

All Star Activities Holiday Camp

Activity Camp - Christmas 2023 (NY '24)

Please read through all of the information carefully.

Venue

Holmer Academy, Holmer Road, Hereford, HR4 9RX

Camp Contact Number

Please ensure you have the camp number saved on your phone:

07931 453 138 Holmer Academy

This phone is only active during camp hours, but you can leave a voicemail ready for the next day. You can also email book.allstars@gmail.com

Camp Timings

Times: The camp doors will open at 8.10am and close again at 5.00pm. The main camp runs between 9.00am and 4.00pm.

If you have not booked for early drop off, please don't arrive before 8.50am. Early drop off can be booked on the day for £1 per child per day.

If you are likely to be later than 5pm please call ahead. We operate a 5 minute grace period. At 5.05pm the charge will be £5 per child, per 10 minutes. We ideally don't want to use this so please don't be late.

My booking

You can access the dates you have booked through your ClassForKids account or the email confirmation. Please make sure you have a record of the right dates and venue.

Start and End of Day

Parking: For **Holmer Academy** you are able to park in the trading estate car parks and walk across to Holmer Academy using the pedestrian crossing. The main car park will only be for staff as they will already be parked before children arrive.

Entering the school: Please use the main entrance when dropping off your children.

Parents are not permitted inside the school building; please prepare your children (and yourselves) for this. Please do not hang around after drop off as this will cause congestion and reduce our capacity to adequately socially distance ourselves.

Drop off is strictly between 8.10am and 9.00am, unless there is an exceptional circumstance; we do not have the usual flexibility to leave a member of staff on the

‘door’. If you are likely to drop off after 9am please send a text message through to inform us. **Please be aware that during a trip day we often leave by 9.10am.**

Collection: Everyone will need to be signed out by a designated collector before we can release any child. Between 4pm and 4.10pm, collection will be in the school playground; accessed through the black gates opposite the car park entrance. Between 4.10pm and 5pm, collection will be from the main school reception.

Settling in worries

Shy children, those in reception/year 1 or those that have not been to us before may feel anxious, as might you, and dropping them off without settling them in or seeing them sitting with peers may seem daunting. Rest assured that this is something we always talk about during our staff training and have given extra time this year to consider and action what we can do with the additional anxiety children might be feeling. If you have any additional concerns please make sure they are written up in your child’s profile or you speak to their group leaders.

Child Profiles

If you have not already completed it, you will need to complete the online ‘child profile’ which can be found under the holiday camp menu on the All Star Activities website.

Child Profiles give your group leaders an insight into your child and lets them know if they need to watch out for anything or whether your child reacts well or poorly to certain situations. The profiles are also where we keep in depth details about medical requirements or allergy information.

If you have completed your child’s profile but something has changed please ask to update your form.

We require permission using this form for trips and applying sun cream - if you have not done the form, your child will not be able to go on trips.

www.allstarcamps.co.uk/child-profile

You are able to view your child’s profile at any stage, please ask your Group Leader during drop off so they can have it ready for you during collection.

Reception aged children

Those in reception class will have a key worker assigned to them. Key workers for the summer holidays will be Helena and Maddie. They will pass on additional information to the Camp Manager each day based on the Early Years Foundation Stage criteria, which will be sent to you. This is to support them and give you an oversight into how your child is doing at camp. If you would like to discuss anything with them, they will be available at the end of each day.

Ofsted

Inspection: Please be aware that as an Ofsted registered camp we can be inspected - our last inspection was in February 2023 where we achieved the MET outcome. Inspections should not cause any disruption to the day although both you and your child may be asked to provide feedback.

Policies: If you would like to see any of our policies, including our complaints policy please speak to your Group Leader during collection.

All Stars at Holmer - setting number 2598085

Staff Structure

During the Christmas holidays the management team includes Ryan and Amy. The Reception to Year 2 group will have three members of staff with them, the Year 3 to 5 group will have 2 members of staff and the Year 6 to 8 group will have 1 member of staff. The overall staff to child ratio across the camp is 1:10. You can see the staff profiles on the Xmas camp 2023 information document online.

Outstanding balances

If you have an outstanding balance, please be aware that your place will be cancelled on Tuesday 2nd January unless paid.

Things you need to know

What to bring: All children need lunch (unless booked with us) and a sports bottle (not a screw cap as these often get spilt). Children need to be in active wear with trainers or other sturdy footwear. Your child should have a jacket or coat - please name this prior to sending them in. On hot and sunny days, you will need to apply sun cream to your child prior to the day and send them in with sun cream and sun hat.

On Friday 5th January we will be hosting our Friday Party, where children can dress up in their in some bright colours as we celebrate the New Year.

Lunches: Lunches are available to book until Saturday 30th January. We have a selection of hot and cold meals at a cost of £3.50.

Electronics: Please be aware that we will not be permitting the use of electronic devices during the holiday camps. These devices can carry a safeguarding risk as well as cause arguments. During down time we have a variety of board games, colouring activities and table sports.

Lost Property: Please label all items of clothing likely to be removed during the day. Any unnamed or unclaimed items of clothing will be donated to charity. We will keep all named items until the following camp.

Programme

The programme for the Activity Camp is available on the parent guide section of the website.

Infectious diseases

Please do not send your child to camp if they have norovirus, coronavirus or any other infectious disease. Our illness policy is the same as most schools with set time frames in between a bout of illness and when a child can return to camp.