

The Tale of

**North  
London  
Hospice**



# BIG FUN WALK 2026

## Map and Directions



**START**



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Walking to raise funds for North London Hospice

 Registered with  
**FUNDRAISING  
REGULATOR**

The **Light Blue Line** is the regular route and the **Dark Blue Line** highlights the wheelchair accessible route. If you are a wheelchair user, please ask one of our volunteers at East Finchley to collect your registration and lunch from Cherry Tree Wood.

### For Our Little Adventurers

As you journey along our fairytale trail, look out for our friendly marshals fluttering about as fairies. Every five stops, these magical helpers will gift you a special sticker to collect. Gather them all and upon reaching the finish, you'll be rewarded with a book voucher to spend in any of our hospice shops... along with some sweet treats to celebrate your happily-ever-after!

## DIRECTIONS

Our story begins in Cherry Tree Wood where you will discover our Events Village, collect your free lunch and receive your goodie bag before you begin your quest.

When the warm-up is complete, and the starting line is behind you, continue on the path past the public toilets and through the exit gate to the north-east of the park. Step out of the woods and turn left onto Fordington Road. Soon you'll meet a mini roundabout with Woodside Avenue; walk straight across into Lanchester Road.

### Through Highgate

Pass through the gate and keep straight on the main path until you reach Lodge Gate at Muswell Hill Road (**POINT 2**).

Stay in the wood, following the path to the right, keeping Muswell Hill Road as your companion on the other side of the fence.

Exit at Gypsy Gate, turn right, and climb the hill (take care, it is steep) to the traffic lights. Cross Archway Road into Southwood Lane (**POINT 3**).



Keep going and soon you'll be rewarded with your arrival at Highgate Village. When you reach Highgate High Street, turn left and cross at the zebra crossing, and stroll into South Grove (POINT 4). Toilets await at Pond Square should you need them.

### Down to the Heath

Stay on South Grove until it emerges into Highgate West Hill. Walk past South Grove House and follow on down the hill. At the traffic island (POINT 5), cross the road and turn right into Merton Lane. At the end, enter the open wilds of Hampstead Heath, where public toilets are nearby.

Walk between the glistening lakes and keep left (POINT 6). Follow the main path with the lakes to your left. When they fade from view, take the middle path (POINT 7) towards the café and toilets in the south-east corner of the Heath. Turn right and you'll pass the café on your right.

Place your sticker from our magical marshal here

CAFÉ AND PUBLIC TOILETS  
WATER RE-FILL



The athletics track will appear on your left. After the play park and paddling pool, fork left (POINT 8) to cross the railway bridge and exit the Heath onto Savernake Road/Constantine Road.

Turn right and continue to South End Green (POINT 9). Here you will also find more public toilets. Make sure you take care, buses and traffic are known to busy the scene here

**Towards Primrose Hill**

Cross Fleet Road and continue up Pond Street, past the Royal Free Hospital, and at the top of Pond Street, turn left (POINT 10) to walk down Rosslyn Hill, which soon transforms into Haverstock Hill. Continue to the traffic lights at Englands Lane (POINT 11), cross the road, and turn right onto Englands Lane.

At the end of the road, turn left into Primrose Hill Road (POINT 12)

Place your sticker from the next fantastic fairy here



Continuing on the left-hand side of the road, crossing Fellows Road. Cross Adelaide Road at the traffic lights and continue on Primrose Hill Road, crossing over King Henry's Road. At the zebra crossing, cross to the right-hand side of the road and enter the oasis of Primrose Hill Park (POINT 13).

Turn left along the path leading up the hill (which rises steeply). Climb it if you dare! At the top, sweeping views of London reward your effort at the viewing point.

**BIG FUN WALKERS - YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED APPROXIMATELY HALF OF THE WALK, YOUR JOURNEY CONTINUES.**

