

Brownlow Integrated College

Newsletter

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Lurgan Air departing Lemon International Airport!

On Tuesday 5th November a very special day was held at Brownlow Integrated College. Over two hundred primary seven pupils, sixty BIC volunteers and the amazing teachers of the college gathered to celebrate Multicultural Day! Lurgan Air departing Lemon International Airport! Destination- around the world! The P.7s all gathered together to enjoy the 'world' famous Multi-Cultural Day. The entire school was turned into Lemon Airport for that day. The P.7s received pretend passports, small paper suitcases and went on a tour around the school which was brilliantly decorated! During the journey they were able to visit Asia where there was a face painting room lead by some BIC pupils and the opportunity to taste some amazing Asian food. In Africa there was the Samba band lead by Mrs Norton where students checked out African culture and life style and learned about different countries in Africa. They also had a very enjoyable archery class. Europe- with Germany, France and so many other different countries to explore, brilliant traditional food, great activities and of course many smiley faces. In UK and Ireland there was traditional dance, songs, music and much more, performed by BIC pupils and teachers. Once again there was food, tons of laughter and smiles during the exciting dancing class. All the children were dressed up in amazing costumes and five prizes were awarded for the best outfits. At the end the Samba Band give a great performance and Mr Creber gave a very motivational speech about integration. 'Our aim is to educate the children through integration, fun and smiles...' this was the motto of the day and I must say it suited perfectly. All the children were educated through enjoyable activities and were amazed by the kindness of the staff and the very warm BIC welcome!



Staff and helpers from Germany, in Europe, who taught a German dance on Multicultural Day. Visit the school website to see more photos of the day.



Mrs Claus and some elves take time out in Lapland to pose for a photo for the Newsletter.

This was certainly a most enjoyable, pleasurable and successful day at Brownlow for everyone. I would like to thank all the staff for making this day possible and for making it so fantastic!

By Maja Ochojska



Bucket Appeal for the Philippines raises



Brownlow pupils ran an emergency "bucket collection" for the Philippines' Appeal last week.

Pupils, parents and teachers donated their loose coins and it has added up to a significant total. Today, Mr. Peter Anderson collected our cheque for £170.06 on behalf of Concern.

Mr. Anderson informed us that £25 is enough money to buy an emergency shelter for a family that lost their home in the super-typhoon. It goes to show that even small change can make a big difference.. Thanks to all who contributed and to Miss Gilmore for coordinating the collection.

Brownlow integrated College lays a wreath at the Cenotaph in Lurgan for Remembrance Sunday for the second year



For the second year in a row Brownlow has been represented in the wreath laying ceremony at the Cenotaph in Lurgan, along with other local schools. Head Girl Naomi Byers and Head Boy Dylan Johnston represented BIC pupils and staff on Remembrance Sunday.

As an Integrated school we celebrate and participate in all cultural events and see this as central to our ethos.

As usual, poppies were sold in school at break and lunch time in November.

Maths, Maths everywhere

For help and revision in maths do not forget about MyMaths.co.uk. This package provides interactive lessons, games, worksheets and homeworks. It offers a fully interactive, online learning solution for all ages and abilities offering 24 hour access whether at school, home or even on holiday. Your son/daughter has a login to this brilliant resource. Go online and give it a go!

Revision Classes

Room 15 every Monday and Tuesday with Mr Weir

Well done to the Brownlow junior squad: Lurgan JHS B team 0-8 Brownlow College



Brownlow's junior football squad - a combined team of Year 8, 9 and 10 pupils - played their first friendly match of the season against Lurgan Junior High School's Year 10 B team and ran out convincing 8-0 winners. On a cold a blustery day Brownlow took full advantage of the wind in the first period, putting 4 goals past their opposition and followed this up with a good passing display in the second period to add another four goals.

Brownlow Squad: Connor Watt, Jordan McConville, Andrew Weir, James Moore, Jay Patterson, Ryan Jess, Darrah Gray, Ryan Morris, Dylan Mawhinney, Edilson Tavares, Kyle Rock, Chris Wells, Adam Duddy, Jamie Glendinning, Thomas Bell, Stephan Gribben

Annual Awards Ceremony at the Hub

Recently BIC held its annual awards ceremony to celebrate the success of our pupils last year. Awards were presented to present pupils for their hard work and many achievements, as well as sporting success. The House trophy was presented to Mourne! Last year's year 12 pupils attended in large numbers and were praised for their great GCSE results. It was so lovely to see so many of them back for the afternoon and we wish them every success in their new schools and colleges. The Head Boy and Head girl gave confident and inspirational speeches and the choir sang beautifully. Musicians from the rock and samba bands added to the afternoon which was a huge success. Well done to all who achieved awards.



Below, Mr Weir manages a weak smile (traitor) behind Joe and Naomi who hold the house cup bearing the mourne colours and right, Ben Thompson in a focused moment as he drums with the samba band at the end of the awards ceremony.



Open Morning

Newsletter information

Happy Thanksgiving!

Brownlow Integrated College is holding its Open Morning for prospective Y8 and Y11 pupils on Saturday 18th January 2014.

If you have an interesting story or some news for the monthly Newsletter please forward your article to fdarrah427@c2kni.net

Articles from pupils, parents, grandparents and staff are most welcome.



Thanksgiving is held in November in the USA and in October in Canada



Left and above, prize winners past and present with their various awards and big smiles



Above, help is at hand from Mrs Walker and Mrs Campbell. Right, the band accompany the choir for an excellent rendition of John Lennon's "Imagine".



Above, VIPs on the day, including the Mayor of Craigavon, members of the Board of Governors, recently retired staff members, Head Boy and Head Girl, the PSNI and Guest Speaker Mr Aiden McCormick,