



Wednesday 9th October 2019

Dear Parents,

**RE: Birmingham Great Run Sunday 13th October 2019**

Thankyou very much for signing up for the Great Birmingham Run this year. You will find some additional information about the event below.

The meeting point will be on Jennes Road by Matthew Boulton College. There are two runs, the Junior and the Mini. We appreciate that the Mini runners may wish to arrive a little later but we will be meeting as per the table below.

The scheduled timetable is currently online (<https://www.greatrun.org/great-birmingham-run/event-info>) as follows:

Time	Simplyhealth Great Birmingham Run - Sunday 13 October
9:15am onwards	Meet by Matthew Boulton College at Jennens Road for a group photo. Many of us will remain in this area until the Mini Run begins at 10:45, especially if you have children in different categories.
9:30am	Warm up area opens - Simplyhealth Junior Great Birmingham Run (9-16 Year olds)
10:00am	Start of the Simplyhealth Junior Great Birmingham Run (9-16 Year olds)
10:15am	Warm up area opens - Simplyhealth Mini Great Birmingham Run (3-8 Year olds)
10:45am	Start of the Simplyhealth Mini Great Birmingham Run (3-8 Year olds)

Pupils will be issued with a Zero Hunger T shirt to wear – this is to raise awareness about the charity and its efforts. Please can the children run wearing this t-shirt.

On Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October, all the pupils who took part can come into school wearing their Birmingham Great Run T-Shirt, medal with appropriate jogging bottoms/leggings and footwear please. We would really like to celebrate their achievements at school on Monday, inspiring other pupils to join in next year.

**Please note that if you registered online after 10am on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October you will need to collect your race pack from the information point on the weekend of the event. The Great Run will have an information marquee in Aston University campus open on: Saturday 12th October 10:00 – 16:00 & Sunday 13th October from 9:00am. Your child will be unable to run without the race number which is in the pack.**

I have added some frequently asked questions, a map and the original run map to this letter. If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to email me.

Kind Regards

Mrs Sembi

## Frequently Asked Questions

### **Q: Will my child receive a T Shirt from Zero Hunger with Langar?**

A: T shirts will be given to all children by Friday at the latest.

### **Q: Where shall we meet?**

A: We will be around Matthew Boulton College Entrance (see map) on Jennens Road from 9:15am onwards. The plan for the day is as below, please note that if your child is in the mini run (ages 3-8) you may wish to arrive around 10am. There is no need to come earlier unless you have older children running in the junior run too.

09:30	Warm up area opens - Simplyhealth Junior Great Birmingham Run (9-16 year olds)
10:00	<b>Start of the Simplyhealth Junior Great Birmingham Run (9-16 year olds)</b>
10:15	Warm up area opens - Simplyhealth Mini Great Birmingham Run (3-8 year olds)
10:45	<b>Start of the Simplyhealth Mini Great Birmingham Run (3-8 year olds)</b>

### **Q: When will the race finish**

A: The Junior Run will finish approx. 10:30am and the Mini Run will be completed around 11:15am. It is important that parents are at the finish line when children complete the run; parents are free to take their children home once the run is over.

### **Q: Do I have to stay with my older child?**

A: No, there's no need to run alongside the over 9's. However, we will cheer them on and be waiting for them at the finish line, which is at the same point as the start line.

### **Q: I registered after 3<sup>rd</sup> October, why do I need to collect my pack?**

A: You must collect your pack from the information point marquee in Aston University Campus. On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October, it will be open between 10-4pm. On Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October they will open from 9am.

Your child requires a run bib/number which is in the pack. They cannot run without it - it should be pinned onto the Zero Hunger with Langar T Shirt with safety pins.

