# **King Athelstan Primary School**

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#### Dear Families,

Last year King Athelstan children took part in the TCS Mini London Marathon. It was lovely to see **81** children cross the finish line. King Athelstan had the third highest number of finishers which is a remarkable achievement.

We have the wonderful opportunity to enter the TCS London Mini Marathon again this year. This event is held on **Saturday 20**<sup>th</sup> **April**, the day before the TCS London Marathon. The children have the opportunity to run 1 mile or 2.6km and every child that



crosses the finish line will raise  $\underline{\mathbf{£10}}$  for our school. The route passes Horse Guards Parade and Buckingham Palace, finishing on The Mall.

## **Events/timings**

- Reception Y6 = 1 mile run (1.6k) waves set off between 11:00am -2:00pm (based on last year's timing)
- Y4-Y6 = 2.6km waves set off between 10:00am-11:00am (based on last year's timing)

\*Exact times to be confirmed in the run-up to the event.

#### A few things to note

- free to enter
- adults can take part if the participants need support on the route
- if your child is in Reception Y2 they must be accompanied by an adult. It is fine for other
  families to run with your child, however, you must organise this between each other. It is
  not the school's responsibility. London Marathon Events have confirmed the ratio is one
  adult to every eight children.
- children in **Y3-Y6** can run on their own and can be collected from a safe and secure area at the finish line. The option is there should you want to run with them.
- you are responsible for bringing your child to and from London. It is not an official school trip.
- I will be there on the day to provide support to the children. I look forward to seeing them as they make their way through the streets of London!

## Financial reward

As detailed above, any child who crosses the line will earn £10 for the school. This is courtesy of the sponsor, TCS. This will support the Outdoor Learning Environment and other resources in the school. It would be great to get as many children as possible attending this event.











## Further information/meeting points

The following information can be found online:

- Two routes a one-mile route (1.6k) and a 2.6k route
- Keep everyone safe information please pay particular attention to this section

https://www.tcslondonmarathon.com/the-event/tcs-mini-london-marathon

Please also refer to TCS Mini London Marathon Frequently Asked Questions at the bottom of the page, it answers all the questions you are likely to have e.g. start line, medical conditions, safety etc.

## **Expression of Interest**

Please complete the Google form below if you are interested, and only if you will be able to attend. Places will be allocated using this data on a first come, first served basis. We have the following places available:-

50 places in the 1 mile run + 50 adult places

50 places in the 2.6km + 50 adult places

The deadline for completing the form is Wednesday 13th March 2024

We will let you know if you were successful. If you do not hear from us via email by Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March, then you were not successfully on this occasion.

https://forms.gle/dP4n7skKGw3y2aqp6

#### TCS London Marathon - Barbara Favretti and Jack Morris

Finally, two of our colleagues will be running the London Marathon on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April. I am sure you will join me in wishing both Barbara Favretti (Nursery Nurse and two-year-old lead) and Jack Morris (Y5 - Dali class teacher) the best of luck. They have the support from the children, staff and school community.

Your sincerely,

Darren Mc Laughlin

PE Coordinator