

## CHIC BUT CHEAP!

Crofton's finest created beautiful couture pieces made entirely from recycled materials. Students then battled it out in a fierce catwalk challenge. Year 8 students made tops, dresses and hats from items collected by other pupils. They swapped silk, chiffon and tweed for newspapers, bottles tops and sweet wrappers to create their unique pieces.

There was stiff competition from the 12 groups who strutted their stuff to become the fashion challenge winner in the school hall watched by enthusiastic friends. Shift dresses adorned with CDs, tops accessorised with golden ropes and festive one-shoulder pieces topped with tinsel shone in the spotlight.

But there could only be one winner. The judges included Year 7 Learning Mentor Sue Fogg, Year Group Manager Beki Clark, Textiles Teacher Sally Wort and Receptionist Tracy Crookes. Miss Wort said: "*Pupils have come up with some extremely creative and original designs.*"

In the end the all-boy group, including Grant Thompson, Ryan Butterworth, Jake Greatorex and Dylan Hall, took the fashion trophy with their stunning yellow and red halter neck piece made from carrier bags and crisp packets and topped with a matching hat.

Mrs Fogg said: "It's amazing what you can make creatively out of rubbish." STEM Fest aims to inspire students in the subjects of science, technology, engineering and maths by offering a range of activities from Friday 14th December to Thursday 20th December 2012.

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