

# Warwickshire Holiday Activities & Food (HAF) Programme

Spring 2025

The Spring HAF delivery period ran from Saturday 12th April - Sunday 27th April 2025. Each eligible young person could access a maximum of 4 funded sessions over the school holiday.



The Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) provision in Warwickshire is for children in full time education from reception to Year 11 (inclusive), who receive benefits-related free school meals (FSM).

The programme offers valuable support to families on lower incomes, giving young people the opportunity to access activities with a meal provision over the main school holidays in Winter, Spring and Summer.

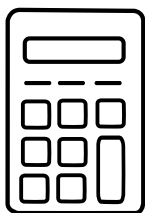


A huge thanks as the HAF programme helps to keep my children active and off devices. This is super important for their mental wellbeing and helps them to build social skills with others.

Parent/Carer from South Warwickshire



Meals served  
**8263**

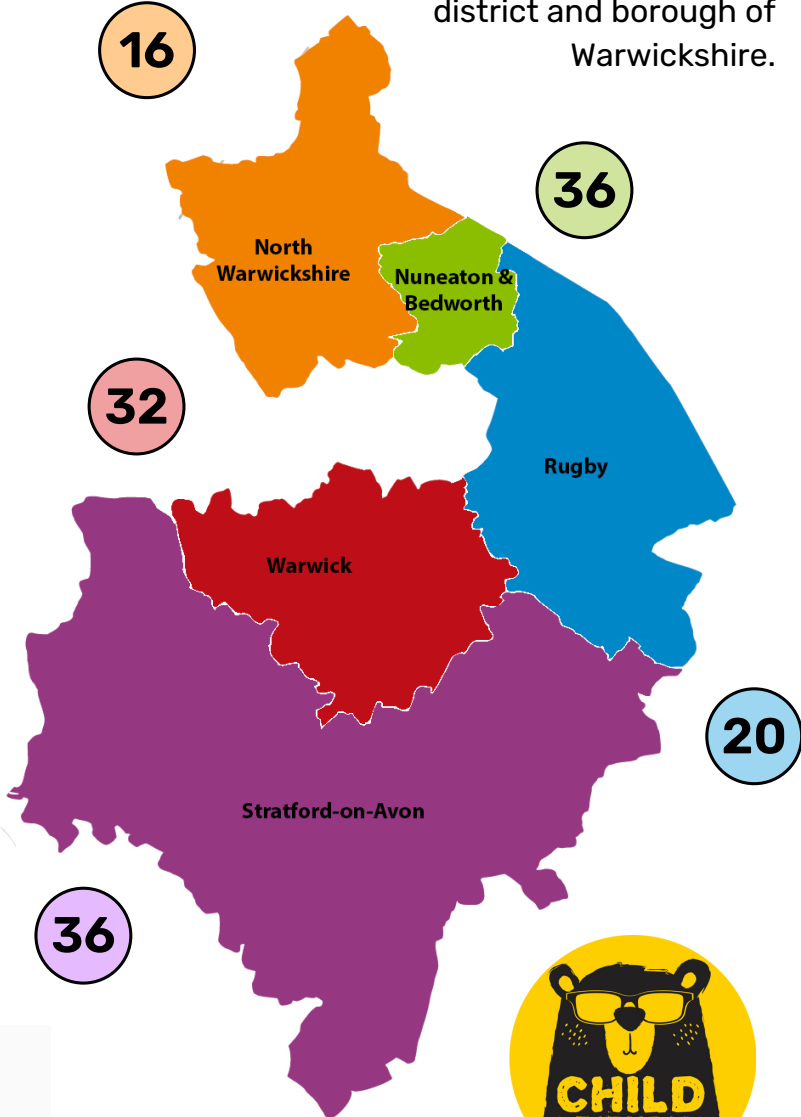


HAF codes used  
**4034**

**94%**

Overall attendance %  
- Spring HAF 2025

Number of HAF activities available to book in each district and borough of Warwickshire.



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The overall **non-attendance** figure for Spring HAF was 6%. This is lower than the non-attendance figure of 8.5% from Spring HAF 2024. Direct, activity-to-family communication and consistent follow-up efforts by our dedicated providers are key to ensuring HAF placements are filled.

HAF places available	HAF bookings made	Programme occupancy
11,182	9816	88%

[Onside Coaching] greet the children by name and know them as they arrive; they contact me if any issue arises which needs follow up; they are very friendly and helpful. The activities offered are various and well judged - the children love them.

Parent/Carer from South Warwickshire



140

Number of sites where HAF activities took place this Spring.

