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Free Holiday Club Places for Your Child – The Holiday Activity and Food Programme is offering FREE Holiday Club Places for eligible children in Derbyshire.

Dear Parent/Carer,

We're pleased to let you know about **Department for Education-funded holiday club spaces** available in your local area.

Thanks to the **Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme**, known in Derbyshire as **It's About Me**, your child can enjoy fun-filled holiday clubs that include engaging activities, learning opportunities and healthy meals — **at no cost to you**.

Who Is Eligible?

If your child is both:

- Aged **4–16 years**
- Eligible for **benefits-related free school meals**

they are entitled to attend It's About Me holiday clubs during the **spring, summer, and winter holidays**.

What's On Offer?

Holiday clubs include a wide range of exciting activities such as:

- Sports
- Arts and crafts
- Cooking
- Dance and music
- And much more

Every session also includes a **nutritious meal**, helping children stay energised and happy throughout the day. Each club offers a unique programme depending on its location and type — there's always something new to explore!

Not eligible? Many clubs also offer paid places, so every child has the opportunity to join in the fun.

Important Dates

SPRING

- **Bookings Open:** Monday 9th March 2026
- **Holiday Clubs Open:** Monday 30th March – Friday 10th April 2026

SUMMER

- **Bookings Open:** Monday 29th June 2026
- **Holiday Clubs Open:** Thursday 23rd July- Friday 4th September 2026

WINTER

- **Bookings Open:** Monday 30th November 2026
- **Holiday Clubs Open:** Monday 21st December – Thursday 31st December 2026

All dates exclude bank holidays and weekends.

How to Book

1. Get your **unique IAM/HAF code** from your child's school (see full [eligibility criteria](#)).
2. Visit itsaboutmederbyshire.co.uk
3. Follow the [How to Book Guide](#)
4. [Join the mailing list](#) to receive announcements and updates directly from the programme.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch. We look forward to welcoming your child to an It's About Me holiday club soon!

Kind regards,

The It's About Me Team