

PHS HT Community Update 28/8/26

Dear members of the PHS community,

HT Friday Community Update and PHS Facebook page

- We have a strong focus on the achievements of our young people and staff in PHS. If anyone has something significant to share, please email the school with details.

Prefect Training

- We have a very positive training event led by the Head Prefects. They looked at how to work together to support our young people and maintain the positive ethos in our school.
- PHS Prefects play a vital role in the day to day running of our school, both in terms of supervision and also being a consistent and supportive presence for our students. More info below.

Staff Meetings - a snapshot

- Our Extended Leadership Meeting (ELT) i.e. HT, DHTs and Principal Teachers meeting this week provided the opportunity to fine tune our improvement plans for this session.
- At our staff meeting on Monday 31 August, we will be developing our Lesson Evaluation Toolkit to link it to our vision and values.

Calendar

- Our parent calendar is on our website [Calendar | Peebles High School](#)

Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support and I hope everyone has a nice weekend.

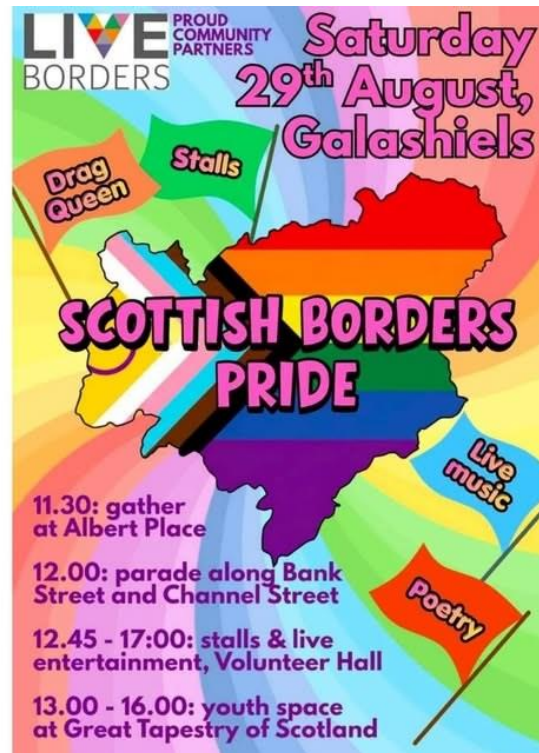
Kevin Ryalls

Headteacher

Scottish Borders Pride

PHS is proud to support [Live Borders](#) Scottish Borders Pride.

Show kindness.



Edinburgh Kiltwalk for PHS Tanzania 2027

Not long to go until Mr McMordie completes the Edinburgh Kiltwalk in support of [Peebles HS Tanzania Group](#). 21 miles with a bunch of students in tow - good luck Mr Mc! If anyone would like to support him, his JustGiving page is below — every donation, however small, is really appreciated. [James McMordie is fundraising for Vine Trust](#)

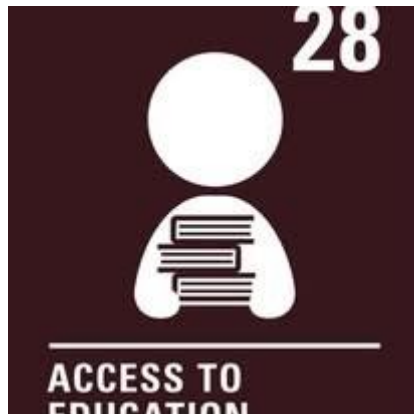


Prefects 2026-27

Our head team led prefect training today for our new batch of prefects who start doing duty around the school from Monday. We had a brilliant morning of teambuilding and thinking about the duties of prefects. A big thank you to the head team for planning and running the event, and to all the prefects who took part! [#Contribute](#) [#WorkHard](#) [#ShowKindness](#)







Music Success

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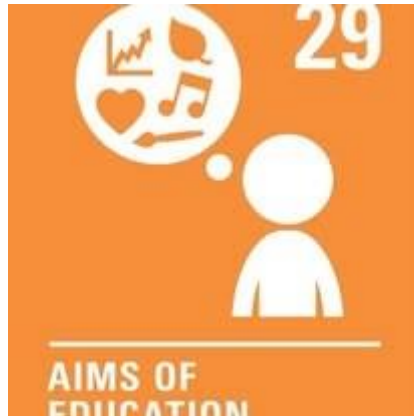
Ethan had the opportunity to work with other young musicians, develop his orchestral playing and experience music-making at a national level. He is continuing to make fantastic progress on both violin and double bass, and we're incredibly proud to see him taking advantage of opportunities beyond the school.