All of our providers are encouraged to be inclusive and extra funding is offered to support additional staffing for SEND attendees. However, there were also **8 SEND-specific activity providers** available to book for those with more individual needs. We also offer our SEND Family Experiences with more information on page 4.



My child had a great time. Plenty of activities to keep her occupied.

Parent/Carer from North Warwickshire



Over **8,600** HAF codes have been sent out to date. This amounts to more than **1/3 of those eligible for FSM in Warwickshire.**

**Activities on offer** ranged from multi-sport to STEM, theatre, animal care, boxing, football, music and arts. We also fund closed provisions with internal council teams like resettlement.

My child is lactose intolerant and was provided alternative foods where necessary... Just so thankful for these provisions. They make a huge difference.

Parent/Carer from South Warwickshire




- Some of the foods on offer this Spring:**
- Breakfast bar: toast, cereal, porridge, pastries & fruit
  - Pasta and meatballs
  - Roast chicken
  - Dessert pancakes with fruit (pictured)
  - Jacket potato, bolognese and salad toppings
  - Deli bags: sandwiches, wraps, pasta, salad, crisps & yogurt
- We encourage all providers to incorporate health & nutrition activities into their provision. No packed lunches required!**





The number of distinct young people accessing HAF this summer can be found below:		
	Primary	Secondary
FSM / Non-SEND	2138 (53%)	598 (15%)
FSM / SEND	643 (16%)	296 (7%)
Non-FSM / Non-SEND	106 (3%)	123 (3%)
Non-FSM / SEND	73 (2%)	57 (1%)
Total	2960 (74%)	1074 (26%)

My son had an amazing 4 days! We've never used a HAF code before, but having a SEN child, this has been wonderful for him to do something structured he actually likes to do.


 **Parent/Carer from Rugby Borough**



Our social media posts advertising our Spring HAF programme were viewed over **18,500** times across Facebook. We post on the Family Information Service's account.

An activities brochure was not published this Spring due to staffing constraints. Brochures will be available once more for this year's Summer provision.

My children absolutely loved their time with Glo-Fest. The leaders are all very hands on and really kid friendly. I felt happy and relieved to be leaving them all day knowing how much fun they were having and that they would be properly cared for.

 **Parent/Carer from Central Warwickshire**





Directory views 

**7539**

Unique visits to our activity listings on the online Warwickshire directory.

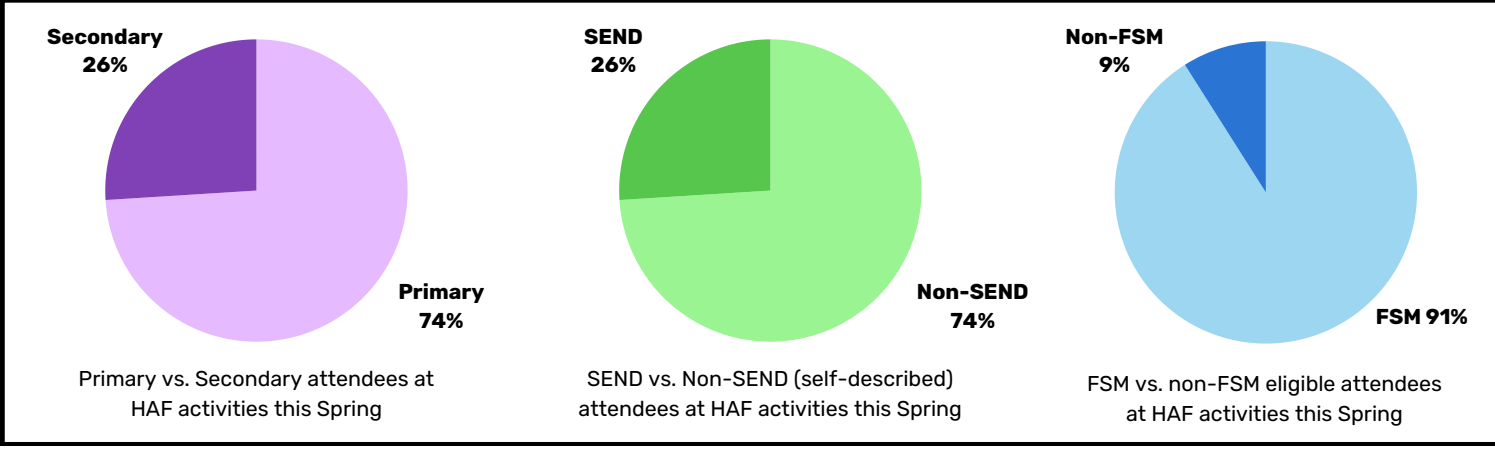
Thank you, children were well entertained and fed which gave me chance to concentrate on my 4 year old with additional needs.