### **Q: What should children wear?**

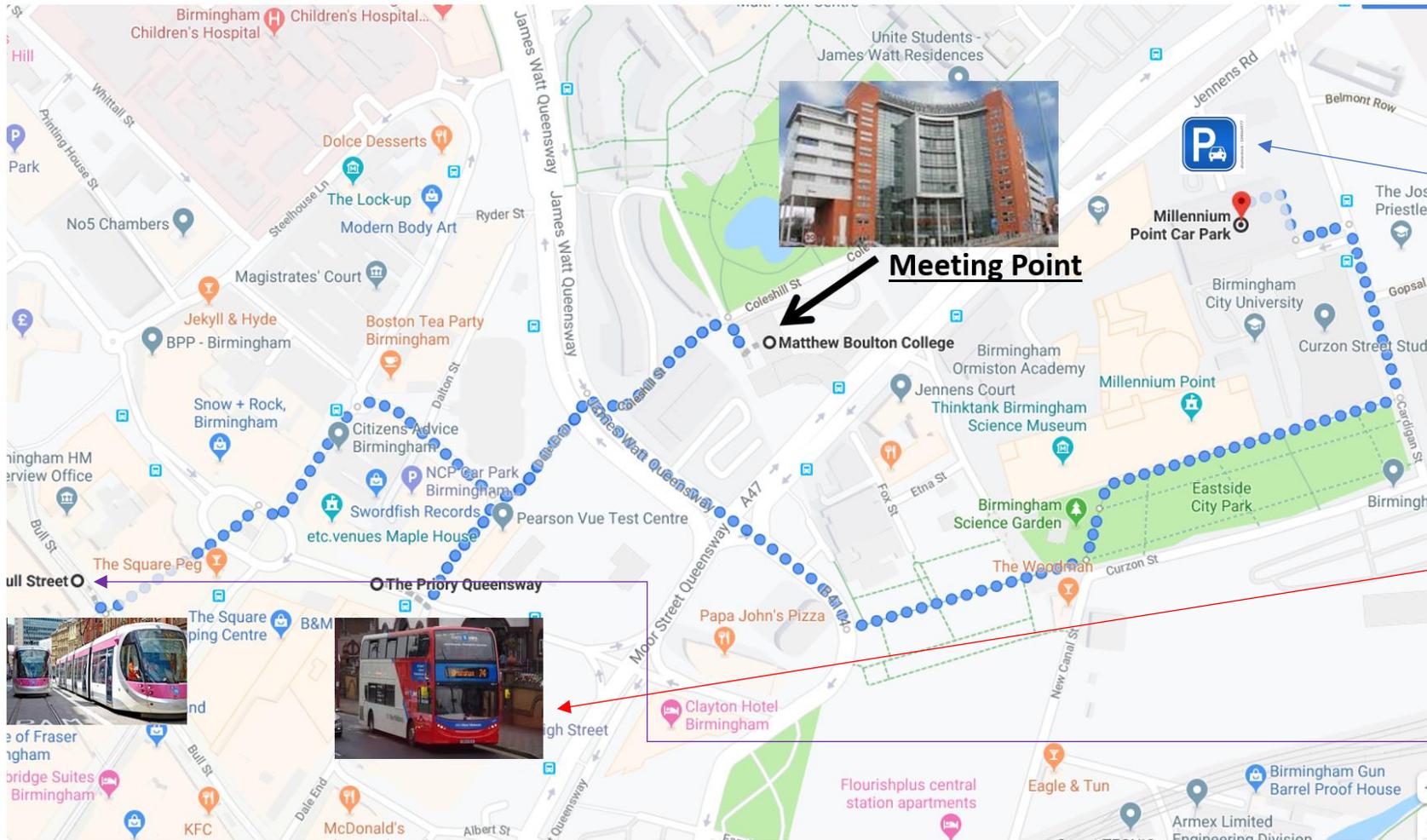
A: The weather forecast predicts light rain as per last year. Trainers are essential as would be a long sleeved top and a water proof jacket. Last year we wore our t-shirts over our jackets.

For after the race please pack your child a warm jumper and bottoms to change into. Children will not feel the cold whilst running but may need a change of clothing once they finish the race.

### **Q: Can I run with my child?**

A: Yes, you may run alongside your child. Your accompanying race bib will be in your child's pack. If you are not going to use it, please still bring it along. We will have other adults who would be happy to join the children on the day.

## Map of area



**Q: Where shall I park? How should we get there?**

**A:**

Car Park - Millennium Point does have a car park, the postcode is B4 7AP. However, there are lots of car parking places in Birmingham City Centre, especially in the Digbeth area.

Buses - There will be some road closures however most buses are running; please see Great Run website for diversions. The Number 16 and 74 buses will stop at Priory Queensway. This will be an 8 minute walk.

Metro - The nearest Metro stop to the end of the route is Bull Street, which is approximately a 10-minute walk away.

## Event Map

The Mini & Junior events start on Jennens Road. Mini runners turn right onto James Watt Queensway and then run through the grounds of Aston University onto Woodcock Street. Once on Woodcock Street they turn right onto Jennens Road before taking a U-turn to the finish.

The Junior route heads out along Moor Street Queensway and into Moor Street before turning back along the same route. Runners then turn left into James Watt Queensway and complete the Mini Run loop.



This is the parking area which was used by many parents last year, It's the millennium Point Car Park and the postcode is B4 7AP.

However, you may also choose to park further out, just please check for road closures in advance.

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