

Inspection of Portobello High School

We would like to thank all those pupils, parents and partners who contributed to our inspection process this week. The team from Education Scotland enjoyed finding out about the work of the school and meeting our staff and young people. It is expected that their report will be published by the end of May and copies will be sent to all parents.

Spring Concert

Thursday evening saw our annual Spring Concert with a wide variety of very high quality performances from groups and soloists and some dodgy jokes from our guest compere! Once again, the talent of our young people and the standard of musical instruction in the school made for a very entertaining evening. Thanks to all performers and also to the Parent Council and FTT department for refreshments.

Young Consumer of the Year Scottish Final Winners

It is with great pride that we announce Portobello High School as the winners of the Scottish Final of Young Consumers of the Year Competition. The final was held in Scottish Parliament on Wednesday evening and was attended by representatives from Consumer groups, MSPs and supporters. Against tough competition from Douglas Academy and Ayr Academy, our team made up of Pippa Watson, Roy Urquhart, Jessie Hardie and Alexander Fraser came from behind to have a staggering win. Well done to all involved!



Football Success

TeamsParty have enjoyed further success this week after our Under 16 Boys Football team were announced as Lothian Schools League Champions. Congratulations to the boys, coaches and supporters.

Teacher Haircut

Well done to Mr Christie from our CDT department who raised around £200 for Comic Relief by selling raffle tickets to allow someone to cut his hair. Jenna McMahon of S5 was the Demon Barber of Portobello and styled Mr Christie's locks into a fetching mullet with quiff!

Torness Power Station Visit

46 S3 pupils had a fascinating visit to Torness Power Station this week. This trip was organised by our Head Boy, Roy Urquhart, who is passionate about Science and was keen to share an experience he had enjoyed with others.

New Lanark Trip

Our New Lanark Trip for S3 also took place this week with more than thirty S3 History pupils enjoying the opportunity to see the Annie McLeod experience, the workings of a factory and the living conditions of people in the 19th Century. They also had the chance to look at education at that time and decided they preferred modern approaches to teaching and learning!