



Dear Parent and Carer

Funded Christmas Holiday Activities across the East Riding

As part of the Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF), East Riding of Yorkshire Council is offering children and young people aged 5-16 years who receive an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) the opportunity to enjoy fun activities and a meal for free as part of a national scheme funded by the Department for Education.

There's lots of activities available including sports camps to art experiences, dance workshops to family events across the East Riding. We have a specific SEND programme provided by Abilite and Endorphins full of playful activities, and new for 2023, UV glow in the dark team games events. Tickets are available to see Sewerby Hall's Winter Woodland (a festive story featuring an all-new spectacular display of lights, sounds and special effects) together with relaxed and BSL performances at this year's pantomime at Bridlington Spa for the family.



The vast majority of HAF sessions are 4 hours long and each child and young person can book up to 4 sessions for free in the Christmas holidays subject to availability. Funded places/tickets are limited and these will be granted on a first come, first served basis. Places will be reserved at the point of booking, but eligibility will need to be assessed by the HAF team before the booking is confirmed. Please check with the provider that the provision they offer can support your child's needs.

The Holiday Activities and Food programme runs during the Easter, summer and Christmas breaks and if you would like to find out more about the funded events and activities on offer, please complete this link <https://forms.office.com/e/r5aMbYcHbE> by 24th November. Our website <https://www.activeeastriding.co.uk/holiday-activities-and-food/> will list details of activities and how to book closer to the holidays, and you can reach the HAF team for more information at haf@eastriding.gov.uk.

We hope you will take advantage of these fantastic free activities and enjoy a fun-filled Christmas.

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