

## MK HAF Spring and Easter Holidays

What is the HAF Spring Holiday Activities and Food programme?

A range of free activities and food for school aged children, young people from 4 – 16 years who are in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals (FSM) to access from 7 – 10 April 2026.

From fun activities to multi sports camps, teen basketball camps, outdoor adventures, football camps, film making, youth sessions, arts, and crafts and more, we hope there is something for everyone. Across Milton Keynes, there are 7,000 individual sessions planned for the 2026 Spring Holidays. To book your activities, simply browse the programme and contact your chosen providers through the [online booking system](https://eequ.org/hafmiltonkeynes).  
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Children and Family Centres servicing all of Milton Keynes will be delivering all-inclusive family HAF trips for children in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals (FSM) to their reach areas and can be found on the booking system [HAF Milton Keynes : Eequ](https://eequ.org/hafmiltonkeynes).  
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Please book with the centre that covers the area where you live, further information can be found on the [Children and Family Centre services web page](https://www.milton-keynes.gov.uk/children-young-people-and-families/family-centres).

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## The White Paper - SEND reform proposals, the implications and next steps.

Monday 30 March, 7pm - 8:15pm via Zoom

Join this free webinar delivered by I.P.S.E.A (Independent Provider of Special Education Advice). The session will explain the government's SEND "white paper" — an official document that sets out proposed changes to the law, policy, and support systems for children and young people with SEND. These proposals could shape how support is provided in education, health, and care services in the future.

The webinar will provide clear, accessible guidance on what the proposals might mean for children and young people with SEND, including potential changes to Education, Health and Care Plans (EHCPs) and access to support. It will also explain how you can take part in the consultation process by sharing your views and experiences with the Department for Education.

This session is relevant for parents, carers, young people, and professionals who want to better understand the proposed changes and have their voice heard.

More information and to book your place  
<https://www.ipsea.org.uk/webinar-schools-white-paper>

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# Falconhurst School

## SEND



March 2026

# Update from MK SEND Local Offer - Short Breaks

An update from Milton Keynes Local Offer regarding Short Breaks:

## Short Breaks (EHCP+) – From April 2026

From April 2026, Short Breaks for children and young people with an Education, Health and Care Plan (EHCP) will become EHCP+. This updated offer provides enriching, interest-led activities that support independence, confidence, and social skills in a safe environment.

## Why the change?

Feedback from families showed the current model isn't flexible enough and doesn't always meet children's needs. Demand has also increased, so the service is being redesigned to offer more high-quality, supported activities, including independent sessions that build life skills and give families valuable time.

## What is EHCP+?

EHCP+ is a programme of drop-off sessions focused on skill-building, social interaction, and inclusion in community settings.

## Who can access it?

- Children and young people aged 4–19
- With a current EHCP

## How to book

Sessions will be booked via EEQU. From 30 March, browse and book at:

<https://eequ.org/miltonkeynescitycouncilehcp>

# KS2 SATS SEND

KS2 SATs 2026: What parents need to know if you have a child with SEND:

Department for Education (DfE) have published information for parents on Education Hub about what they need to know for SATs this year. This includes useful dates and answers to questions they may have.

<https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2026/03/ks2-sats-2026-what-parents-need-to-know/>

For more information on the tests and what the results mean, the Standards and Testing Agency has published leaflets for parents which will provide additional details about the tests and results process:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/key-stage-2-national-curriculum-tests-and-results-information-for-parents>

# Support Available To Families

- SEND Information, Advice and Support Service (SENDIAS) - Confidential advice for families about SEND and EHC plans.
  - Phone: 01908 254518 (Mon-Fri, 10am-3pm)
  - Email: [contact@mksendias.org.uk](mailto:contact@mksendias.org.uk)
  - Website: MK SENDIAS
- Family Support Hubs - Support for families with significant needs, including SEND.
  - Website: Family Support Hubs | Milton Keynes City Council
- Supporting Families Programme- Whole-family support to prevent escalation to statutory services.
  - Phone: 01908 253519
  - Email: [strengtheningfamilies@milton-keynes.gov.uk](mailto:strengtheningfamilies@milton-keynes.gov.uk)
  - Website: Supporting Families | Milton Keynes City Council
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Young people can access crisis mental health support through:

CAMHS Crisis Line (24/7 Crisis Support): 0800 0234 650

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For urgent situations, attend A&E

Please note: there is no longer a drop-in at the Eaglestone Health Centre.