What's On in Edinburgh this week- for children

Growing Dads: a FREE project open to dads aged 25 or under and their children who would like to come along on a weekly basis to Saughton Park and grow some vegetables! *No experience needed* Please get in touch if you'd like to book a space; speak to David on 07542 084 356. 2pm, Friday 29th April, Saughton Park, Balgreen Road.

St Bride's Family Cinema: see your favourite films for free! Adventure, excitement, fun and laughs — everyone welcome. Juice and choc ices are available to purchase in the interval at 50p each. This week's film is *Bambi* (U). Please note that all children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an adult. 10.30am-12.30pm (includes interval) Saturday 30th April, St Bride's Centre, Orwell Terrace, Dalry. Next week's film is *Home* (U).

Blooming Marvellous Flower Pots. Spring has arrived! Celebrate by decorating a lovely terracotta pot, planting some seeds and creating some stylish labels so you don't forget what you've sown. With Bragela Hornal. 10.30am-12.30pm, Saturday 30th April, Lauriston Castle, 2a Cramond Road South. 44 per person: advance booking is essential and must be made via the Usher Hall Box Office, Lothian Road, in person, by calling 0131 228 1155 or online here. Please note that these sessions are intended for families working together: children cannot be booked into events alone; at least one paying adult must accompany them.

▼ Vibrations and Patterns: Inspired by Bridget Riley. Join artists Kate Temple and Fraser Gray to explore the dazzling art of Bridget Riley, with practical activities and visual illusions aplenty. 2-4pm (drop-in), Saturday 30th April and Sunday 1st May, Scottish National Gallery of Modern Art ONE,

Belford Road. Free, no booking necessary. Image: Bridget Riley, Burn, 1964 © Bridget Riley 2015.

A Family Fundraising Ceilidh with CeilidhKids: dancing, raffle, juice, tea and snacks — all profits going to support Portobello Toddlers' Hut Refurbishment Project. 2-4pm, Saturday 30th April, Bellfield Street Community Hall, Portobello. Tickets £5 (adult), £3 (child), advance purchase family ticket £12 from Portobello Toddler Hut or toddlershutevents@gmail.com.

Filmhouse Junior: films for a younger audience. This week:

Oddball and the Penguins (U): a true story about an eccentric chicken farmer (Shane Jacobson) who, with the help of his granddaughter, trains his mischievous dog Oddball to protect a wild penguin sanctuary from fox attacks, and in the process tries to reunite his family and save their seaside town. 11am, Sunday 1st May, Filmhouse, Lothian Road. Tickets cost £4 per person, big or small.

Felted Woodland Panels: Join Margaret Findlay and make beautiful bright woodland panels, felting from scratch with wool and taking inspiration from the spring garden. Bring a picnic lunch. 11am-3pm, Sunday 1st May, Lauriston Castle, 2a Cramond Road South. £6 per person: advance booking is essential and must be made via the Usher Hall Box Office, Lothian Road, in person, by calling 0131 228 1155 or online here. Please note that these sessions are intended for families working together: children cannot be booked into events alone; at least one paying adult must accompany them.

▲ Art Maker - May: join the Art Maker Club and make your own masterpieces with artists Tessa Asquith-Lamb and Louise Fraser. For ages 4-12. 2-4pm (drop-in), Sunday 1st May, Scottish National Gallery, The Mound. Free, no booking necessary: supported by the Friends of the National Galleries of Scotland. Image: Andy McGregor.