

Five things you need to know today



Preston Street Primary School

Edinburgh is in the top 50

Annual Potato Day

Black Diamond FM

Barnardo's

Pupils at an Edinburgh primary school are aiming high in their quest for new sports equipment.

Preston Street Primary School have set an ambitious target of collecting 10,000 Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers – enough to provide the school with new badminton and tennis equipment for pupils to use during lessons and after school clubs.

And the school have enlisted the help of local businesses in an attempt to reach the magic total.

Principal Teacher Simon MacLean said: "In our local area we have a high student population and several big local employers. Lots of people don't collect the vouchers for a variety of reasons – perhaps they don't have kids of their own and don't know where to hand them in, or they don't think a handful of vouchers will make much of a difference. If they send them to Preston Street then we guarantee they will be used for a very worthwhile cause."

"Anyone who lives or works in the local area can hand vouchers in at the school office and they will go towards our total".

The school launches its appeal at their annual house cross-

country event on the Meadows on Tuesday 10 February 2015 where all the P5, P6 and P7 pupils will participate in a running competition.

And staff from Sainsbury's Local on South Clerk Street will be on hand to provide refreshments to the 110 thirsty runners.

Store manager Calum Gillies said: "This year will mark 11 years since Sainsbury's began the Active Kids drive in which we have provided over £150 million of equipment and experiences to schools, nurseries and sports clubs across the UK. I am delighted to be working with the school to raise awareness of this fantastic opportunity to introduce new badminton and tennis equipment for pupils to use during lessons and at after school clubs. We have been working hard in store to ensure we can do all we can do to ensure we help the school reach their goal. "

Edinburgh has been ranked in the top 50 in the list of 100 cities which ranks global destinations according to the reputation of their hotels according to [Trivago](#) the online booking website.

Each destination is given a rating according to hotel reviews and ratings from over 200 booking sites worldwide and the capital came in at number 45. London meanwhile did not feature in the top 100.

Guests in Edinburgh praised hotels for their location and spacious rooms.

You can read the full list [here](#)





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which they played yesterday.

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Barnardo's are holding two open sessions at their office at 17
Claremont Crescent, Edinburgh EH7 4HX on 9th February 6-8pm and
on 15th February 2-4pm.

They are recruiting 'Supported Carers' through their Lothian
Supported Carers Scheme. This scheme aims to raise awareness
of the needs of young people, those who have left the care
system or those who do not have a family home they can stay
in. Supported landlords act like landlords or hosts and offer
a young person a room in their home.

If you would like to be part of a young person's journey
contact the Lothian Supported Carers Scheme; visit
www.barnardos.org.uk/lscs or call on 0131 556 4583.

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