



EVENT GUIDE

Saturday 25 April 2026

#WeRunTogether

BEFORE THE BIG DAY

Here's what participants will receive from us in the run-up to the event, and what they need to bring with them on the day...



TEACHER INFORMATION

Your Event Pack will be sent to the address you provided when you registered for the event.

It will include participant running bibs and wristbands, and info flyers for parents and guardians.

Only adults with Accompanying Adult bibs will be allowed into the Start Pens and on the course. Accompanying adult bibs will be given in this ratio to schools dependant on the amount of places they have:

One adult to one child in the one-mile distance.
One adult to two children in the 2.6K distance.

These bibs are for the school to allocate.

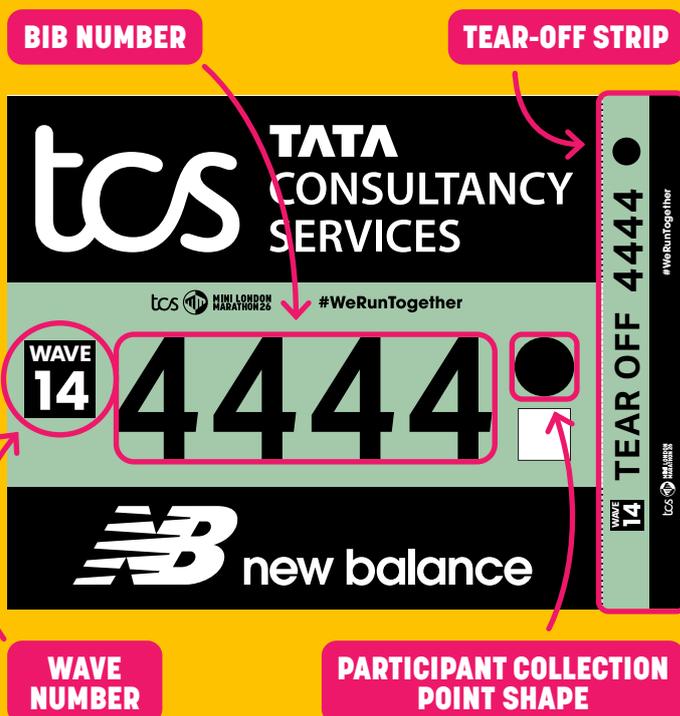
PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION

The contact and medical information on the reverse of the bib and wristband must be completed and worn by the participant.

The tear-off strip on the side of the bib, showing the duplicate bib number, must be removed and kept with you to gain access to the Collection Points.

To avoid overcrowding, only one adult/guardian per participant may access the Collection Points. The adult must show the tear-off strip to be granted access.

The tear-off strip shows the colour and shape of the corresponding Collection Point where the participant will be waiting after the event.



WHAT TO WEAR

Participants should arrive 'ready to run' in their kit.

We recommend: **trainers, shorts or tracksuit bottoms and a T-shirt with the bib number pinned to the front.**

START TIMES

The event timetables are shown below. Match the wave number displayed on each participant bib with the arrival and start time.

Participants should arrive in the Assembly Area at Horse Guards Parade 30 minutes before their start time, no earlier.



2.6K

Wave	Start Time	Age Group
11	10:00	Y4 - 12
12	10:08	Y4 - 12
13	10:16	Y4 - 12
14	10:38	Y4 - 12
15	10:46	Y4 - 12
16	10:54	Y4 - 12
17	11:16	Y4 - 12
18	11:24	Y4 - 12
19	11:32	Y4 - 12
20	11:54	Y4 - 12
21	12:02	Y4 - 12
22	12:10	Y4 - 12

ONE MILE

Wave	Start Time	Age Group
23	12:40	Rec - Y7
24	12:50	Rec - Y7
25	13:00	Rec - Y7
26	13:10	Rec - Y7
27	13:20	Rec - Y7
28	13:30	Rec - Y7
29	13:40	Rec - Y7
30	13:50	Rec - Y7
31	14:00	Rec - Y7
32	14:10	Rec - Y7
33	14:20	Rec - Y7
34	14:30	Rec - Y7
35	14:40	Rec - Y7
36	14:50	Rec - Y7
37	15:00	Rec - Y7
38	15:10	Rec - Y7
39	15:20	Rec - Y7
40	15:30	Rec - Y7
41	15:40	Rec - Y7
42	15:50	Rec - Y7
43	16:00	Rec - Y7
44	16:10	Rec - Y7

DROPPING OFF PARTICIPANTS

All children should be dropped at the Start Pens in Horse Guards Parade. After drop off, parents/guardians who are not accompanying them on the route or collecting them at the Finish Area can head to the suggested spectator points.



