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The Department for Education's Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) programme is delivered across Essex and Thurrock by Active Essex, and known locally as Essex ActivAte. The Essex ActivAte HAF programme runs during Easter, Summer and Winter holidays, and gives children and young people the opportunity to stay active, try new activities, make friends and enjoy free, nutritious meals and snacks.

From September 2026, more families receiving Universal Credit will become eligible for Free School Meals (FSM). However, this change does not affect eligibility for free Essex ActivAte holiday club places. Not all children receiving Free School Meals will be eligible for a free Essex ActivAte place. Free places are only available to children who meet the Targeted Free School Meals criteria used by schools and local authorities. If you're unsure whether your child is eligible, please check with your school or local authority, or check your Free School Meals eligibility here.

Please note that activities marked "(SEND Children Only)" are exclusively for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND).

Basildon

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
ATF Briscoe (Primary)	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
ATF Briscoes (Secondary)	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
ATF King Edwards Community Centre	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
ATF Millhouse	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
ATF Northlands	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
ATF Vange (Primary)	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
ATF Vange (Secondary)	Basildon	07368 247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
Butterflies Christmas (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Basildon	N/A	bookings@butterfliesclub.co.uk	Click here to book
Camp 4 Champs Mayflower	Basildon	020 8103 0101	bookings@camp4champs.co.uk	Click here to book
Crafty Katie	Basildon	07929 044959	craftykatie10@gmail.com	Click here to book
Everyone Active	Basildon	N/A	N/A	Click here to book

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Jack of all Sports	Basildon	07919 888093	jackofallsports@btinternet.com	Click here to book
JTD Arts	Basildon	07856 869296	activejtd@hotmail.com	Click here to book
JTD Arts (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Basildon	07856 869296	activejtd@hotmail.com	Click here to book
Kidbusterz Ltd	Basildon	N/A	info@kidbusterz.co.uk	Click here to book
Mega Camps Ltd	Basildon	0333 012 4378	customersupport@megacamps.net	Click here to book
Motivated Minds	Basildon	07539 118656	thrive@motivated-minds.co.uk	Click here to book
Paragon Training Facility	Basildon	07478 147960	admin@ptfmma.com	Click here to book
Signpost Basildon	Basildon			
Southend United Community and Educational Trust (Eversley)	Basildon	01702 341351	d.king@southendunited-cet.co.uk	Click here to book
Wickford Town Football Club	Basildon	N/A	claire@wickfordtown.co.uk	Email to book

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Braintree

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Braintree District Museum Trust	Braintree	01376 328868	bethany.smith@bdmt.org.uk	Click here to book
Camp 4 Champs	Braintree	020 8103 0101	bookings@camp4champs.co.uk	Click here to book
Freedom Leisure Braintree Sports & Health Club	Braintree	01376 534910	catherine.forsyth@freedom-leisure.co.uk	Click here to book
Freedom Leisure Witham Leisure Centre	Braintree	01376 534910	catherine.forsyth@freedom-leisure.co.uk	Click here to book
Freedom Leisure Halstead (Winter Experience)	Braintree	01376 534910	catherine.forsyth@freedom-leisure.co.uk	Click here to book
Kinetix Academy CIC	Braintree	01376 337315	info@teamkinetix.co.uk	Click here to book
Making It Mindful Mainstream	Braintree	07403 821666	milli@makingitmindful.co.uk	Click here to book
Making It Mindful (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Braintree	07403 821666	milli@makingitmindful.co.uk	Click here to book
MultiCoach Ltd	Braintree	07769 033144	info@multicoachuk.co.uk	Click here to book
Olivers Lodge	Braintree	01799 540709	hannah@olivers-lodge.co.uk	Click here to book
POP Essex Respite (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Braintree	07540 096631	popessex@gmail.com	Click here to book
POP Essex Stay & Play (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Braintree	07540 096631	popessex@gmail.com	Click here to book
Sports Coaching Specialists (SCS) Witham	Braintree	07841 594266	hafprogramme.scs@gmail.com	Click here to book

