



# HAF

Holiday Activities & Food



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## 2025 Winter Holiday Activity Programme

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# Welcome to the Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme

There's lots of funded activities available for children and young people aged 5-16 years who attend an East Riding school in the winter holidays. Why not burn off some energy on our sports, dance and football camps, or relax at our farm and craft experiences? You could also learn a new skill by taking part in outdoor adventure, cooking or storytelling workshops. Plus, there's glow sports, boccia, caving and den building for pupils with SEND.

All HAF sessions are available for children and young people in receipt of benefits related free school meals who attend an East Riding school, and we also have a small number of places on all programmes for pupils with an Education, Health and Care Plan. Your child can attend up to four sessions for free during the winter holidays with a meal provided at each event.

All activities are located in one place, so sign up to [eryc.link/HAFbookings](https://eryc.link/HAFbookings) and book your activities.

Be a part of HAF and enjoy making memories

New to HAF this winter!

Festive treat making including cupcakes and gingerbread

Experiences with horses

Family cooking sessions

Brand-new multi-sports sessions in Goole with over 25 different sports on offer



Parent and carers need to sign up to Plinth, the centralised booking system before booking activities. There will be a range of sessions to choose from and parents can search via area, age group or type of activities.

Please contact [haf@eastriding.gov.uk](mailto:haf@eastriding.gov.uk) if the system doesn't automatically give you access to the website.

## All about HAF

### Is my child eligible for the HAF programme?

Just give us a ring on ☎ (01482) 394799. Have your National Insurance number or asylum seeker number ready, and we'll check if your child qualifies for benefits-related free school meals.

### My child gets free school meals in Foundation, Year 1, and Year 2 – can they join HAF?

While all younger children get universal free meals, HAF is only for families receiving certain benefits (like Universal Credit with income under £7,400, Income Support, etc.), so it depends on your circumstances – we're happy to help check!

### Do I have to book all four sessions with the same provider?

Not all at, you can mix and match sessions from different providers. Your child might enjoy a particular activity, or the location might be close to where you live.

### Will my child receive a free meal at each session?

Yes, all providers strive to offer a hot meal, but cold options may be available instead. Please speak to the provider about meal choices and inform them of any allergies or intolerances.

### What if my child is unwell or can't make it to a session?

No problem, just let the provider know as soon as you can and cancel your booking on Plinth. If your child misses a few sessions without telling them, the provider is likely to cancel future bookings to give other children a chance, especially if there's a waiting list.

### What if it looks like all places are fully booked?

Don't worry, there's still hope! Get in touch with the provider as they may have a waiting list and could call you if someone cancels last minute. You must keep one of your HAF places free just in case they can fit you in. **Don't forget to keep checking the website regularly – spots often open up when other families cancel.**

### My child has special educational needs and disabilities (SEND), can they attend HAF sessions?

HAF sessions are open to everyone and not specifically designed for SEND. The delivery partners are happy to make reasonable adjustments to help children and young people feel comfortable and included. If your child has specific needs that may require adjustments, please let the providers know in advance so they can work with you to create the best supportive environment possible. Please ensure that your registration form is also kept up to date.





**What happens if the support in place isn't enough for my child?**

If your child needs extra help and the adjustments aren't quite enough, please speak to the provider about accompanying your child to the sessions. Some may allow a parent or carer to stay and support their child – especially if you arrange it in advance. Each provider has different rules and insurance policies. Some are happy for you to stay, others might need a DBS check, and a few may not be able to accommodate your request. **The most important thing is to ask first – please don't just turn up on the day.** A quick call or email can help make sure everything runs smoothly for you and your child. Please note that HAF providers are not CQC registered and cannot offer personal care.

If the provider(s) have additional staff available or your child receives Direct Payments, please email [@ haf@eastriding.gov.uk](mailto:haf@eastriding.gov.uk) to request additional support before **Friday, 28 November**. Unfortunately, if neither option is available, we are unable to offer one-to-one support during this holiday season.

**Can siblings of a child with an EHCP attend HAF too?**

Unfortunately not, unless they also qualify for benefits related free school meals or have an EHCP. Some providers offer payable places as shown on the next page. This season, the Family Hubs have funded sibling places on their cookery programmes and Abilite will be inviting siblings to join them for a family pantomime. Don't forget to search for family activities via the local offer at [eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk](http://eastridinglocaloffer.org.uk)