**LITTLE FUN WALKERS - YOU'VE FINISHED THE WALK! PICK UP YOUR TICKET TO OUR POST-WALK RECEPTION AND JOIN US THERE!**

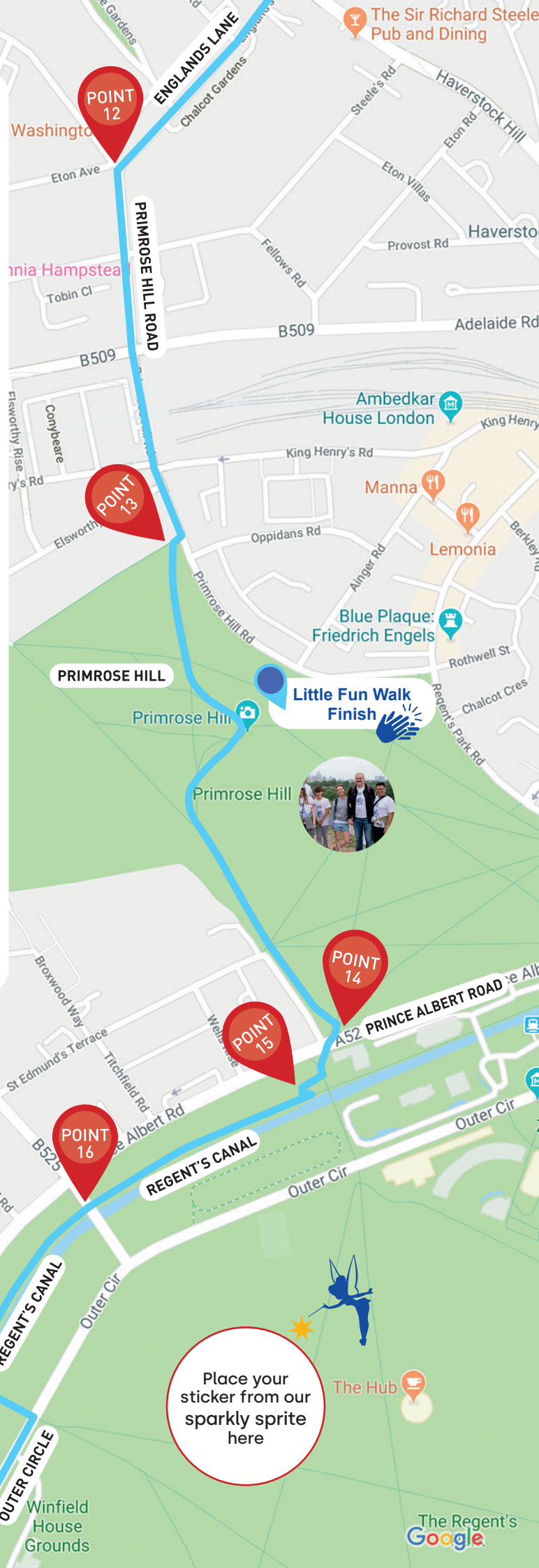
#### Across Regent's Park

Once you have taken in the stunning views, follow the path from the viewpoint around to the right and join the path taking you down to the south-west corner of the park to exit.

After exiting Primrose Hill, turn right and cross Prince Albert Road at the zebra crossing (POINT 14). Turn right and then left, leading to the footbridge over Regent's Canal. Turn right just before the footbridge and follow the elevated path by the canal (POINT 15).

**DO NOT FOLLOW THE TOW-PATH - STAY ON THE ELEVATED PATH.**

Pass under one bridge (POINT 16), and then when you approach the second bridge, be sure to fork right. When you reach the top of the path, turn left and cross Charlbert Bridge (POINT 17). Turn right at the Outer Circle, (not into the park), and follow it around until you reach the golden dome of London Central Mosque.



Place your sticker from our sparkly sprite here





At Great Cumberland Place turn left and cross the road to reach the Marble Arch (POINT 23). Walk around the arches and the square with the flags, passing Marble Arch Station on your left.

Use the pedestrian crossing to cross Cumberland Gate and Park Lane (POINT 24) to the corner of Hyde Park (Speakers Corner).

Enter Hyde Park here and head south on The Broad Walk (left hand path parallel with Park Lane). The Broad Walk is also used by cyclists, so watch out and avoid the cycle lane.

Exit Hyde Park through the archway at Hyde Park Corner. Turn left and walk around Apsley House to the subway on Park Lane (POINT 25).

Go down the subway and take the first turning right (about halfway through the subway). Go up the steps, turn sharp left and follow the path round to the pelican lights, passing the New Zealand memorial on your left-hand side and the Wellington Arch on your right.

Cross over at the lights and enter Green Park, walking along the path, which will lead you to the imposing gates of Buckingham Palace.