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Brentwood

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
BOSP (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Brentwood	01268 553117	enquiries@bosp.co.uk	Email/Phone to book
Everyone Active - King George Soft Play & Sensory (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Brentwood	N/A	N/A	Click here to book
Football Fun Factory (Franchising) Ltd	Brentwood	07712 427838	kieranwren@thefootballfunfactory.co.uk	Click here to book
Golf in the Community	Brentwood	07956 318016	Annvictoriaselby@hotmail.co.uk	Click here to book
Jack of all Sports (Bentley St Pauls)	Brentwood	07919 888093	jackofallsports@btinternet.com	Click here to book
Nuclear Essex (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Brentwood	01277 586734	wildforest@nuclearessex.com	Click here to book
School's Out Activities (Shenfield)	Brentwood	07535 058005	haf@schoolsoutactivities.co.uk	Click here to book
Sports Cool West Essex - Holly Trees	Brentwood	07935 535292	Westessex@sportscool.org	Click here to book

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Castle Point

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
ATF Canvey Island	Castlepoint	N/A	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
Butterflies Club (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Castlepoint	N/A	bookings@butterfliesclub.co.uk	Click here to book
Canvey Island Youth Project (Yellow Door Youth Club) (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Castlepoint	N/A	info@cyp-yellowdoor.org.uk	Click here to book
CPRSSP Canvey Infants	Castlepoint	N/A	management@deanessportscentre.com	Click here to book
CPRSSP The Deans	Castlepoint	N/A	management@deanessportscentre.com	Click here to book
The Future of Sport CIC	Castlepoint	07817 179379	thefutureofsport@icloud.com	Click here to book

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Chelmsford

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
Ace Music Therapy CIC	Chelmsford	N/A	info@acemusictherapy.co.uk	Click here to book
Butterflies Club (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Chelmsford	N/A	bookings@butterfliesclub.co.uk	Click here to book
Chelmsford Sports and Athletics Club (Chelmsford City Council)	Chelmsford	01245 605660	csac@chelmsford.gov.uk	Click here to book
CMXSC	Chelmsford	N/A	admin@cmxsc.co.uk	Click here to book
Essex Boys and Girls Club	Chelmsford	01245 264783	rebeccas@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org	Click here to book
Essex Kids Camp	Chelmsford	07949 436587	info@essexkidscamp.co.uk	Click here to book
Essex Professional Coaching Ltd	Chelmsford	01206 670237	admin@epcoaching.co.uk	Click here to book
Get with the Kids Vibe	Chelmsford	0845 539 0079	info@getwiththekidsvibe.co.uk	Click here to book
Get with the Kids Vibe (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Chelmsford	0845 539 0079	info@getwiththekidsvibe.co.uk	Click here to book
Independence Project (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Chelmsford	01245 939294	kerry@independenceproject.co.uk	Click here to book
Jack of all Sports	Chelmsford	07919 888093	jackofallsports@btinternet.com	Click here to book
JTD Arts Ltd (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Chelmsford	07856 869296	activejtd@hotmail.com	Click here to book

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Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
NeuroEmpower CIC (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Chelmsford	01245 672026	info@neuroempower.org	Click here to book
MiniMe Mindfulness®	Chelmsford	07850 552639	tessa@minimemindfulness.co.uk	Click here to book
Nurture Den Ltd	Chelmsford	07368 658050	Contact@nurtureden.co.uk	Click here to book
Schools Out (King Edwards)	Chelmsford	07535 058005	haf@schoolsoutactivities.co.uk	Click here to book
South Woodham Ferrers Leisure Centre (Chelmsford City Council)	Chelmsford	N/A	swfsportsschool@chelmsford.gov.uk	Click here to book
Sports Cool West Essex	Chelmsford	07935 535292	Westessex@sportscool.org	Click here to book

Colchester

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
Banana Moon (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Colchester	N/A	info@bananamoon-colchester.co.uk	Click here to book
Boys & Men UK Youth Club	Colchester	N/A	info@boysandmen.co.uk	Click here to book
Colchester Anti Loo Roll Brigade Xmas Grotto	Colchester	N/A	info@albcolchester.com	Email to book
Colchester Anti Loo Roll Brigade Wizard Of Oz Experience	Colchester	N/A	info@albcolchester.com	Email to book
Colchester United Community Foundation Colchester Academy / Shrub End	Colchester	01206 755160	cucf@colchesterunited.net	Click here to book
Colchester United Community Foundation Shrub End (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Colchester	01206 755160	cucf@colchesterunited.net	Click here to book
Disability 4 Sport CIC	Colchester	033 090 7075	info@disability4sport.co.uk	Click here to book
Disability 4 Sport CIC (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Colchester	033 090 7075	info@disability4sport.co.uk	Click here to book

