum up the key programme; it's so good on so many different levels. It's amazing for those pupils who have not quite developed out of their shell just yet, as many of the activities you do in enterprise training and on the outdoor activities demand you to give it your all. They require you to be able to voice your opinion and your peers are able to learn and gain respect for you through doing many activities with you and learning about the talents and skills you

A group of year 11 pupils completed a year long personal development programme at the end of May. Jemma Parks describes how it went...

have. By residential 3 you are so much more comfortable and these things will just come so much more naturally to you, regardless if you're a quiet person or not.

On KEY you learn to express yourself in different but effective ways that will benefit you in your future.

On residential 1, you meet so many amazing people but you don't really realise how amazing they are until the last residential and you realise this could be the last time you are ever together for a period of time. The KEY Programme believed in me when even I didn't, it's taught me I can be whatever I want to if I set myself goals

Some reminders for next year

- Places are still available on the French trip, leaving for Normandy and Paris on Sunday 23rd June 2013 at a cost of £539. See Mrs Darrah for more details.
- Mrs Kinley is keen to remind everyone about the Christmas production of

"Cinders", (even though it's only June). If you're interested in helping out by painting, carrying, donating, singing or in any other way please see Mrs Kinley!

- Budding reporters needed for next year for the new school Newsletter. All year groups

welcome. See Mrs Darrah for details.

- Next year the school uniform will have a slightly different look when our new tie goes on sale, to be worn for the first time in September.