# HAF winter holiday programme



Key				
Primary school aged activities	Secondary school aged activities	Mixed aged activities	★ Payable or other funded places available	
Area	Activities	Ages	Organisation	Contact details (if you are not able to book online)
★ Anlaby	Unwrap a world of festive fun with storytelling, drama workshops and imaginative crafts that'll spark your creativity and Christmas spirit	5 - 9 years	Debutots	☎ (01482) 242250
Beverley and Withernsea	A jam-packed session full of arts and crafts, creative writing and party games to celebrate a wonderful Wollstonecraft Winter	5 - 12 years in Beverley and 5 - 16 years in Withernsea	The Wollstonecraft Society	@ admin@wollstonecraftsociety.org
★ Beverley and Hessle	Our festive football camps are full of skill-building, games and fun challenges, giving young players the chance to improve their football skills and make new friends	5 - 12 years	Ballers Academy	☎ (01482) 218753
★ Beverley and Goole	Join us for the ultimate Christmas fun! Our Sports and Dance Christmas Camps are packed with festive cheer, action-packed sports and energetic dance sessions	5 - 12 years	First Step Sports	☎ (01482) 218753
Bridlington	From festive crafts and planting to cooking, discos and a magical Christmas Nativity trail, there's something for everyone. Bowling and panto trips included	5 - 16 years	Bridlington Quay	☎ (01262) 404104
Bridlington	Head out on a wild walk adventure to visit the amazing site and natural surroundings of Wharram Percy, a medieval village located in the Yorkshire Wolds	10 - 16 years	Rewilding Youth	@ hello@rewildingyouth.co.uk
Bridlington, Market Weighton and Pocklington	Try your hand at tomahawk throwing, meet amazing animals, and get stuck into sports and crafts galore with an activity packed camp full of fun	5 - 12 years	Flying Futures	☎ (01302) 354004
★ Hessle	Join our two day performing arts camp with dance routines from your favourite musicals, festive crafts and a show-stopping performance	5 - 12 years	Flex Dance	☎ 07921 222710
Driffield	Bring your imagination for model making, STEAM challenges, team games and loads of festive fun	5 - 11 years	Creation Station	☎ 07745 346391
Driffield	Enjoy an excursion to Big Fun and bounce the evening away – perfect for young people	11 - 16 years	Driffield Youth Action	☎ 07402 572887
★ Driffield	Dive into zorb football, swimming, cricket, tennis, glow sports and more. Water sports are optional but awesome!	8 - 14 years	Driffield Leisure Centre	☎ (01377) 257480
★ Elloughton	Our Ofsted-registered camps deliver action-packed days with over 25 sports, including bouldering, basketball, frisbee, dodgeball and much more	5 - 12 years	Fit4Fun	@ tom@fit4fun.co



Area	Activities	Ages	Organisation	Contact details (if you are not able to book online)
Goole	From Christmas parties and karaoke to multi-sports and team challenges, there's always something fun to do at Moorlands	8 - 16 years	The Moorlands Community Charity	☎ (01405) 768111
Hedon	Visit adorable farm animals and discover the journey from farm to fork – a true hands-on countryside experience	5 - 16 years	Little Haven Farm	☎ 07712 38924
Hornsea	Enjoy archery, multi-sports, team building, dodgeball, cricket, Kinball and festive crafts and challenges	7 - 11 years	East Riding Health and Wellbeing Team	☎ (01482) 395320
Pocklington	Dive into zorb football, swimming, cricket, tennis, glow sports, and more. Water sports are optional but awesome!	8 - 14 years	Pocklington Sports Centre	☎ (01759) 305052
Withernsea	The fun never stops with arts and crafts, movie mornings, big screen FIFA, multi-sports, pool and messy play	5 - 16 years	The Hut	☎ (01482) 395281
SEND specific activities				
Beverley, Hornsea and Raywell	Enjoy a family pantomime, take a trip to Raywell Park Activity Centre to go climbing, play archery and attempt the Cave Bus! Try our UV get glowing games, zorbing, sumo wrestling and festive fun!	5 - 16 years	Abilite	☎ 07813 131561
North Ferriby	Walk an alpaca, groom a donkey, learn about how we care for animals and enjoy festive crafts and hunt for treasure too	5 - 16 years	North Ferriby Riding for the Disabled	☎ 07751 248399

NEW for 2025				
Area	Activities	Ages	Organisation	Contact details (if you are not able to book online)
Goole, Bridlington and Withernsea	Roll up your sleeves and make your own pizzas, mince pies and decorate festive biscuits with sprinkles and icing, together with seasonal crafts. This is a family event	5 - 11 years	Children's Centre	📧 EHPBusinessSupport@eastriding.gov.uk
Goole	Try your hand at a whirlwind of sports including football, rugby, basketball, dodgeball, cricket, ultimate frisbee, American football, archery, tri golf and loads more. It's non-stop action	5 - 12 years	Premier Education	☎ 0113 4035537
Hornsea	Whip up festive treats like cupcakes and gingerbread, then design and decorate your own Christmas cards and gifts – perfect for sharing or keeping	7 - 16 years	Amy's Cookery Academy	☎ 07429 121367
Leven	Groom, lead and build an obstacle course for your pony. Enjoy horse-themed crafts and calming mindfulness activities with our Equine Assisted Learning sessions (no riding involved)	5 - 16 years	East Yorkshire Equine Assisted Therapy	☎ 07886 042170

## It's useful to know

### ACTIVITIES ACROSS THE EAST RIDING

To see a range of activities that are happening across the East Riding please visit [eastridingculture.co.uk/whats-on](https://eastridingculture.co.uk/whats-on). Here you'll see a mixture of free and payable activities. Alternatively, visit the families information service directory [fishwebsearch.eastriding.gov.uk/fishwebsearch](https://fishwebsearch.eastriding.gov.uk/fishwebsearch) for childcare information and to see what's happening at your local children's centre.

