# Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme



## What is the HAF Programme?

The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme is funded by the Department for Education to provide free holiday provision, including healthy food and enriching activities, for eligible children and young people.

## Who is the HAF Programme for?

To be eligible, children and young people must be in school years Reception to Y11, live or attend school in Ealing, and be in receipt of benefits-related free school meals (FSM).

#### **Vulnerable children and young people**

We are able to offer a limited number of HAF places to vulnerable children and young people who would benefit from attending HAF provision but are not in receipt of benefits-related free school meals.

Professionals who are working with families who may benefit from a place can submit a referral prior to each HAF Programme.

#### What is the offer?

The programme runs for one week each in the Easter and Christmas school holidays (Spring and Winter Programmes) and for four weeks over the summer school holiday. The offer is for four hours per day, four days per week.

The offer is designed to provide eligible children and young people opportunities and experiences that they may not have had the chance to take part in before and to provide them with a nutritious meal. The programme is not designed to be used as childcare.

## Promote to eligible families

If you are working with any families of children or young people who are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, please let them know about our HAF programme and encourage them to book their place.

Eligible families will receive a printed leaflet from their child/young person's school and an email from the HAF Team with their HAF code and booking instructions. Please ask eligible families you are working with to look out for these leaflets and emails. If an eligible family does not receive their code, they should email HAF@ealing.gov.uk.

## Further information

To read more about Ealing's HAF programme, please visit the HAF pages on www.ealingfamiliesdirectory.org.uk or email the HAF team at HAF@ealing.gov.uk.