







WHAT IS MARATHON FAMILIES?

With schools being closed and people being asked to stay at home except for vital reasons such as exercise it can be difficult to stay active, especially if you have children at home. Why not take this opportunity to challenge your whole family to complete a Marathon together, whether that is all of you doing a marathon each or doing one as a group?

Marathon Families is an adaptation of the extremely popular MarathonKids Programme that is rolled out across Dublin with 5th and 6th Class Children. Over an 8 week period Children complete a full 42kms and a series of in class lessons on the benefits of Sport and Physical Activity.

Marathon Families can be completed in 4 ways:

7 Days a week

The 7 day programme will see participants walking/jogging shorter distances each day of the week over 8 weeks to complete the entire 42km. The 7 day programme is ideal for people starting their fitness journey; we'd encourage you to walk/jog the distances each day

5 Days a week

The 5 day programme will see participants jogging medium length distances 5 days of the week. Like the other options it will take 8 weeks to complete the Marathon. The 5 day programme is aimed at people who are somewhat active and have a history of regular training.

3 Days a week

The 3 day programme targets participants who are active and training regularly. The target is to complete 3 runs a week, the distances range from medium to long and over the 8 weeks you will complete the 42km Marathon.

Express Programme

If your time is limited or you have small children why not do an express version of MarathonFamilies, the Express Version rewards everyone's efforts, whether big or small, by doing a cumulative version amongst your family. So, for example if you decide to do it over a week it is 42km in one week, 2 weeks is 22km per week, 3 weeks is 14km etc etc, tailor it to suit your family's needs.







Speaking about the programme Stephen Mc Ginn said "I'm a massive fan of the MarathonKids programme and it's something that could be in every school in the country. I'd love to see families all over Fingal and indeed Ireland sign up to Marathon Families as it's always easier to exercise with other people rather than on your own. It's great to have a European Indoor Champion in David Gillick on board supporting the new variation of the MarathonKids programme as someone of the stature of David Gillick will only help to highlight the benefits of getting people more active and involved in physical activity."

Mayor of Fingal, Cllr Eoghan O'Brien said "I'd like to commend the Sports Office for all the work they do to promote Sport in the county. Fingal County Council strives to be innovative and at the forefront of Sports Development and this programme is a testament to that. I'd like to take this opportunity to acknowledge MarathonKids Ireland for supporting and assisting our Sports Office in developing this programme which I hope many families will benefit from."

To sign up to the programme go to: https://learning.fingal.ie and go to the 'Be Active at Home' section

DAYS A WEEK

Walking/jogging shorter distances over 8 weeks (Beginners and/or young children)

Week 1	2600M	
Week 2	3800M	
Week 3	5200M	
Week 4	4600M	
Week 5	5300M	
Week 6	6400M	
Week 7	7100M	
Week 8	7200M	
Total		42200M

WEEK 1 DISTANCE		
Day 1	200M	
Day 2	300M	
Day 3	500M	
Day 4	200M	
Day 5	300M	
Day 6	400M	
Day 7	700M	

WEEK	2 DISTANCE
Day 1	300M
Day 2	600M
Day 3	700M
Day 4	400M
Day 5	500M
Day 6	400M
Day 7	700M

WEEK	5 DISTANCE
Day 1	400M
Day 2	700M
Day 3	M008
Day 4	600M
Day 5	M008
Day 6	900M
Day 7	1000M

WEEK 4 DISTANCE		
Day 1	500M	
Day 2	600M	
Day 3	800M	
Day 4	500M	
Day 5	600M	
Day 6	700M	
Day 7	900M	

WEE	5 distance
Day 1	500M
Day 2	600M
Day 3	800M
Day 4	500M
Day 5	600M
Day 6	700M
Day 7	900M

WEE	6 distance
Day 1	700M
Day 2	900M
Day 3	1000M
Day 4	800M
Day 5	900M
Day 6	1000M
Day 7	1100M

WEEK	7 DISTANCE
Day 1	900M
Day 2	900M
Day 3	1000M
Day 4	1200M
Day 5	900M
Day 6	1000M
Day 7	1300M

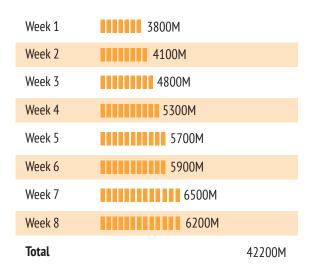
WEEK	8 DISTANCE
Day 1	1000M
Day 2	800M
Day 3	1100M
Day 4	M008
Day 5	1200M
Day 6	M008
Day 7	1500M



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DAYS A WEEK

Medium length distances over 8 weeks (somewhat active/history of regular training)







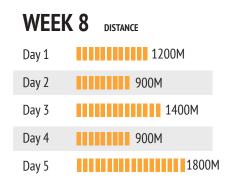
WEE	distance
Day 1	M008
Day 2	900M
Day 3	1000M
Day 4	900M
Day 5	1200M

WEEK 4 DISTANCE		
Day 1	900M	
Day 2	1000M	
Day 3	1100M	
Day 4	900M	
Day 5	1300M	

WEEK 5 DISTANCE		
Day 1	900M	
Day 2	1000M	
Day 3	1300M	
Day 4	1000M	
Day 5	1500M	

WEEK	6 DISTANCE
Day 1	1000M
Day 2	1100M
Day 3	1300M
Day 4	900M
Day 5	1600M

WEEK 7 DISTANCE	
Day 1	1100M
Day 2	1500M
Day 3	900M
Day 4	1300M
Day 5	1700M





J DAYS A WEEK

Medium to long distances over 8 weeks (active and training regularly)

Week 1	3800M	
Week 2	4200M	
Week 3	4800M	
Week 4	5000M	
Week 5	5700M	
Week 6	5900M	
Week 7	6500M	
Week 8	6300M	
Total		42200M

WEEK 1 DISTANCE

Day 1	1000M	
Day 2	1200M	
Day 3	1600M	

WEEK 2 DISTANCE

Day 1	1000M	
Day 2	1400M	
Day 3	1800M	

WEEK 3 DISTANCE

Day 1	1200M	
Day 2	1600M	
Day 3	2000M	

WEEK 4 DISTANCE

Day 1	1300M
Day 2	1600M
Day 3	2100M

WEEK 5 DISTANCE

Day 1	1500M
Day 2	1900M
Day 3	2300M

WEEK 6 DISTANCE

Day 1	1400M
Day 2	2000M
Day 3	2500M

WEEK 7 DISTANCE

Day 1	1500M
Day 2	2200M
Day 3	2800M

WEEK 8 DISTANCE

Day 1	1300M
Day 2	2000M
Day 3	3000M

