



Kids vie for maths crown

Students from a local school were put to the test on their times tables, fractions and ratios in a gruelling maths quiz designed by pupils.

Claudia Manton and Francesca Formica, from Francis Holland School on Bourne Street, spent last term designing a numbers quiz for year-seven students, which they hosted themselves.

The 13-year-olds are members of the Sloane Sequence One maths club, which covers maths that is not normally taught in school syllabuses.

On the day of the quiz the tension was palpable, as girls and staff looked on to see who would win. The contest culminated in a nail-biting tie-breaker, with the school's Ashcroft House narrowly beating Franklin House to be crowned quiz champions 2014.

Headmistress Mrs Lucy Elphinstone said: "Maths is a particularly strong subject at Francis Holland, so girls in year seven were delighted to have an opportunity to show off their skills."