Hounslow is participating in the national Holiday Activities and Food Programme 2021 funded by the Department of Education.

We are preparing a remote programme of activities and food for the Easter holidays for all children and young people eligible for benefits-related Free School Meals.

With the lifting of COVID restrictions, we would also like to scope the possibility of a funded face-to-face offer consisting of:

* 4 half day sessions or 2 full day sessions per child (aged 5-16) between 1st and 16th April 2021
* Sessions which would ideally include: one or more physical activities per day per child, one or more additional enriching activities per day per child, and one healthy snack per day per child (full meal if proposing a full day session)

We are running an initial survey of our existing Hounslow holiday providers to find out how many places we might have available for children and young people during the Easter holiday. We will be using this information to consider:

* Whether a face-to-face programme is viable to deliver
* Where our available places are and how this compares with the location of our eligible children and young people
* How we can best distribute funding within the parameters of our budget

We will then be in touch regarding next steps.

**Invitation to Register Interest**

**How to Register Interest**

If you could open at Easter and would like to express interest in participating in the programme, please complete our survey.

If you are not sure whether your provision meets the criteria but are still interested in the programme, please do complete our survey and we will consider your offer.

Please note that completing the survey does not guarantee your participation in the programme; neither does it commit you to any plans. It is an expression of interest only at this stage.

Further context information on the DfE Holiday Activities and Food programme is available [here](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/holiday-activities-and-food-programme/holiday-activities-and-food-programme-2021).

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**Could you support the Hounslow Holiday Activities and Food Programme by providing funded Easter places for children eligible for Free School Meals?**