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Dear Parents and Carers

North Leigh School has the opportunity, once again this year, to take part in the Oxford Half Marathon Challenge. The Oxford Schools' Challenge is a youth running programme which is part of the Oxford Half Marathon. The programme gives local primary school children of all abilities their chance to shine on the Oxford Half finish line. The Schools' Challenge is free of charge to all who wish to enter.

Pupils will cover 12.1 miles as part of the school Running Club. The final mile of the challenge takes place on Sunday 11 October 2026 on the Oxford Half Start Line, in the centre of Oxford.

Participants taking part in the Schools' Challenge receive the following:

- A personal race number (no safety pins will be supplied, so please source yourself and pin to the t-shirt chest area)
- A Schools' Challenge t-shirt to wear on race day
- A finisher medal.

Running Club will be taking place on Mondays from **3.10pm- 4.00pm** (please note the finish time) starting on Monday 14 September. We aim to run around 2.5 miles each week- this will take place both in the school grounds and around North Leigh. In order for children to achieve this challenging goal, they will need to attend Running Club every week and must be able to run 2.5 miles. During this first term, Running Club will only be for the children who have signed up to take part in this race.

This term, we have 30 places available for the Running Club for children in years 4,5 and 6. Places must be booked via My Child At School and children must sign up by **Wednesday 9 September**. No late entries will be accepted after this date, as we need to register for the half marathon as soon as possible. An email will be sent to parents on Thursday 10 September confirming your child's place and registration details will then be sent to you. Please note, that children cannot just turn up to Running Club if they are not registered.

Yours faithfully

Miss Cuthbertson and Running Club