

## PHS HT Community Update 15/5/26

Dear members of the PHS community,

### **PT Business and Computing Technology (BCT) and Modern Languages (ML)**

Miss Delaney will take up the role of Principal Teacher of BCT and ML from August as Mrs McIntosh's year long temporary role as Principal Teacher of Modern Languages comes to an end. On behalf of the whole school community I would like to thank Mrs McIntosh for her valuable contribution to the Extended Leadership Team and the whole staff team. We are very pleased that she will remain as a teacher in the school and we are sure that Miss Delaney will build on the very positive work in both BCT and ML and develop a strong team on the first floor.

Thank you all for your ongoing support and I'd like to wish everyone a lovely weekend,

Kevin Ryalls

Headteacher

## Rugby

Peebles HS S1 and S2 Riot girls represented the school and club at the Girls' U14 Festival at Netherdale this week, delivering an impressive set of performances. Their opening match finished in a draw against Selkirk B, before the girls found their stride with four consecutive wins over Melrose, Hawick, Selkirk A, and our chums from Gala. Those results secured a place in the cup final, where they faced Selkirk B once again - this time coming out on top to take the tournament win. There were strong contributions across the squad, with a special mention to tournament debutants Emilia for her two tries, and to Annie D for her excellent handling and all-round play. Thanks to [Peebles RFC](#) Development Officer Stevie Hamilton for coaching and accompanying the girls to the Borders festival!



## Battlefields Tour

There are many individual stories and connections on the Battlefields Tours. - Freya visited the grave of her Great, Great Uncle who was killed on the first day of the Battle of Somme aged 20. - Niamh found her relative's grave in France. These are really important occasions for our young people.





## Battlefields Tour

We had 5 pupils with South African relatives so made a special visit this year to the South African Memorial at Delville Wood.



## Battlefields Tour

Day 1 of the S3 Battlefields Trip saw visits to sites on the Ypres Salient. All of our young people were a credit to PHS today, but Struan, Callum and Freya were chosen to lay the wreath at the Last Post ceremony at the Menin Gate because of their outstanding engagement and questions throughout the day.







## Rugby

David Harburn and Johnny Birks will form part of a squad of around 45 players that start a 6 week programme culminating in a residential training camp at St. Andrew's. The Scotland U17 squad for next year will then be selected from that group. A huge honour and just as big a challenge for them.



## Mountain Biking

Round 2 of the Scottish Enduro Series This week our Mountain Bikers were in Pitfichie, Aberdeen for the second race of four. A huge congratulations to S3 pupil Ben Seargent winning the youth category! Well done also to Antoni Janus in S2 who was 7th overall in the juvenile age-group! Great effort boys!

Work hard.

Contribute.

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## French Exchange

French exchange - now we're home and the dust had settled we can reflect on how great this trip was. Mountain biking was certainly the shared interest between students, however the trip offers so much more than good trails and beautiful scenery. It's a fully immersive experience that really develops the students confidence, communication skills and resilience. Our last night we spent dancing the night away at a farewell party, the next morning we visited the local market before getting on the bus to head home. Huge thanks goes to Ubelka

middle school in Auriol, all of the kind families that hosted our students, the leaders and especially our volunteers Scott and Marc who drove the bikes 1500km there and back! We look forward to inviting our French friends back to Peebles next year.





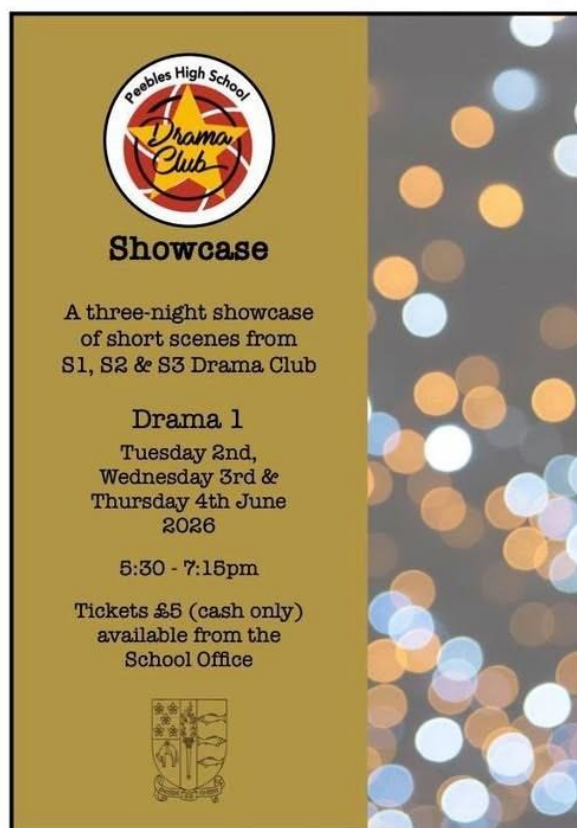


## Drama Showcase

Drama Club Showcase Tuesday 2nd, Wednesday 3rd & Thursday 4th June  
Drama 15:30 - 7:15pm  
S1, S2 and S3 Drama Club will be presenting their annual drama showcase. Come along and see them perform a wide variety of short scenes in Drama 1. Tickets (£5 cash) are available from the Welcome Desk by the School Office.

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## Hockey

Well done to our S2s who played in the Scottish Aspire Festival in Dundee on Friday. They finished 1st in their pool, and after crossovers finished 3rd overall. They played lots of super hockey and worked well together as a team. Well done for a really positive season!

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French Exchange - the biking! A few pics from our last 2 days of biking. One day we cycled from the school in Auriol and explored the trails in a near by forest and the 2nd day we travelled to Saint - Cyr - sur - mer where we experienced the sandy trails and all met for lunch on the beach. Both excellent days with stunning scenery.