### IDEAS FOR 2026

If you know of any organisation who could deliver fun and engaging sessions in the school holidays to help broaden next year's HAF programme, then please get in touch with us at [haf@eastriding.gov.uk](mailto:haf@eastriding.gov.uk)

### CHILDCARE VOUCHERS

Families can claim back 85 per cent of childcare costs if eligible for universal credit. To find out more visit [gov.uk/universal-credit/how-to-claim](https://gov.uk/universal-credit/how-to-claim). Vouchers are available to those on low income, out of work or if you are unable to work and have £16,000 or less in savings.

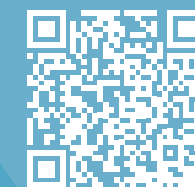
### FREE ONLINE LEARNING - PARENTING CHALLENGES

Visit [eastriding.gov.uk/living/children-and-families/free-online-learning-for-parents-and-carers](https://eastriding.gov.uk/living/children-and-families/free-online-learning-for-parents-and-carers) for free online health and wellbeing support for parents, carers and children.

### FOOD SWAP IDEAS

Visit the below website to help you make simple food swaps when you are shopping, cooking and snacking to help your family eat well whilst making your shopping budget go a little further [mylivingwell.co.uk/eating-well/swap-well-to-eat-well](https://mylivingwell.co.uk/eating-well/swap-well-to-eat-well) Or, explore a range of fun indoor activities to keep the children active over the holidays at [nhs.uk/healthier-families](https://nhs.uk/healthier-families) the new home of Change4Life.

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Please register and book your places via [eryc.link/HAFbookings](https://eryc.link/HAFbookings)



## FOOD BANKS AND COMMUNITY PANTRIES

Please contact your local food bank / community pantry to find out about their opening days / times and more about the services they offer.

**Aldbrough Food Bank:** ☎ 07747 978803

**Cherry Tree Community Pantry, Beverley:** ☎ 01482 871993 🌐 [ctca.org.uk](http://ctca.org.uk)

**The Bread Shed, Bridlington:** ☎ 01262 679978 🌐 [newpasturelanecommunitycentre.uk](http://newpasturelanecommunitycentre.uk)

**The Hinge, Bridlington:** ☎ 01262 679671 🌐 [thehinge.org.uk](http://thehinge.org.uk)

**Love Driffield:** ☎ 07445 554006 🌐 [lovedriffield.org.uk](http://lovedriffield.org.uk)

**Easington Pantry:** ☎ 01964 650535 🌐 [achurchnearyou.com/church/10000](http://achurchnearyou.com/church/10000)

**Two Rivers Community Pantry, Goole:** ☎ 07517 937914 🌐 [tworiverscommunitypantry.org.uk](http://tworiverscommunitypantry.org.uk)

**St Augustine's Pantry, Hedon:** ☎ 07946 703083 🌐 [staugustineschurch0.wixsite.com/home](http://staugustineschurch0.wixsite.com/home)

**Hedon Community Pantry:** ☎ 07808 131606 🌐 [facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066348140925](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100066348140925)

**Hessle and Anlaby Food Bank:** ☎ 0778 3648214 🌐 [hessleanlabyfoodbank.org/pantry](http://hessleanlabyfoodbank.org/pantry)

**The People's Pantry Market Weighton:** ☎ 07495 303538 🌐 [thepeoplespantry.org.uk](http://thepeoplespantry.org.uk)

**Moorlands Community Pantry, Old Goole:** ☎ 01405 768111 🌐 [moorlandscharity.org.uk](http://moorlandscharity.org.uk)

**The People's Pantry Pocklington:** ☎ 07740 998581 🌐 [thepeoplespantry.org.uk](http://thepeoplespantry.org.uk)

**East Yorkshire Food Bank:** ☎ 01482 772060 🌐 [eastyorkshire.foodbank.org.uk](http://eastyorkshire.foodbank.org.uk)

**The Shores Community Pantry, Withernsea:** ☎ 01964 615190 🌐 [shores.org.uk/shores-pantry](http://shores.org.uk/shores-pantry)



## Help for Households



INCOME  
GONE DOWN?



MONEY NOT  
COVERING BILLS?



STRUGGLING  
WITH DEBT?

HELPING OUR HOUSEHOLDS WITH THE COST OF LIVING

🌐 [eryc.link/help](http://eryc.link/help)

## NOT IN THE BOOKLET?

If you are interested in delivering programmes for children and young people aged 5 - 16 years in the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays, please email

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