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EPC Colchester - Friars Grove / Stanway Fiveways / St Georges	Colchester	01206 670237	admin@epcoaching.co.uk	Click here to book
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs	Colchester	01245 264783	rebeccas@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org	Click here to book
Essex County Council - Family Solutions Colchester	Colchester	N/A	N/A	Click here to book
Get With The Kids VIbe	Colchester	0845 539 0079	info@getwiththekidsvibe.co.uk	Click here to book
Go Bananas Colchester Limited	Colchester	01206 761762	fun@go-bananas.co.uk	Click here to book
Go Bananas Colchester Limited (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Colchester	01206 761762	fun@go-bananas.co.uk	Click here to book
Little Sportsters Coaching (LSC) Rugby Willow Brook	Colchester	N/A	info@lsccoaching.com	Click here to book
Mercury Theatre 12-16 years	Colchester	01206 577006	taking.part@mercurytheatre.co.uk	Click here to book
Mercury Theatre 7-11 years	Colchester	01206 577006	taking.part@mercurytheatre.co.uk	Click here to book
Parents Dream	Colchester	07743 511245	parentsdreamcolchester@gmail.com	Click here to book
School's Out (Creffield Avenue)	Colchester	07535 058005	haf@schoolsoutactivities.co.uk	Click here to book
Simmply Active - Crouch Street / Global Park	Colchester	01206 291 333	hello@simmplyactive.com	Click here to book
Sports Coaching Specialists (SCS) Monkwick/ St Michael's	Colchester	07841 594266	hafprogramme.scs@gmail.com	Click here to book
The Next Chapter	Colchester	01206 500585	info@thenextchapter.org.uk	Email to book
Xtra Time	Colchester	N/A	info@xtratimesport.co.uk	Click here to book
YMCA Essex	Colchester	1245355677	ben.gibbons@ymcaessex.org.uk	Click here to book

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Epping

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
3Food4U - Loughton / Waltham Abbey	Epping	07973 166940	pesh.3food4u@gmail.com	Click here to book
Epping Forest District Council (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Epping			
MRFA Epping St John's	Epping	01371 829 216	info@mrfa.co.uk	Click here to book
Making It Mindful (Grosvenor Hall) / Winter Experience	Epping	07403 821666	milli@makingitmindful.co.uk	Click here to book
Next Thing Education Camps LTD	Epping	01442 873150	N/A	Click here to book
SSS - St John Fisher Academy / Waltham	Epping	1992766707	Info@superstarsport.co.uk	Click here to book
Super Star Sports OEL - Limes Farm	Epping	N/A	N/A	Click here to book
Time for Change Kids Upshire	Epping	N/A	info@timeforchangekids.com	Click here to book

Harlow

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
Changing Lives Community Services Hare St / Mark Hall / Passmores	Harlow	07495 696878	B.Doyle@clcs.org.uk	Click here to book
GJW Sports	Harlow	7519722135	enquiries@gjwsports.co.uk	Click here to book

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Harlow Amateur Boxing Club (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Harlow	778999019	harlowboxingclub@yahoo.co.uk	Click here to book
Harlow Creates	Harlow	01279 431945	harlowcreates@harlow.gov.uk	Email/Phone to book
Making it Mindful (Harlow) / Winter Experience	Harlow	07403 821666	milli@makingitmindful.co.uk	Click here to book
Premier Education Harlow	Harlow	N/A	N/A	Click here to book
Rainbow Children's Corner LTD	Harlow	N/A	N/A	Click here to book
Rainbow Services Winter Mainstream	Harlow	01279 308150	info@rainbowservices.org.uk	Email/Phone to book
Rainbow Services Winter (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Harlow	01279 308150	info@rainbowservices.org.uk	Email/Phone to book
Rosedan Breakfast and Afterschool Club	Harlow	07393 91074	info@rosedanchildcare.co.uk	Click here to book
SportsCool West Essex (St James) / (The Downs)	Harlow	7935535292	Westessex@sportscool.org	Click here to book
SSS Education Group LTD - Pemberley Academy	Harlow	1992766707	Info@superstarsport.co.uk	Click here to book
Strike Academy (Harlow)	Harlow	7877249883	admin@strikeacademy.co.uk	Click here to book
Time for Change Our Lady of Fatima / Winter Experience Party	Harlow	N/A	info@timeforchangekids.com	Click here to book

