

Holiday Activities & Food Programme (HAF)



What is HAF?

- The Holiday Activity and Food Programme (HAF) is government funded until March 2025
- Provides funded holiday clubs to school-aged children eligible for benefits related free school meals
- HAF is for children and young people in reception to Year 11
- Covers Easter, Summer and Christmas holidays
- HAF clubs are county wide

Attendance Data

	Primary	Secondary	Total
Winter 2022	2,881	547	3428
Easter 2023	3490	577	4067
Summer 2023	3,781	722	4503

Easter 2024

- Delivery dates and the booking system opening date will be confirmed soon
- Eligible children and young people can access up to 4 sessions

HAF Aims and Objectives

We want children and young people who attend HAF to:

- Receive healthy and nutritious meals
- Maintain a healthy level of physical activity
- Be happy, have fun and meet new friends
- Develop a greater understanding of food, nutrition and health-related issues
- Taking part in fun and engaging activities that support their development
- Feel safe and secure
- Get access to the right support services
- Return to school feeling engaged and ready to learn

What does a HAF Programme include?

Physical Activities

Enrichment Activities

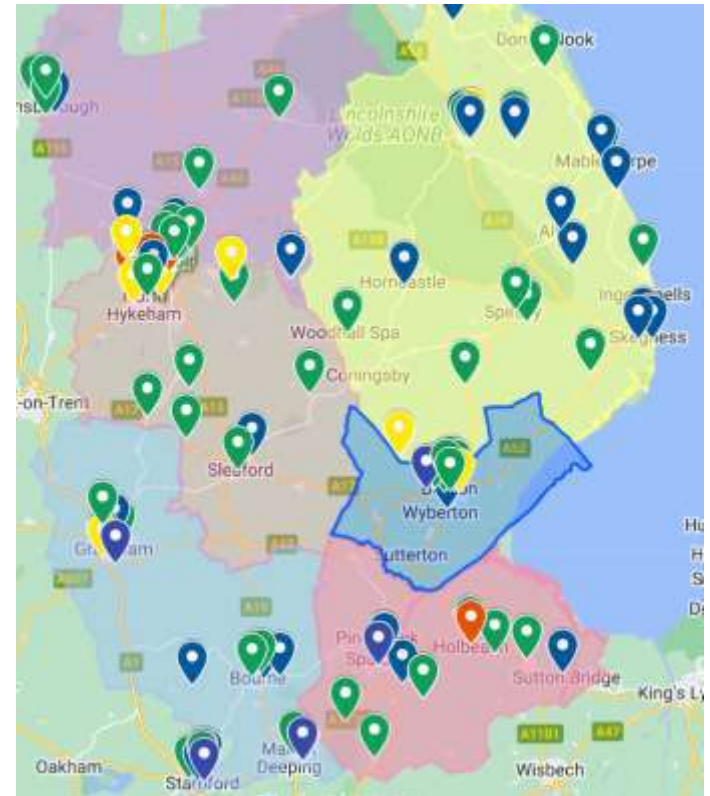
Provision of Healthy Food

Increasing Awareness of Healthy Eating, Healthy Lifestyles, and Positive Behaviours

Signposting and Referrals and Supporting Families

The Booking System

- Schools order HAF Evouchers for eligible families
- The HAF Evoucher will include a link which refers families to the booking site
- All Lincolnshire HAF clubs are listed
- Parents can narrow their search by postcode to locate most local clubs
- We kindly asked that bookings are cancelled if no longer required to allow another child to access the club.



Impact Statistics

Children who attended HAF were considerably more likely to report having taken part in outdoor sport and exercise *(79% compared to 53% in a normal holiday week)*, and indoor sport and exercise *(64% compared to 28%)*

Improvements in socialisation and confidence, with **77%** of children reporting they felt more confident because of attending the holiday club, **71%** of children reported that they learned something new

A quarter of employed parents/carers whose children attended HAF said that childcare enabled them to keep working the same hours *(26%)* or to stay in work *(25%)*

Two thirds *(67%)* of families with a child attending HAF had a home address in one of the **30%** most deprived areas

Children enjoyed attending HAF, giving it a score of **8.5 out of 10** for enjoyment

Four out of every five children attending HAF reported that the holiday club made them feel safe *(82%)*, helped them be more active *(81%)*, helped them make new friends *(81%)*, and gave them a new thing or activity to do *(81%)*

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