

About the WELLINGTON

The WELLINGTON was one of 13 Grimsby Class sloops built in 1935 in response to the threat of war looming over Europe. She began her service in the Pacific, touring to preserve peace in service of the Empire. With the outbreak of war, HMS WELLINGTON served as a convoy escort, ensuring that vital supply lines remained open, soldiers could reach their fighting areas and people in Britain remained safe and fed at home.



Since 1948, the WELLINGTON has been moored at Temple Stairs along the Thames and is the headquarters of the Honourable Company of Master Mariners. She is the last example of a Second World War Escort still in Britain.

“Thank you so much... I couldn't think of a better way to spend my time... I salute you!”

Yr 6 pupil, St. Augustine's Primary School

“My best day... ever!”

Yr 7 pupil, St. Matthew's CE Primary School

How to find us:

The WELLINGTON is berthed alongside Victoria Embankment at Temple Stairs (Postcode WC2R 2PN).

By Tube:

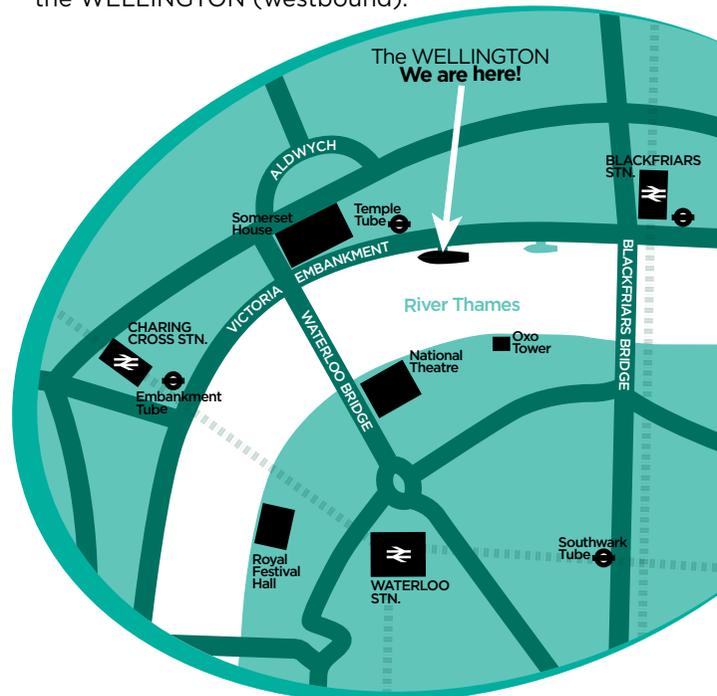
The nearest Underground station is Temple on the District and Circle Lines.

By Overland Train:

The nearest railway station is Blackfriars. Waterloo and Charing Cross Stations are also close by.

By Bus:

The 388 stops on Embankment just outside Temple Tube (eastbound) and approximately 200 yards from the WELLINGTON (westbound).



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Temple Stairs, Victoria Embankment
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All hands on deck!



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Sessions and Trail

Links and Lines: The WELLINGTON in the world

Key Stage 1 & 2 Citizenship

'Links and Lines' follows the journey of the WELLINGTON, encouraging students to learn about life aboard a ship and the diverse ports and peoples she encountered around the world. Students will explore how the movement of goods and people have impacted Britain's history and shaped our modern life.

The WELLINGTON and WWII

Key Stage 2 History

Discover how the WELLINGTON kept Britain fuelled and fed during WWII. Students will learn how trade and the war at sea impacted the lives of children like themselves and how Britons met the challenges of rationing and shortage on the home front.

'1 Sailor' Discovery Trail

Explore the ship and become a sailor! This trail encourages students to test their salt by undertaking the roles once carried out by sailors. From taking the wheel at the bridge with a Master Mariner to learning daily duties of a seaman, students will experience life at sea through doing and discovering what keeps ships afloat.

Each facilitated session includes the Discovery Trail, lasts approximately 1hr and 45 minutes, and accommodates 1 class of 30 students with a required 1:10 adult to student ratio. The sessions can also be adapted to cater for higher ability groups.



Booking

To book "Links & Lines" or "WELLINGTON and World War Two", contact us on **020 7836 8179** or via email at: learning@thewellingtontrust.com



We will be happy to provide advice on planning your visit and will provide information to prepare your students and group leaders for their visits. If possible a preliminary visit is recommended.

Heads (Toilets)

The ship is equipped with public toilets.

Lunch room

A lunch room is available but space is limited. Please discuss reserving the lunch room when booking your visit. Picnic space is also available in Embankment Gardens directly across from the ship.

Travelling by coach

Children can be dropped off from buses on the Embankment (west going). Vehicles approaching from the West will need to turn left into Temple Place and then go right at the lights to gain the West-going carriage way. Parking for buses is available nearby at Temple Place.



The sessions are offered free of charge, but we do invite schools to make a donation to the WELLINGTON Trust by way of an invoice **at their own discretion.**

The WELLINGTON sailed the trade routes, protecting Britain and vital supplies along convoy routes during World War Two.

Now moored at Victoria Embankment, Temple Stairs, she is a floating classroom and offers an engaging and interactive setting for learning about our maritime past and the world today in the heart of London's busy waterway.

Two Primary level facilitated sessions and a discovery trail are currently on offer for KS1 and KS2.



"I cannot begin to tell you how much the children enjoyed it! I've never seen the children so engaged"

**Kate Bullock, Teacher,
Bangabandhu Primary School**