

Five things you need to know today



Edinburgh's Christmas Star Flyer – Scotland v Australia – Leith Waterworld – Edinburgh Academy's Big Christmas Fair – Drummond High School Concert

In the interests of finding things out for you The Edinburgh Reporter was coerced into going on the Star Flyer in St Andrew Square the other day...and survived.

It has to be one of the most thrilling things you will ever experience here in Edinburgh. The newest ride in town and much wilder than the Big Wheel in Princes Street Gardens is not for the faint hearted, but go on have a shot – you will love it!

You can book your tickets ahead of time [here](#) and you will get a web discount. In case you may wish to keep your feet on the ground here is a wee video of the experience...

Our man John Preece will be at the rugby international which does not kick off till 18.30 today. Never seems quite right that rugby internationals are played in the dark, but we hope to have a report and great photos from Murrayfield for you later. Are you going? Then [Tweet](#) your photos to us!



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Leith Waterworld was sold by the council earlier in the year following an attempt to turn the premises into a community owned pool by Splashback. The new owner plans to turn the building into a soft play and leisure facility for children.

Councillor Richard Lewis, the city's Culture & Sport Convener, said:- "Since the Council agreed in May to the sale of Leith Waterworld, negotiations have been ongoing with A&G to ensure the proposed development would be carried out as specified, within appropriate timescales. The formal legal agreement has now been concluded and the company are in the process of preparing their applications for the appropriate consents. They anticipate beginning work to create a soft play and leisure facility at the site in the first half of next year."

Edinburgh Academy on Henderson Row have The Big Christmas Fair on today from 10 till 3pm. Get along and hear the school choir who will be performing too! Here is what they say on their website:-

*With only a few weeks to go until Christmas, the most important date in your diary has to be Saturday 23 November. Look no further than the amazing Big Christmas Fair – **your one stop Christmas shop!***

While you shop there's plenty to keep your children entertained – a pocket money stall, a craft workshop, a kids tombola, a make your own teddy bear stall, a Santa's Grotto and for the older children there's ball games in the gymnasium!

In the Dining Hall – Tea, Coffee, Home Baking & complimentary newspapers will be available throughout the day. Sit back and relax whilst listening to our harpist and enjoy looking at the various art works for sale.

In the dedicated Food Hall you'll find a range of delicious food stalls, kitchen & dining wares as well as wine & cheese tastings.

With over 60 high quality stalls, selling a broad range of gifts and products, including for the first time a range of Sports clothing and equipment.

Please come and support your school and the children who will be performing in the school Choir at The Christmas Fair.

And for your advance diary here is something taking place on 4 December...

The Winter Warmer Concert will take place on Wednesday 4th December at 5.45pm, to start at 6pm. Tickets are on sale from the school office

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