Place your sticker from our friendly fairy here

POINT 23

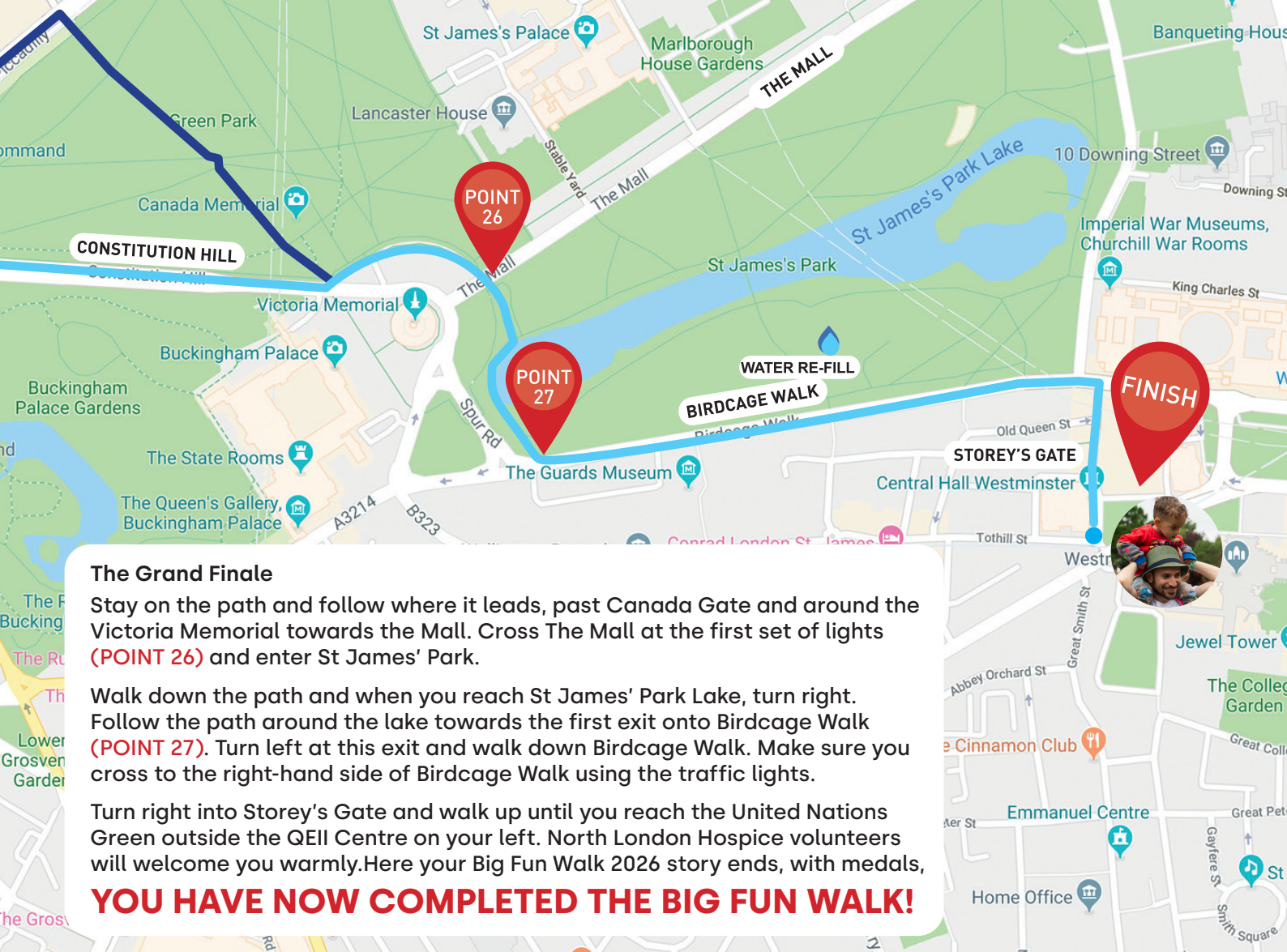
POINT 24

POINT 25

WATER RE-FILL

HYDE PARK CORNER

CONSTITUTION HILL



### The Grand Finale

Stay on the path and follow where it leads, past Canada Gate and around the Victoria Memorial towards the Mall. Cross The Mall at the first set of lights **(POINT 26)** and enter St James' Park.

Walk down the path and when you reach St James' Park Lake, turn right. Follow the path around the lake towards the first exit onto Birdcage Walk **(POINT 27)**. Turn left at this exit and walk down Birdcage Walk. Make sure you cross to the right-hand side of Birdcage Walk using the traffic lights.

Turn right into Storey's Gate and walk up until you reach the United Nations Green outside the QEII Centre on your left. North London Hospice volunteers will welcome you warmly. Here your Big Fun Walk 2026 story ends, with medals,

**YOU HAVE NOW COMPLETED THE BIG FUN WALK!**

LONDON SEARCH AND RESCUE WILL BE ON HAND AT THE END OF THE WALK SHOULD YOU REQUIRE ANY ASSISTANCE



Thank you for supporting North London Hospice by taking part in the Big Fun Walk!

Please help yourself to tea, coffee and enjoy the post-walk reception. And don't forget to take lots of photos and share them with us on social media.

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