

Andrews Memorial Primary School Technology Challenge

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Comber, NORTHERN IRELAND: Andrews Memorial Primary School today held its “Technology Challenge” as part of the school's series of exciting events to celebrate and commemorate the Titanic Centenary 2011-2012.

Comber’s most famous son - Thomas Andrews Jr. was the Titanic’s chief designer serving as a permanent legacy of entrepreneurship and architectural excellence.



Dr Christopher Stange – Hon. Consul for St. Vincent and the Grenadines to Northern Ireland with Andrews Memorial Primary students

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The Technology Challenge had student teams become “architects” to design and construct a building as tall as possible out of playing cards and masking tape to withstand a potential earthquake. At the top of the structure a raw egg (representing people in the building) was placed in a cup that had to be visible at all times. Then the entire structure was put on top of a marble laid area with side walls, pushed and marked for the outcome of the impact with the side walls.

Marks were provided for height, design, stability, egg being intact, visibility of the egg, amount of tape used and originality.

Dr Christopher Stange from the Consulate of St. Vincent and the Grenadines, based in Comber, attended the event, being a Member of the Titanic Centenary Planning Committee.

The Consulate for St. Vincent and the Grenadines is the sponsor of the House Trophy for Andrews Memorial, further strengthening the international link with the school.

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