

# Brownlow Integrated College

Newsletter

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## Awards Day...The Class of 2015

Our annual awards ceremony took place in the Hub on Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of November. We celebrated the GCSE achievements of our past pupils and the physical endeavours and individual victories of our current students. Thank you to all the parents and guests who attended. We were especially delighted to welcome our guest speaker, John Quinn, the Director of Workforce Development and External Relations at Southern Regional College. It was lovely to see so many of our former year twelve return for the afternoon and we wish them every success in the future.

Below are some of last year's year twelve with their GCSE certificates. On the right are pictured current students who received recognition for their hard work and the group of musicians who performed so beautifully on the afternoon.





## Awards Day continued



Above are the GCSE cup winners and the outstanding junior sports men and women of 2014-15.

## The Mystery of the Extremely Hairy Leg.



Pupils are looking forward to discovering who is the owner of the mystery leg which has featured around the school recently. The mystery will hopefully be solved on Wednesday afternoon, when certain male year 12 form teachers have “volunteered” to have their legs waxed to raise money for the Christmas rewards trip to Belfast on Thursday 17th December.

Mr Weir's lovely Maths

What is  $2014 - 4102$ ?

- A. -2012
- B. -2088
- C. -2092
- D. -2098
- E. -2112



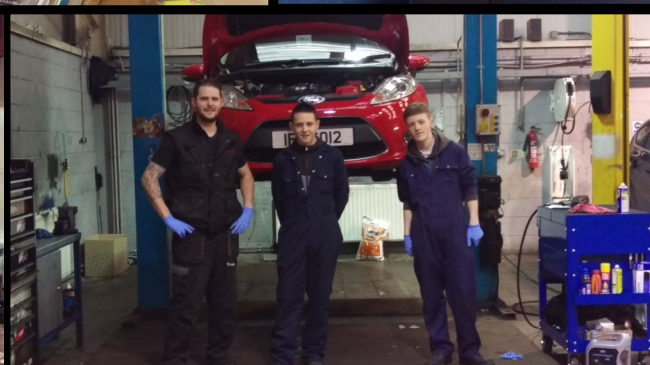
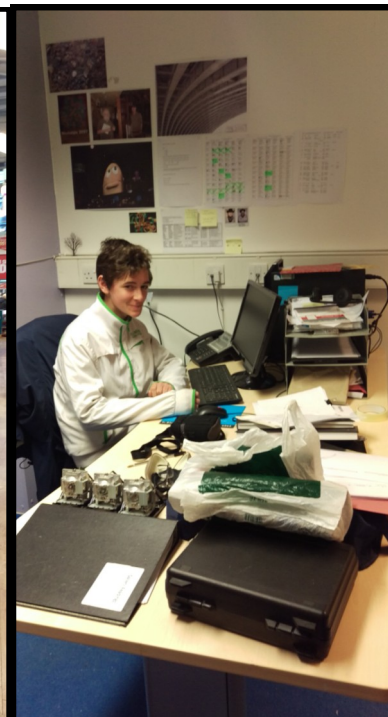
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## Year 12 Work Experience 2015



Year 12s were out on work experience from Monday 7<sup>th</sup> to Friday 11<sup>th</sup> December and were scattered all over the country. Below are just some pictures of the many taken by staff who called to their places of work to visit them. From left to right we have Brenna playing with technical equipment in The Shade, Jordan in happily stacking shelves in Poundstretcher, William doing some admin at MAC, Rui making coffee at O'Hara's Coffee Shop and Dylan and George learning from the mechanics at Ford. It has been rumoured that some of them are glad to be back at school for a rest!







## BIC Quiz Night is a Roaring Success!



With our new Parent Teacher Association (hereby known as BFF) up and running, the first organised family event was a quiz night in the school hall. The Chair of the BFF, Adrian McAlinden, hosted the quiz, ably assisted by Miss Bowman who introduced the spot prizes. Well done to the BFF for what was a really enjoyable night for everyone. Almost £600 was raised towards the Christmas rewards trip to Belfast.

A huge thank you to our quiz night sponsors for their support and generosity. Thank you to Green's shop Tullygally, Green's shop Taghnevan, Tullygally Bar, Fintan O'Hagan butchers Lurgan, Zio's restaurant Portadown, Edenmore Golf and Country Club, Tesco, Mrs Murphy for her fantastic hampers and BFF parents and staff.