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Maldon

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
Burnham Ramblers Football Club	Maldon	N/A	secretary@burnhamramblersfc.co.uk	Click here to book
Colchester United Community Foundation All Saints	Maldon	01206 755160	cucf@colchesterunited.net	Click here to book
Essex Kids Camp (Tillingham)	Maldon	07949 436587	info@essexkidscamp.co.uk	Click here to book
Happy Healthy Minds	Maldon	N/A	contact@happyhealthyminds.co.uk	Click here to book
Little Sportsters Coaching - Heybridge/Maldon/Maylandsea	Maldon	N/A	info@lsccoaching.com	Click here to book
Maldon Gymnastics Club	Maldon	N/A	N/A	Click here to book

Rochford

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
ATF (Great Wakering)	Rochford	N/A	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book
Butterflies Hockley (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Rochford	N/A	bookings@butterfliesclub.co.uk	Click here to book
Golf in the community - Greensward	Rochford	7956318016	Annvictoriaselby@hotmail.co.uk	Click here to book
Everyone Active (Clements Hall)	Rochford	N/A	N/A	Click here to book

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Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
Jack Of All Sports (Grove Wood Primary School)	Rochford	07919 888093	jackofallsports@btinternet.com	Click here to book
Mushroom Theatre (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Rochford	01268 906470 07985 422485	info@mushroomtheatre.co.uk	Click here to book
Oxygen ActivePlay Rayleigh	Rochford	7570685448	RayleighHAF@oxygenfreejumping.co.uk	Click here to book
Silverbirch Animal Therapy & Winter Experience	Rochford	7534454858	silverbirchanimaltherapy@gmail.com	Click here to book
Southend United - Clements Hall Leisure Centre	Rochford	01702 341351	d.king@southendunited-cet.co.uk	Click here to book
The Megacentre Rayleigh	Rochford	N/A	Holidayclub@megacentrerayleigh.co.uk	Click here to book

Tendring

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
BWild Adventures	Tendring	7772888407	info@bwildadventures.co.uk	Click here to book
Child & Provide CIC Clacton, Jaywick and St Osyth	Tendring	7730040559	Info@childprovideactive.co.uk	Click here to book
Colchester United Community Foundation St Clares	Tendring	01206 755160	cucf@colchesterunited.net	Click here to book
Essex Elite Thrive / Thrive	Tendring	7498427894	thrive-bac@outlook.com	Click here to book
EPC Clacton - Whitehall Academy	Tendring	01206 670237	admin@epcoaching.co.uk	Click here to book

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GB Fitness The Lighthouse / Parkeston	Tendring	07403 316735	gbfitness@mail.com	Click here to book
GB Fitness The Lighthouse Harwich and Dovercourt Rugby (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Tendring	07403 316735	gbfitness@mail.com	Click here to book
Mistley Kids Club	Tendring	7809176252	Hello@mistleykidsclub.co.uk	Click here to book
Rumble Tumble Mainstream	Tendring	01255 799495	rumbletumble44@yahoo.com	
Rumble Tumble (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Tendring	01255 799495	rumbletumble44@yahoo.com	
The Ark Family Resource Centre Mainstream	Tendring	1255502063	nursery@thearkcentregroup.co.uk	Click here to book
The Ark Family Resource Centre (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Tendring	1255502063	nursery@thearkcentregroup.co.uk	Click here to book
The Holiday Club	Tendring	7920063624	theholidayclub2022@gmail.com	Click here to book
Tiny rugby School - Navigator Hall / Spring Meadow	Tendring	7462 045519	tinyrugbyschool@gmail.com	Click here to book
Tiny rugby School - Spring Meadow SEND	Tendring	7462 045519	tinyrugbyschool@gmail.com	Click here to book

