

## West Berkshire Council: The return of West Berkshire's Holiday and Food Activity Programme

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## The return of West Berkshire's Holiday and Food Activity Programme

West Berkshire's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme is back for the Christmas holidays.

After a successful pilot over Easter, we expanded the programme over summer so more young people could take advantage of it.

HAF is aimed primarily at children who receive free school meals (FSM). It's designed to keep them fit and healthy through a range of fun activities.

We've now been given more money by the Government to move this programme on so even more children and young people can get involved.

West Berkshire's HAF will run from 20-23 December 2021 with 500 places on offer at 13 sites across the district, including 'Hubs' at Hungerford, Lambourn and Newbury.

Over the summer, we teamed up with organisations such as [Berkshire Youth](#) and the [Community Youth Project](#) offering great activities to children who receive free school meals and many that don't. For the Christmas break, we'll continue working with a range of partners, including [Sport in Mind](#) and [Hungerford Youth and Community Centre](#).

Dominic Boeck, West Berkshire's Executive Member for Education, Children and Young People says, "We're delighted to be offering HAF over the Christmas break. The programme is going from strength to strength and offering a wide range of activities to even more children and young people."

**To find out more or to book a HAF place, parents should contact their school.**

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