



Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

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Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

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The Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) is a Government funded programme that provides free holiday clubs for reception to Year 11 pupils in receipt of benefits-related free school meals in Lincolnshire over the Summer, Christmas and Easter holidays.

Although the HAF programme is predominantly for children and young people in receipt of benefits related free school meal. There is a small amount of funding to support children and young people who are not in receipt of benefits related free school meals but who may benefit from attending HAF provision.

The eligibility includes: children being supported by targeted services (child in need, child protection or TAC), children with special educational needs and/or disabilities, young carers, children in care, Ukrainian and Afghanistan refugees.

A child with an EHCP does not automatically ensure eligibility under the 15% funding criteria. Schools have discretion to provide a limited amount of HAF Eouchers for children who are not in receipt of benefits-related FSM but who they believe could benefit from HAF.

Schools are encouraged to have a clear and transparent admissions policy for the HAF programme, which identifies how they allocate the HAF Eouchers.