COLLECTION

Once you've dropped participants at the Start Pens, please head directly to the Participant Collection area, located 300m north of Horse Guards Parade. This ensures a smooth and safe reunion after the event. Have the side stripe of your child's running bib ready to show to our security for entrance.

Only one adult per participant may access the Collection Points, please arrange a meeting point with the rest of your party. The adult must show the tear-off strip to access the Collections Points.

Please note there is no storage for baggage.

SPECTATOR POINTS

For other supporters the best places to watch are:

Birdcage Walk

450m south of the Start Pen

A great early-course viewing point where supporters can cheer from close range.

Fan Zone & Main Stage

450m west through the park from the Start Pen

Catch the atmosphere, enjoy activities, and watch your loved one cross the Finish Line via live stream on the Main Stage screen.

The Grandstand on The Mall (Ticketed)

880m west through the park from the Start Pen

There is a limited number of seats available and tickets have been sent to participating schools and will not be available on the day. Please ensure you have your ticket for entry. It can take up to 20 minutes to walk to The Grandstand from Horse Guards Parade.

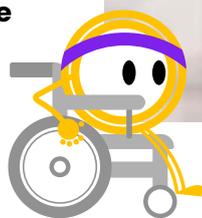
There is no access or viewing at the Finish Line except from the ticketed Grandstand or the screens at the Assembly Area, and Fanzone.

DRINKS

Child participants will receive a bottle of water as they go through the Finish Area. There will be a Water Refill Point in the Start Area.

FAN ZONE MAIN STAGE

This is the best place for supporters to watch their loved ones cross the Finish Line, via a live video stream shown on the Main Stage screen. The championship presentation ceremonies will also take place on the Main Stage. There will be other entertainment throughout the day in the Fan Zone, including fun Peppa Pig activities to try. Be sure to check out The Body Coach craft tent beside the Start Pens.



GETTING TO THE START

The map below shows the routes and important locations, as well as the way to walk from Start to Finish

WHEN TO ARRIVE

Please arrive at the Horse Guards Parade Assembly Area 30 minutes before your start time, no earlier.

This will help prevent crowding and allow time for a warm-up, trips to the toilets and to find the correct Start Pen (where participants will gather before we set them off).



HOW TO GET TO THE ASSEMBLY AREA

Please use public transport to get to us. The Assembly Area is walking distance from several London Underground stations, including Westminster, Charing Cross and St James's Park. Victoria* and Waterloo* stations are 20 to 25 minutes' walk away.

***Victoria and Waterloo both have step-free access.**

tcs **MINI LONDON MARATHON ROUTE MAP**



AT THE FINISH

While our young participants are riding high from their achievement, make sure they know what to do next...

THE FINISH SYSTEM

Once participants have crossed the Finish Line they'll go through the 'finish system', where they'll be rewarded with their medals and a bottle of BUXTON Natural Mineral Water, and directed to the Collection Points.

PARTICIPANT COLLECTION POINT

The Participant Collection Point is located on The Mall. Adults will need to show the tear-off strip from the child's running bib to access the Collection Points. If the adult is running with the child, then **please ensure you have the tear-off strip ready.**

We will keep participants safely in this area until the designated adult collects them. All participants need to be collected – **they will not be allowed to leave the Collection Point on their own.**

Bag checks will be required in this area, so please don't bring in a bag if you don't need to.

COLLECTION COLOURS AND SHAPES

The tear-off strip will show the colour and shape (triangle, circle, rectangle or star) of the corresponding Collection Point that the participant will be in.