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Uttlesford

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Epping Forest District Council - West Essex Inclusion (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Uttlesford			
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs Uttlesford	Uttlesford	01245 264783	essex@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org	Click here to book
Kidzactive	Uttlesford	N/A	info@kidzactive.co.uk	Click here to book
M.R.F.A. Great Dunmow	Uttlesford	01371 829216	info@mrfa.co.uk	Click here to book
Reach Group Community Projects	Uttlesford	N/A	info@reachcommunityprojects.co.uk	Email to book
SportsCool West Essex (Dunmow St Mary's)	Uttlesford	7935535292	Westessex@sportscool.org	Click here to book
Sting Performing Arts	Uttlesford	07903 192094	hello@stingperformingarts.com	Click here to book
Strike Academy (St Lukes)	Uttlesford	7877249883	admin@strikeacademy.co.uk	Click here to book
Whipper-snappers	Uttlesford	01371 821131	info@whipper-snappers.co.uk	Click here to book

Thurrock

Club Name/Organisation	Location	Contact Number	Contact Email	Booking Link/Details
AQ Basketball	Thurrock	N/A	aqbasket@gmail.com	Click here to book
Arts Outburst Primary / Secondary	Thurrock	01375 386247	marcia@artsoutburst.co.uk	Click here to book
ATF Southend (Thurrock)	Thurrock	7368247656	srobinson@atfcommunity.com	Click here to book

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Thurrock

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Camp 4 Champs (Thurrock)	Thurrock	2081030101	bookings@camp4champs.co.uk	Click here to book
Essex Boys and Girls Clubs (Thurrock) Brisbane House / Chadwell St Mary / Seabrook Rise	Thurrock	01245 264783	rebeccas@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org	Click here to book
GOLF IN THE COMMUNITY (Thurrock)	Thurrock	7956318016	Annvictoriaselby@hotmail.co.uk	Click here to book
Grangewaters Outdoor Education Centre	Thurrock	01708 855228	wwarman@thurrock.gov.uk	Click here to book
HCL Activity Camps Limited	Thurrock	07778 874029	info@hollowaycoaching.co.uk	Click here to book
JTD Arts LTD	Thurrock	7856869296	activejtd@hotmail.com	Click here to book
JTD Arts LTD (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Thurrock	7856869296	activejtd@hotmail.com	Click here to book
Legends Learning Centre	Thurrock	2070469393	info@legendslearningcentre.com	Click here to book
Legends Learning Centre (SEND CHILDREN ONLY)	Thurrock	2070469393	info@legendslearningcentre.com	Click here to book
Malearn Limited	Thurrock	2080641145	info@malearn.co.uk	Click here to book
Prosports Holdings Ltd	Thurrock	01268 955000	info@prosports-solutions.co.uk	Click here to book
Rise Sports Ltd	Thurrock	07713 030629	info@risesportsltd.com	Click here to book
The Future of Sport CIC	Thurrock	00086 164218	thefutureofsport@icloud.com	Click here to book
The PE Specialists Ltd	Thurrock	020 8057 8911	hello@pespecialists.co.uk	Click here to book

Essex ActivAte HAF Holiday Booking Terms and Conditions

- Free Essex ActivAte places are only available to children who meet the Targeted Free School Meals eligibility criteria. Not all children receiving Free School Meals will be eligible.
- If you are unsure about your child's eligibility, please contact your school or local authority before booking.
- If you have any questions about a specific club, activity or booking, please contact the club provider directly using the details provided.
- If your child can no longer attend, please notify the club as soon as possible so the place can be offered to another family.
- Parents and carers must provide accurate booking, medical, dietary and emergency contact information.
- Children are expected to attend all booked sessions and behave respectfully towards staff, volunteers and other participants.
- Activities, dates, venues and session times may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.
- Clubs reserve the right to amend or cancel sessions where necessary.
- By booking a place, parents and carers agree to these terms and conditions.

Learn more about half term programmes here:
activeessex.org/children-young-people/essex-activate/essex-activate-haf-programme

For more information or support, email:
haf@activeessex.org

