

Press Release

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St Peter & St James London Marathon Runners show they're made of tough stuff!

The weather was hot, but it didn't affect those running to support the work of St Peter & St James Hospice in North Chailey! Despite the heat our select band of runners really proved that when you believe you can do anything!

Our fastest runner was Jay Jennions who completed the course in 3hrs 9minutes and 56seconds and managed to get herself placed at 1,775th overall! An incredible accomplishment considering there were over 33,000 runners taking part!

Father and daughter team Jack and Jessica Wheale also managed a special feat! They matched their times exactly, finishing together in 6hrs 37minutes and 18seconds, it also seems that they managed to stay together throughout the race as whenever we checked where they were on the course, their times always matched and we don't think they were tied together!!

At the moment we are predicting that we will raise at least £8,000 from the marathon which is an outstanding achievement from our runners!

Pictured are Jack and Jessica looking amazing considering they have just run 26.2 miles!

Thank you to all our runners, we really appreciate all your hard work supporting St Peter & St James Hospice.

If anyone would like to run for St Peter & St James in the 2012 marathon (certain to be extra special because of the Olympics!) then we have 5 places available. Please contact Fundraising for more details.

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Notes to Editors: About St Peter & St James Hospice & Continuing Care Centre

Our mission as a registered charity is to provide specialist care, love and support for those living with progressive, life limiting illnesses from East and West Sussex. We will endeavour to meet the needs of each patient, their family and friends. We aim to encourage and enable all patients to live their lives to their full potential despite their illnesses.

We care for patients from Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath, Lewes, Uckfield and the surrounding villages. Last year we provided care for more than 400 patients and their families. All of our Hospice services are free of charge and we receive less than 17% of our funding from the Government. This means we have to raise more than £1.8 million every year through fundraising. That's £5,000 every single day.

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