Once you have found your participant, show the steward the collection strip so we can safely reunite you. You can exit the Participant Collection Point from the East side of The Mall. We advise choosing a meeting point at either the meeting point area at Admiralty Arch or within St James's Park for the remainder of your party.

MEDALS

All children who finish will receive a TCS Mini London Marathon medal. Medals are limited in number and available for children and young people only – if you are an accompanying adult please do not collect a medal.

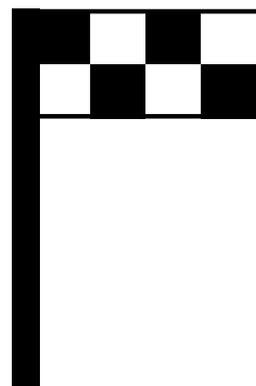
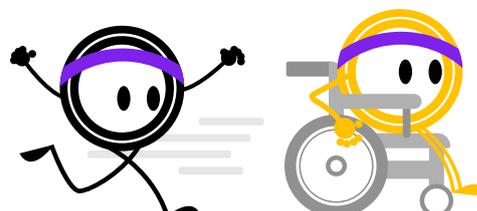
RESULTS

Results will be on the TCS Mini London Marathon website. Please note they will display bib number and time, not individual names – so hang on to your bib numbers if you want to check your times!

Tag us on social media

We love to see you taking part – share your pictures with us on social media:

#minilondonmarathon



SENSORY CALM TENT

The Sensory Calm Tent is available for people who are neurodivergent, or anyone who needs a moment away from the noise. Ear defenders and bean bags will be provided and staff with mental health first aid training will be in the tent.

MULTI-FAITH PRAYER TENT

The Multi-Faith Prayer Tent is open to any religion or for anyone who may need to take time to reflect. Inside, there will be:

- prayer mats
- head coverings (including hijab and kippah)
- prayer dress
- the Bible
- Jewish prayer book
- Quran

PARENT AND CHILD TENT

Also available at Horse Guards Parade will be a purpose-built family area for those with children under five. This will include:

- baby-changing mats
- nappies in various sizes
- microwave
- nappy-changing beds/bench
- highchair for feeding toddlers
- play pen
- nappy sacks
- wet wipes

IMPAIRMENT SPECIFIC BIBS

Participants can choose to collect a bib to attach to their back with the title "Deaf Runner", "Visually Impaired Runner", "Blind Runner" and "Give Me Space". These can be collected at the Information Point.



ADDITIONAL HELP

The TCS Mini London Marathon is for everyone. We encourage any participants in wheelchairs or with other accessibility needs to **arrive to the Start via Admiralty Arch** where our staff can assist with access to our dedicated accessible warm-up area.

If anyone in your party needs additional help on Event Day, please contact us with your request: helpdesk@londonmarathonevents.co.uk

Blue Badge Parking

View this [online map](#) for Blue Badge parking bays near to Green Park and St James's Park. Waterloo Place, Carlton House Terrace and Whitehall Place Blue Badge parking bays will not be available on the day.

Accessible viewing

A live video stream of the Finish Line will be shown on the Main Stage screen in the Fan Zone. This is a great place to watch participants in the event. There is an accessible viewing platform next to The Grandstand.

British Sign Language interpreters will be at the Start Area and in the Fan Zone. Our Fan Zone screen will also be captioned.

PERIOD PRODUCTS

We have a sanitary box available at our Horse Guards Parade Information Point. This is free of charge for anyone who may need it, and contains:

- Vaseline
- deodorant
- tissues
- intimate wipes
- hair bands
- bladder pads
- tampons
- sanitary towels
- sanitary bags
- wet wipes
- hair grips

THANK YOU

Finally, we'd like to say a big thank you for being part of this exciting event. Including a big thank you from Joe Wicks and The Body Coach Foundation!

We hope your children and young people will feel the benefits of being active and develop healthy habits for life – and maybe even become our marathon stars of the future!

We hope to see you again, at the 2027 TCS Mini London Marathon!



If you need any further information, please email helpdesk@londonmarathonevents.co.uk