

HAF Summer 22 Briefing

This summer's Holidays Are Fun (HAF) programme is running from Monday 25th July until Friday 2nd September. We have over 19000 spaces across 34 different provisions up for grabs for Children in the borough aged 5 to 16. The Holidays Are Fun (HAF) programme is being delivered in partnership with Catalyst and the Department for Education and is available for families who are in receipt of benefits-related free school meals, in receipt of Universal Credit or experiencing financial difficulties.

We have a wide range of activities on offer this summer which include sports, dancing, cooking, arts & crafts, horse riding, bushcraft, film making and more. Each session will include a free nutritious meal, which will be a hot meal where appropriate.

Following the Easter HAF programme, we received some great feedback from the children involved:

"I wish I could come here every day it's so much fun and now I have lots of new friends!"

-Charlie age 8

"I like that there is something for the teenagers to enjoy. I have loved trying a new sport and making new mates at the holiday club and the food has been really nice too."

(Anonymous age 15)

"I feel stronger and happier!"

"I'm going to cook the food we made holiday club at home too because it's tasty and healthy!"

Our aim to reach more families this summer and get more children involved in the wide range of activities.

Bookings open on 6th July through the SBC [HAF web page](#).

Postcards have been sent out to schools across the borough which also gives information for families to check if they are eligible for Free School Meals.

If you have any queries, you can email haf@stockton.gov.uk or call 01642 527752