



Activate summer timeline 2026

Essex and Thurrock Holiday Activity and Food Programme

Task	Deadline
Delivery Partners to put all activities on the HolidayActivities booking platform and the Activity Finder Directory (Played)	Monday 15th June
Professional referral link opens	Monday 15th June
Summer bookings go live	Monday 22nd June at 12 noon
Professional referral vouchers released to families	Monday 22nd June at 12 noon
Parent self referral opens	Monday 22nd June at 12 noon
*Updated risk assessments if using a new venue for summer	Friday 26th June
Successful parent self referral vouchers released to families	Monday 29th June at 12 noon
Delivery Partners to collect their resources	Between 6th – 19th July
Summer holiday delivery	20th July – 2nd September
Quality assurance visits	20th July – 2nd September
Monitoring and Evaluation Forms sent out	Monday 24th August
All registers on HolidayActivities to be marked, Summer Monitoring and Evaluation Forms to be submitted	Tuesday 8 th September
Winter delivery funding confirmed	From 5th October

*in exceptional circumstances some of the dates may be subject to change.



Activate winter timeline 2026

Essex and Thurrock Holiday Activity and Food Programme

Task	Deadline
Delivery Partners to put all activities on the HolidayActivities booking platform and the Activity Finder Directory (Played)	Monday 9th November
Professional referral link opens	Monday 9th November
Winter bookings go live	Monday 16th November
Professional referral vouchers released to families	Monday 16th November
Parent self referral opens	Monday 16th November
*Updated Risk Assessments if using a new venue for winter	Friday 20th November
Successful parent self referral vouchers released to families	Monday 23rd November
Delivery Partners to collect their resources	7th – 18th December
Winter holiday delivery	21st December- January 1st
Quality Assurance Visits	21st December- January 1st
Monitoring and Evaluation Forms sent out	Wednesday 23rd December
All registers on HolidayActivities to be marked, Winter Monitoring and Evaluation Forms to be submitted	Tuesday 5 th January

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