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# Thames Federation
## Nursery and Primary Newsletter

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### Welcome to Buggingham Palace!

This week, Reception and Year 1 had the wonderful opportunity to work alongside a charity to create a beautiful raised planting bed and a fantastic bug hotel, proudly named 'Buggingham Palace'!

The adventure began with Miss Rand taking the Reception children to the local park to collect natural materials to help make their bug hotel a success. The children then enjoyed a hands-on experience, working together to build the hotel and bring their exciting creation to life.

It was a truly memorable experience and a wonderful addition to Melcombe. The project has provided the children with an exciting opportunity to connect with nature, develop an appreciation for the environment and learn the importance of treating all wildlife with kindness and care. The children cannot wait to see which little visitors move into Buggingham Palace!

### Wiggle, Waggle for World Mental Health Day

To celebrate World Mental Health Day, Bayonne Nursery hosted a family Wiggle-Waggle session!

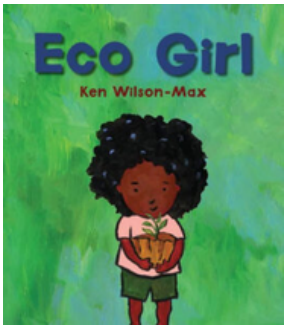
It was wonderful to see parents joining their children for a session full of movement, music and fun. Music and movement are a great way to boost our mood, release energy and support both our mental and physical wellbeing.

The session was also a lovely opportunity for families to share special moments together, spend time in the nursery and strengthen the wonderful sense of community.

A big thank you to Keisha for always making Wiggle-Waggle so much fun for everyone!

# Love of Reading Recommended Texts

## EYFS

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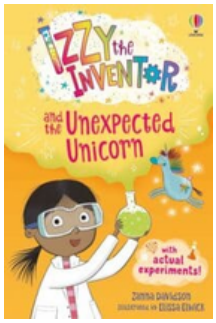


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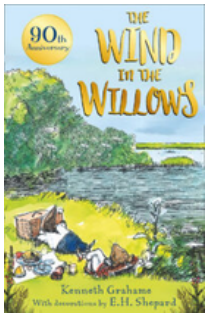


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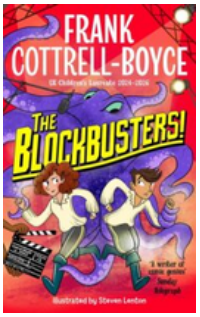


## Contact Details

**If you need to contact any of the three schools within the Thames Federation please use the following details:**

**Bayonne Nursery and Pre-school**
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**admin@bayonne.lbhf.sch.uk**

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**W14 9BH**
**Tel: 020 8741 8877**
**admin@jameslee.lbhf.sch.uk**

**Melcombe Primary School**
**Fulham Palace Road, London**
**W6 9ER**
**Tel: 020 8748 7411**
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## Diary Dates

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| Monday 19th Oct | • **Bayonne:** Fulham Football<br>• **James Lee:** Wiggle Waggle<br>• **Melcombe:** N/A |
| Tuesday 20th Oct | • **Bayonne:** Forest School<br>• **James Lee:** Forest School<br>• **Melcombe:** Y6 Day trip to the Courts |
| Wednesday 21st Oct | • **Bayonne:** Wiggle Waggle<br>• **James Lee:** Come Back & Play session (former Nursery children)<br>• **Melcombe:** N/A |
| Thursday 22nd Oct | • **Bayonne:** African Drumming Workshop<br>• **James Lee:** African Drumming Workshop<br>• **Melcombe:** N/A |
| Friday 23rd Oct | • **Bayonne:** International Sing-along with parents<br>• **James Lee:** Fulham Football<br>• **Melcombe:** Boys' and Girls' football matches<br>*The Federation closes for half term* |

## UK Safer Internet Centre - Top Tips

**If anything goes wrong online, reassure your child.**

Make sure they know they can come to you if something goes wrong online without fear of losing their device or getting into trouble. Create an open and supportive enviornment which will encourage your child speak up when they need your help.

## Safeguarding Update

**If you are worried about the safety or welfare of any child, you can report your concerns in the following ways: call on 020 8753 6600 or out of hours 020 8748 8588, email at familyservices@lbhf.gov.uk. Walk in to Ground Floor, 145 King St, Hammersmith, W6 9XY**

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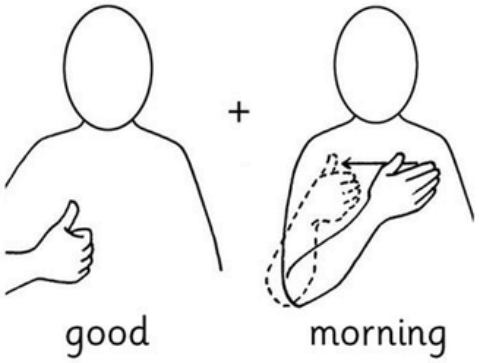

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# Download the Studybugs app for reporting your child's absence

A quick and secure way to report absence due to illness and send messages to school.

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