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Three found guilty of McIlveen murder

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Three men have been found guilty of the murder of Catholic schoolboy Michael McIlveen.

The 15-year-old was beaten to death in a sectarian attack in Ballymena in May 2006.

Aaron Cavana Wallace, 20, of Moat Road, Christopher Francis Kerr, 22, of Carnduff Drive and Jeff Colin Lewis, 19, Rossdale, were convicted of murder.

Christopher Andrew McLeister, 18, of Knockeen Crescent was convicted of manslaughter following the trial at Antrim Crown Court.

Paul Edward David Henson, 18, of Condiere Avenue, was found guilty of affray and criminal damage.

Mervyn Wilson Moon, 20, of Douglas Terrace Ballymena, pleaded guilty at the start of the trial to murdering the schoolboy.

The jury, by direction of the court, had previously cleared Peter Gavin McMullan, 18, of Meadowvale, of murder after he pleaded guilty to causing criminal damage.



Michael McIlveen was murdered in May 2006

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