**Parent/Carer from Nuneaton & Bedworth Borough** 

Website hits 

**9113**

Unique visits to our website, hosted on SearchOut.







328

Number of individual families that attended a SEND Family Experience this Winter

966

Meals served as part of a SEND Family Experience



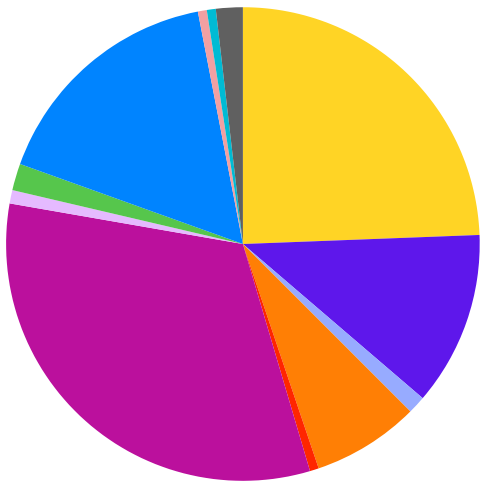
Our most popular Send Family Experience for Spring 2025 was Drayton Manor

Parent/Carer from North Warwickshire

We prefer the SEND family experiences as my son struggles to attend the regular activities.

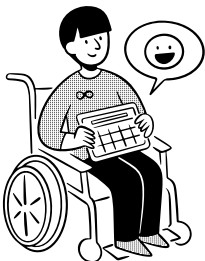
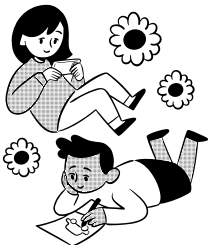


Booking distribution for the family experiences



- Twycross Zoo
- Drayton Manor
- Family Swim
- Red Kangaroo
- Compton Verney
- British Motor Museum
- Cineworld/Odeon
- Redwings Oxhill
- Ash End House Farm
- Stratford Butterfly Farm
- Spencer's Retreat
- Polesworth Donkey Sanctuary

SEND Family Experiences were offered to families where at least one child is in receipt of benefits-related free school meals and has an EHCP. Experience choices included Drayton Manor, Twycross Zoo, Ash End Farm, Red Kangaroo, the British Motor Museum and Polesworth Donkey Sanctuary.



This is such an amazing thing for my family, if it wasn't for this we would be stuck in all holiday. Instead we have made some special memories.

Parent/Carer from North Warwickshire



Number of families who attended each experience (additional families were booked, but did not attend):

Site	Website	No. Families
Ash End Farm	<a href="https://ashendchildrensfarm.co.uk/">https://ashendchildrensfarm.co.uk/</a>	39
Butterfly Farm	<a href="http://www.butterflyfarm.co.uk/">http://www.butterflyfarm.co.uk/</a>	6
Cineworld/Odeon	<a href="https://www.cineworld.co.uk/#/">https://www.cineworld.co.uk/#/</a> <a href="https://www.odeon.co.uk/">https://www.odeon.co.uk/</a>	54
Compton Verney	<a href="https://www.comptonverney.org.uk/">https://www.comptonverney.org.uk/</a>	2
Drayton Manor	<a href="https://www.draytonmanor.co.uk">https://www.draytonmanor.co.uk</a>	106
Family Swim	<a href="https://www.everyoneactive.com/">https://www.everyoneactive.com/</a>	4
Motor Museum	<a href="https://www.britishmotormuseum.co.uk/">https://www.britishmotormuseum.co.uk/</a>	3
Polesworth Sanctuary	<a href="https://polesworthdonkeysanctuary.com/">https://polesworthdonkeysanctuary.com/</a>	6
Red Kangaroo	<a href="https://oxygenactiveplay.co.uk">https://oxygenactiveplay.co.uk</a>	24
Redwings Oxhill	<a href="https://www.redwings.org.uk/">https://www.redwings.org.uk/</a>	2
Spencer's Retreat	<a href="https://www.spencers-retreat.com/">https://www.spencers-retreat.com/</a>	2
Twycross Zoo	<a href="https://twycrosszoo.org/">https://twycrosszoo.org/</a>	80

4.9

Average rating out of 5 from families who attended their experience

4.8

Average rating out of 5 for the booking process at family experiences

4.5

Average rating out of 5 for the food at family experiences

Summer delivery

Monday 21st July 2025 - Friday 29th August 2025

JUNE 23

SUMMER HAF ACTIVITY LISTINGS GO LIVE

JULY 21

SUMMER HAF BEGINS

You can book a maximum of 16 funded sessions!

HAF website



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