

Five things you need to know today Edinburgh!



Monday holiday – Brunch – Balerno – Botanics – Blues

On a Monday holiday we guess that some of you may be a parent looking for inspiration on where to take your children to avoid that old cry of “I’m bored!”

Just to remind you of the school term dates (this is the first of two Monday holidays this month) [click here](#). And Lothian Buses are running a Saturday service. More details on that [here](#).

This video from Marketing Edinburgh is targeted at dads but has equal application to all trying to entertain a child today!

Otherwise here are some ideas on how to occupy yourselves!

Our [Living in Edinburgh Section](#) has a load of information about things to do and places to go to!

Brunch anyone? We have a list of brunch places [here](#) – but we feel it could do with a bit of a makeover. Where are your favourite brunch places? You can add a photo of your breakfast here to our [Breakfasts](#) storyboard on EdinburghReportage or you can tell us about your favourite place... theedinburghreporter@gmail.com

Take a picnic with you if you plan to go to the Family Fun Day in Balerno.

*“The Family Fun day will run on Monday 5th May from 11.00am-2pm at Mallyen Park/Currie Rugby club (Balerno). Entry is **FREE** and is open to any family with pre school and primary school aged children from within the church or local community. There will be lots of fun activities from football skills, family challenges and a bouncy castle to crafts and messy art, with home baking and refreshments throughout. Bring a picnic and come and join the fun!”*

You might also take a picnic to the Botanic Gardens if the weather is fair. The gardens and Inverleith Park beside the Botanic is a great resource for our city. You might combine this with some learning if you are a gardener as they have a drop in session running today on Edible Gardening. More details [here](#).

Tonight at the Voodoo Rooms there is a blues night. Not just any blues night but the Edinburgh Blues Club.

“This club was established in late 2013 to harness popular support for a regular blues night in Edinburgh and ensure that the city and surrounding areas do not miss out on quality touring blues acts.

EBC aims to provide regular monthly live blues events in Edinburgh featuring touring blues acts from the UK and beyond, with support from the finest local blues artists. The Edinburgh Blues Club is run on a member subscription basis, where club members pay £10 per month in return for access to the monthly events and newsletter. ”

[More details here.](#)