Ethan's participation is a brilliant example of the wider opportunities that can grow from being involved in the Peebles High School Music Department. Music is such an important part of school life. It gives young people opportunities to develop confidence, creativity, teamwork, resilience, discipline and communication skills, while also providing a place to belong, perform and achieve. From classroom music and instrumental lessons to ensembles, concerts and national opportunities such as NYOS, the department helps pupils develop skills and experiences that can stay with them long after they leave school.

We hope Ethan's experience will inspire even more Peebles High School musicians to take part in NYOS and other opportunities in the years ahead.

Well done, Ethan — a fantastic achievement!

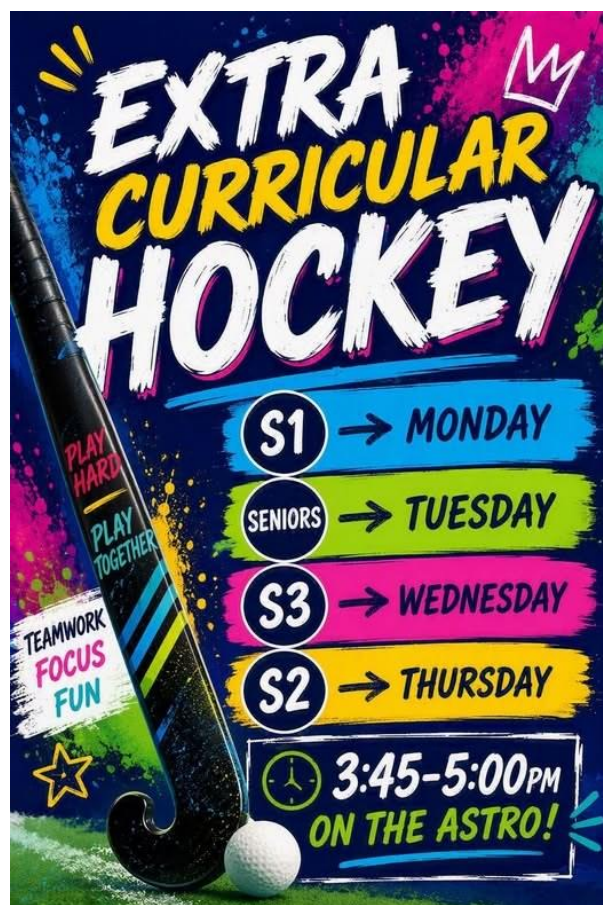


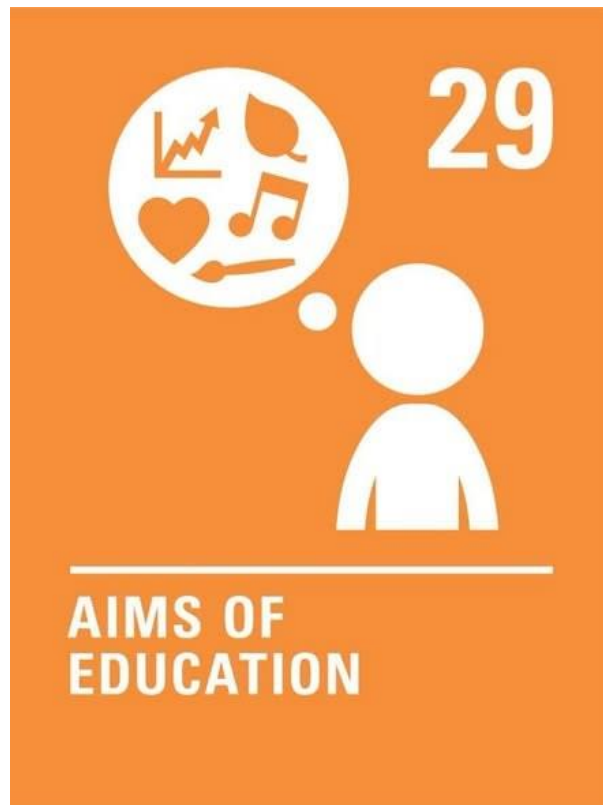


PHS Hockey

A huge thank you in advance to all staff, volunteers and players for our vibrant wider curriculum offer. Go PHS Hockey!

Contribute.

