


Dorin's first haircut raises money for Sick Kids



Girl's first haircut donates waist-long hair to sick children

Ten-year-old Dorin Rogers – whose hair was so long she could sit on it – has had her hair cut for the first time in her life so that she can help two children's charities. The big-hearted Edinburgh youngster has had her 85cm-long hair chopped into a bob so she can donate the rest to a charity that makes real-hair wigs for sick children.

Dorin had her hair cut at The Salon at Edinburgh College's Granton Campus – where her mum Soozin is a core skills lecturer – by hairdressing student Selina McLeod. Dorin's teachers and classmates from Preston Street Primary School came along to the college to see her get the only haircut she has had in her ten years.

 Dorin is donating her hair to The Little Princess Trust, a charity that makes and donates real-hair wigs to children who have lost their own hair due to cancer treatment or conditions such as alopecia. Through her act of kindness, Dorin also raised sponsorship for the Edinburgh Sick Kids Friends Foundation, which supports the work of the Royal Hospital for Sick Children in the city. The foundation provides funding over and above NHS provision to purchase vital extras which help to make time spent in hospital better for young patients and their families.

Dorin, who asked her mum's permission to have her hair cut, said: "I decided to cut my hair because lots of kids lose their hair when they are ill and, after nine years of growing mine, I think it's time to give someone else a shot who needs it more than me."

✘ After she had her hair plaited and cut off, Dorin said: “I definitely look a lot different. It’s really weird. I’m so proud that I did this and it also means that my mum won’t have to spend an hour brushing my hair every night.”

Mum Soozin said: “Dorin came up with this idea all by herself and I am so proud of her for being so selfless and generous. The Little Princess Trust and the Sick Kids Friends Foundation are two charities that do amazing work for children who are unwell and we are very happy that Dorin’s act of kindness has brought out the kindness in all the people who are sponsoring her.”

Dorin has raised £657 so far. To sponsor her, go to her [justgiving page](#) at <http://www.justgiving.com/dorin>