

20th June 2024

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Healthy Holidays is our local name for the Department for Education's (DfE) Holiday Activity and Food Programme.

Our fantastic holiday clubs provide delicious food and amazing activities for school aged children who are eligible for income-related Free School Meals. The best bit is that we receive funding from the Department for Education to run these clubs, so there is no cost to the parents/ carers for their children and young people to attend.

We run over the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays, for children from reception to year 11. This year, we are using a booking system to manage the activities. To access the activities, you will need to go to this site: <https://healthyholidays.leeds.gov.uk/>, create an account and then register each of the children you would like to attend.

The eligibility of children will be checked against the Free School Meal register. If your child doesn't match, we'll manually search the register using your National Insurance number. We will not use your NI number for anything else and we will not share this number with anyone else.

If you are not registered for Income-Related Free School Meals, you can check your eligibility and apply here: <https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals>.

If you are not eligible for Income- Related Free School Meals but believe that you meet alternative qualifying criteria (please see FAQ's here:) then please speak to your local Healthy Holidays provider, you can find the full list of providers here: <https://www.leeds.gov.uk/children-and-families/healthy-holidays>, or email HHBooking@leeds.gov.uk.

Once you have registered and your child's eligibility has been confirmed and you will be able to go ahead and book activities taking place over the summer holidays. Please read the different activities and book on to those which are suitable for your children. Please note that once you've booked onto events, the providers will check your child's details and review any identified support needs to make sure the event is suitable for them. If the provider has any questions or concerns they will get in touch with you.

If you can no longer attend an event, please log into your account and cancel your child's attendance. Thank you for doing this- this will allow another child to attend the event.

We can't wait to see you at your first event! Remember to keep an eye on our website for the latest updates.

If you have any further questions or need assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to us at HHbooking@leeds.gov.uk. Our team is always ready to help you have the best experience possible.

Kindest Regards,

The Healthy Holidays Team,

Leeds City Council