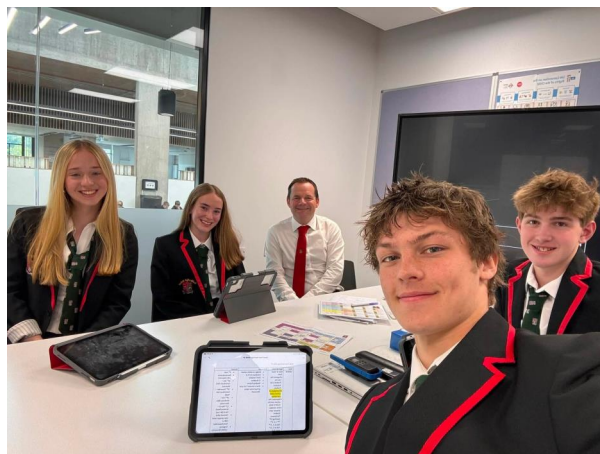


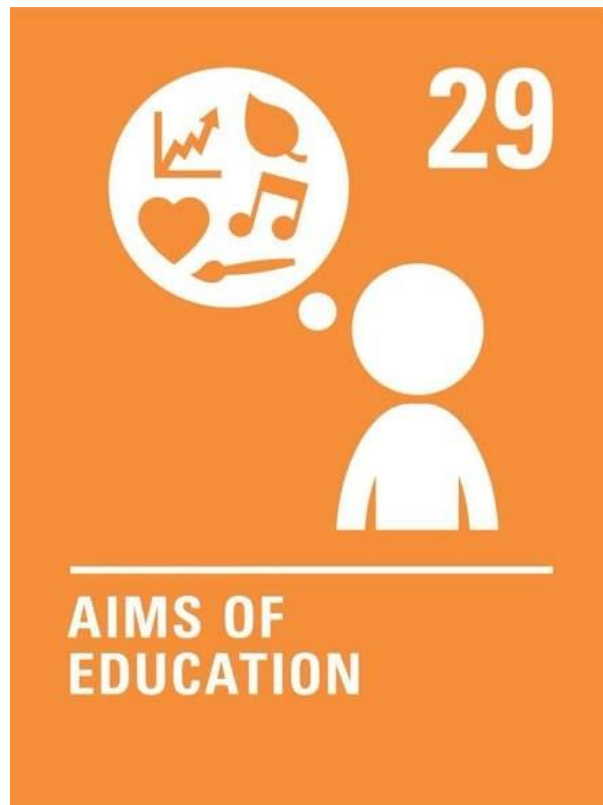


PHS Head Prefects 2026-2027

Great to have our first meeting today as we get on with making PHS even better. Fantastic young people.

One Peebles.





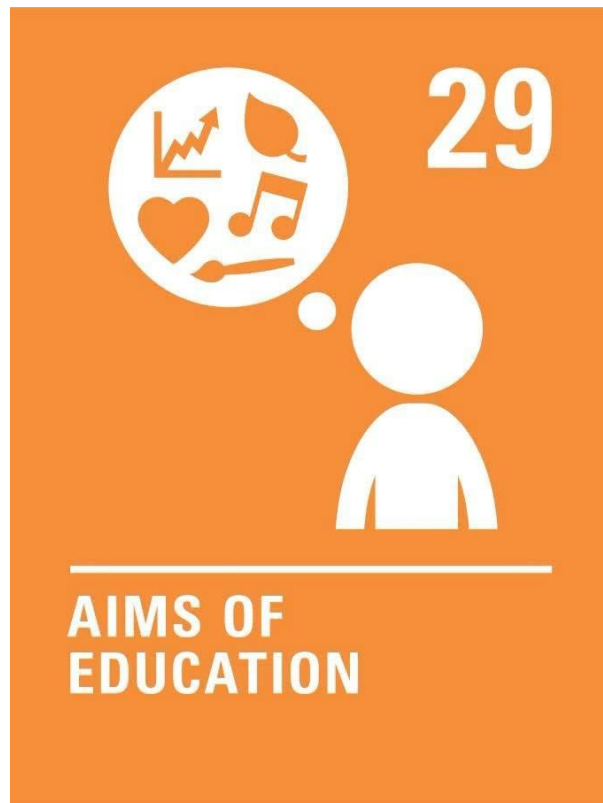
PHS Rugby

S1 enjoyed their first training session this morning in preparation for matches v Dunbar GS. Next session is Monday at 1545. All welcome.

Contribute.







PHS Polytunnel

PHS Polytunnel Next Time you are in Peebles Tesco make sure and pick up a blue token and give us a vote. The "PHS community produce polytunnel" will provide a year round growing space for the school community to learn and grow in. Voting is open until November.

[#Tescostrongerstarts](#) [#Growyourown](#)

Contribute.

