Sadly, we said goodbye to five of our students this morning. We will miss them greatly but hope that they carry their happy memories of Reach back home with them.

However, we are very pleased to have six more students joining us from a variety of different countries and continents! They will join the students from Week 1 who are with us for the whole two weeks. After being welcomed to Reach Hall and given some time to settle in, the new arrivals had a full tour of Sidney Sussex College and were shown around Cambridge city centre.

Meanwhile, the 2-week students went on a day trip to Stratford-Upon-Avon and Warwick. In the morning they were given a tour around Shakespeare's hometown by a Cambridge alumnus who completed his Master's degree in English Literature and is now training to be a theatre director, so it's fair to say he is well-versed in the works of the Bard! The students even had an ad-hoc lesson in iambic pentameter outside Shakespeare's old school, and saw the playwright's final resting place.



'Good friend, for Jesus' sake, forbear/ to dig the dust enclosed here. Blessed be the man that spares these stones/ and

cursed be he that moves
my bones.'

In the afternoon, they visited the medieval Warwick Castle. Not only is the castle teeming with history, it is also a fabulous place to wile away a sunny afternoon. The students had free time to get lost in the Horrible Histories maze, scale the battlements, pop inside to see the 'Countess of Warwick' and her Victorian Royal Weekend Party, and even enjoy an ice cream while ambling around the verdant grounds. The highlight for everyone, however, was undoubtedly the Castle Dungeons, a spooky live-actor experience which took us through the more gruesome history of the Castle, from the plague of 1345 to the witch trials of the 1700s. Nothing like an hour of jumping and screaming for group bonding...!



Warwick Castle

On returning from their fun day out, the 2-week students were excited to meet their new peers. We headed to the Boathouse over the road for meals such as Sausages and Mash and Chicken Tikka Massala, both firm favourites with the British! Afterwards, we enjoyed our second round of icebreakers which featured games of Ninja, Splat and the Human Knot. All pleasantly weary from our varied and busy days, it was time for bed. We'll need our energy for a busy day of treasure hunting and punting tomorrow...

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