

Date: 25th November

Dear Parent or Guardian

The Winter HAF programme starts on the 23rd December and there are lots of great activities happening over the school holidays. Children and young people, from reception to age 16, who are eligible for benefits related free school meals, will be able to access hundreds of activities throughout the Christmas holidays including specific provision available for children with SEND or additional needs, at **no cost**. There's a great range of activities across the city including **breakfast with Father Christmas, Christmas crafts, Christmas parties, ultraviolet dodgeball, cooking, mindfulness, yoga, football, drumming, creative writing, cycling, gymnastics, theatre tech, podcasting, drama, trips out and ice skating!** A meal is included for every child attending.

We have introduced a central booking system to make it easier for you to find and book the activities. You can find out where your nearest scheme is by clicking on this link <https://eequ.org/liverpoolhaf> or using the QR code which will take you to the Liverpool HAF page and the easy to fill in booking system. You can search by age, provider or date. There is a handy booking help video here - [How to make a booking](#)



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- ☐ If you are struggling with the cost of living then please click:
<https://www.liverpool.gov.uk/cost-of-living/>
- ☐ If you're more than 10 weeks pregnant or have a child under 4, you may be entitled to get help to buy healthy food and milk. Click on the link to find out how to register
<https://www.healthystart.nhs.uk/>

Liverpool City Council is working with Mersey Play Action Council, the local schools, voluntary and community organisations, and childcare providers to deliver the Winter HAF programme. This programme is funded by the Department for Education.

The Family Information and SEND Directory also provides a wealth of useful information and support for families - [FISD](#).

Regards

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