Parents and family members are warmly invited to future BFF meetings in the new year. Like and follow our Facebook page and check you child's schoolbag for news of upcoming meetings.

Enjoy some of the many photos of the night. The junior and senior winning teams are below...





## Interested in Adult English Classes?

In the new year BIC will run English classes for Newcomer adults with a limited crèche facility for children aged between 4-11 years. Classes will be between 6-8 pm and will be facilitated by our very own Mrs Gosia Halfpenny.

Tea and coffee will be available. Classes will run for 4 weeks— on the 19th and 26th January and the 2nd and 9th of February.

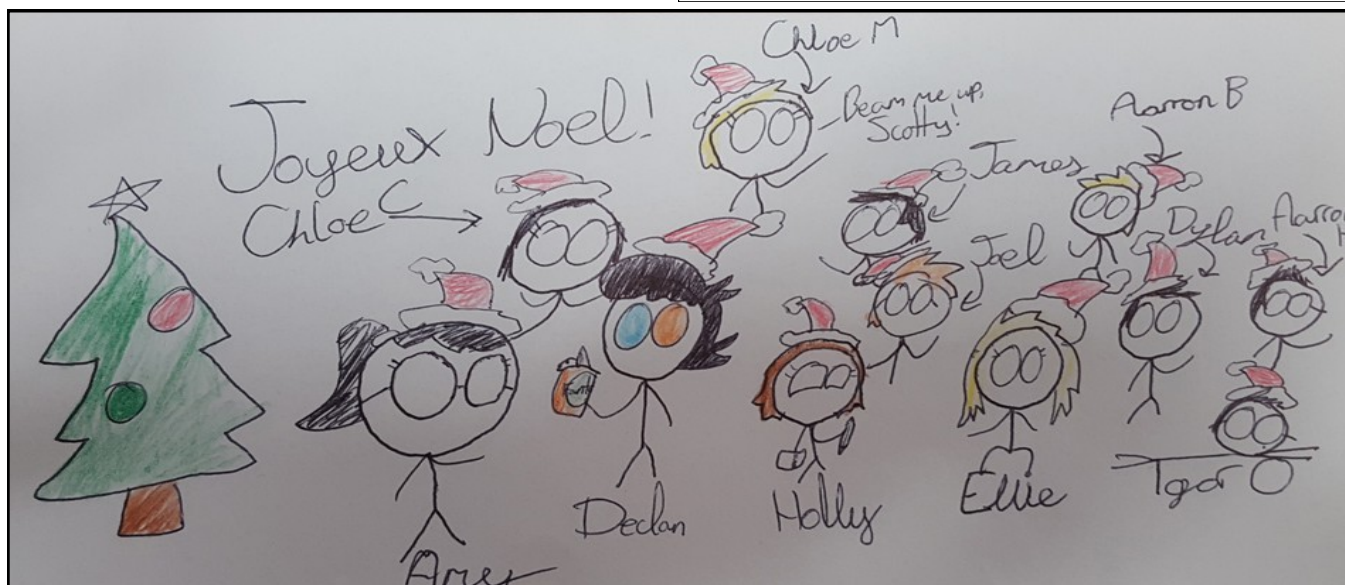
The classes aim to help Newcomer adults with practical language skills (form filling, making appointments etc.)

All adult Newcomers are welcome. You do not need to have a child at Brownlow Integrated College.

## STEM Days for Primary Schools



Pips and Tullygally P.S. were among several local primary schools who attended STEM day activities in November.



## BIC pupils and Staff Attend Communities in Dialogue Event At PIPS



Mrs Norton and Mr Creber along with eight Newcomer pupils from BIC attended a conference organised by Portadown Integrated Primary School which aimed at tackling racism in the community. Paulius Povilaitis was a pupil on the panel of children who talked to those in attendance about their experiences of coming to a new country and the challenges they faced.

Pupils spoke to members of the local community and staff were very proud of our BIC young people on the day.

Pictured here are the BIC pupils who attended in a selfie with Mrs Norton and some of them having tea with Mr Creber.

