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Ad-hoc Notice Holiday Activities and Food: 2018 programme

**Management information on attendees in
summer 2018**

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Holiday Activities and Food: 2018 programme

Funding was provided in 2018 to seven organisations, following a competitive tendering process, to fund provision to support disadvantaged families during the school holidays. The £2 million investment went towards new and existing holiday clubs to explore how best to help the most disadvantaged children benefit from healthy meals and enriching activities. As part of the programme, each of the seven organisations that received funding were required to provide management information about the attendance at the clubs supported by the funded organisations.

The seven parent organisations to whom funding was provided in 2018 were:

- Accord Housing Association - Birmingham Holiday Kitchen
- Children North East
- Family Action
- Feeding Britain
- OnSide Youth Zones
- StreetGames
- Transforming Lives for Good (TLG)

Methodology

Each holiday club returned, via its parent funded organisation, the attendance of each child that attended across the days that the club operated. The number of operating days that each club ran varied between clubs and parent organisations. Only attendees present for at least one day were included.

The characteristics of attendees were also provided by the clubs. The characteristic information is only indicative, due to the self-reported nature of this information (by attendee or a responsible party such as a parent, guardian or club) and a large proportion of unstated and unknown responses. No personal identifying information was collected, so additional corroboration of characteristics from other department held sources was not possible.

Collation of the attendance returns was completed within the department. Returns were provided in various formats and substantial data cleaning was undertaken. Consistency checks (such as ensuring attendance of an individual was not greater than the number of sessions held by the club) were completed. The approach taken for any inconsistencies was to take a minimum possible interpretation (for example, an individual cannot attend more than the number of sessions held by the club and only include attendance for sessions held). Duplicate returns were not included. Returns accurate as of 6th November 2018.

Key findings

- The seven organisations supported the delivery of 283 new and existing holiday clubs, which together had a total of 3,649 sessions¹.
- The number of children recorded as attending at least one session was 18,200.
- The percentage of children attending more than one session was 71%, while the percentage of children attending more than 50% of sessions operated by the club was 25%.
- Forty-nine percent of attendees were recorded as receiving Free School Meals (FSM)², but the true percentage could be higher as 24% of attendees had a recorded FSM status of 'not stated' or 'not known'.
- Of the 18,200 children recorded as attending, 49% were recorded as primary phase (year 1 to year 6), 19% as secondary phase (year 7 to year 11), 14% as pre-year 1 and 2% in post-16 education (year 12 to year 14). A further 15% did not state or know their school year group.

¹ A session is defined as a day that the club opened and received attendees.

² Not all children attending clubs will have been eligible to receive FSM (for example, some very young children)

Table 1: Holidays Activities and Food: Attendance management information for the seven funded organisations.

	Total	Accord Birmingham Holiday Kitchen	Children North East	Family Action	Feeding Britain (1)	OnSide Youth Zones	StreetGames	TLG
Number of clubs	283	33	16	38	73	10	60	53
Total number of days operating across all clubs	3,649	421	273	549	836	329	831	410
Average number of days operating between clubs (2)	13	13	17	14	12	33	14	8
Number of children attending at least one day	18,200	1,700	600	2,400	6,900	1,900	2,600	2,000
Total number of recorded attendances	95,400	7,600	7,200	9,400	27,600	16,700	20,400	6,500
Number of children attending at least one day recorded as school age (3)	12,500	700	500	1,500	4,400	1,700	2,500	1,200
Percentage of children attending at least one day recorded as school age (3)	69%	38%	91%	63%	63%	89%	95%	61%
Number of children attending more than one session	13,000	1,200	600	1,500	4,300	1,700	2,300	1,400
Percentage of children attending more than one session	71%	68%	98%	65%	62%	90%	87%	68%
Number of children attending more than 50% of sessions	4,500	400	400	400	1,400	200	1,000	600
Percentage of children attending more than 50% of sessions	25%	25%	71%	17%	20%	13%	37%	30%

1. Of the 73 clubs from Feeding Britain, attendance records were not provided for 4 clubs and 490 children. Characteristics and attendance breakdowns for these children are not provided. The 490 children were included as 'not known' for the breakdowns in this table.

2. Average number of days operating for clubs supported by Feeding Britain only included the 69 clubs with attendance information.

3. The children identified as school age includes children recorded with a school year of year 1 to year 11. Those with 'not stated' or 'not known' school year were included in the denominator for the percentage calculated.

Number of children rounded to nearest 100 and percentage of children rounded to nearest whole number. Aggregations and percentages calculated using unrounded figures.

Table 2: Holidays Activities and Food: Characteristics of attendees recorded by clubs for the seven funded organisations.

	Total	Accord Birmingham Holiday Kitchen	Children North East	Family Action	Feeding Britain (1)	OnSide Youth Zones	StreetGames	TLG
Number of children:	18,200	1,700	600	2,400	6,900	1,900	2,600	2,000
Free School Meals (FSM) (2)								
Receiving FSM	8,900	700	400	1,100	3,100	1,100	1,100	1,300
Not receiving FSM	4,900	1,100	200	400	1,800	800	400	300
Not stated/not known	4,500	0	0	900	2,100	0	1,100	400
School Phase								
Pre-Year 1 (3)	2,600	900	100	300	1,000	0	0	300
Primary Key stage 1 (4)	2,500	200	100	500	1,100	0	100	400
Primary Key stage 2 (4)	6,400	300	300	800	2,300	1,100	1,000	700
Secondary (5)	3,500	100	100	200	900	600	1,400	200
Post-16 (6)	300	0	0	0	0	100	100	0
Not stated/not known	2,800	100	0	500	1,500	100	0	500
Percentage of children:								
Free School Meals (FSM) (2)								
Receiving FSM	49%	39%	72%	47%	45%	58%	42%	66%
Not receiving FSM	27%	61%	28%	15%	26%	42%	16%	16%
Not stated/not known	24%	0%	0%	39%	30%	0%	42%	19%
School Phase								
Pre-Year 1 (3)	14%	55%	9%	14%	15%	0%	0%	12%
Primary Key stage 1 (4)	14%	13%	24%	20%	17%	2%	4%	20%
Primary Key stage 2 (4)	35%	18%	48%	33%	33%	58%	37%	34%
Secondary (5)	19%	8%	19%	10%	13%	30%	54%	7%
Post-16 (6)	2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	7%	4%	0%
Not stated/not known	15%	7%	0%	23%	22%	4%	0%	26%

1. Of the 73 clubs from Feeding Britain, attendance records were not provided for 4 clubs and 490 children. Characteristics and attendance breakdowns for these children are included in this table as not known.

2. Not all children attending clubs will have been eligible to receive FSM (for example, some very young children)
3. Pre-Year 1 children are children aged 0 to 5, including those attending reception.
4. Primary aged children are a combination of Key stage 1 (year 1 and 2) and Key stage 2 (year 3, 4, 5 and 6).
5. Secondary aged children are a combination of year 7 to year 11.
6. Those in post-16 education have a school year of year 12, 13 or 14.

Number of children rounded to nearest 100 and percentage of children rounded to nearest whole number. Aggregations and percentages calculated using unrounded numbers.



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