Five things you need to know today Edinburgh!

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#CarefulNow - Pandacam - Enter our competitions - Jazz at The
Usher Hall - Films in Portobello

In anticipation of the launch of Edinburgh Trams next month, the council has launched its safety campaign. When The Edinburgh Reporter was on the tram recently it was pretty clear that all pedestrians think they can jaywalk in Edinburgh without fear. However the main difference about the tram is that it is silent. (apart from the bell that is!) So pedestrians and other road users are being urged to take care on the city streets and obey the green man.

Testing is now seven days a week and there will be many more trams travelling along the route from the airport to York Place in an effort to get enough hours and tests under their belt for the tram system to be given the green light.

Tom Norris, Edinburgh Trams Director & General Manager, said: "Testing and training have been going really well and it's good to see that most people are interacting sensibly with the trams.

"Our drivers are driving very carefully to cope with the unpredictable behaviour of some road users, however. It's vital that everyone heeds the warning bell and that people wait for the green man and don't gamble.

"As we get ready to start testing seven days a week at a much greater frequency, we want to see the #carefulnow messages shared as widely as possible."

Watch our tram video here

Little point in trying to watch Pandacam at the moment since the camera has been switched off in the panda enclosure to allow Tian Tian and Yang Guang some privacy while they try to produce a little panda cub. You can of course watch our footage of the pandas on YouTube but perhaps more importantly you can watch the penguins!

The real stars of Edinburgh Zoo get on with being productive and entertaining here on the Penguincam!

Many of you have already entered our various competitions but we thought it worth reminding you that you only have a short time to enter the competition to win some sausages from Crombies which closes on 11 April 2014 at 5pm.

Our competition to <u>Win a family ticket to the Edinburgh</u> <u>Dungeon</u> closes on 11 April 2014 at 5pm.

The competition to <u>win a copy of the new John Muir graphic</u> novel ends later today at 5pm.

And you can <u>win tickets to the Edinburgh College of Art</u> <u>Fashion Show</u>. That competition closes on 16 April 2014 at 5pm.

Good Luck!

There is jazz at the Usher Hall in June

JAZZ AT LINCOLN CENTER ORCHESTRA with WYNTON MARSALIS

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The iconic jazz record label Blue Note turns 75 in 2014. The irresistibly swinging Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra and its musical director Wynton Marsalis celebrate an anniversary that

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Book here.

The next **film at the Wash House**, Portobello organised by Portobello Open Door is The Great Gatsby this Saturday, 12 April at 7pm. Tickets from Popeye's Cafe on Porty High Street. The last two films have been a sell-out. For more of what is happening at the Wash House, see their new website here.