

Today students had the chance to explore the other place...Oxford!! A city in the South East of England, Oxford is renowned for having the oldest university in the English-speaking world. Coined by Poet Arnold, Oxford is known as the 'city of dreaming spires'.

The students spent the morning in the Natural History Museum, which was founded in 1860 and acts as the centre for scientific study at University.

✘ With a vast collection of geological and zoological specimens, the students were able to explore the museum to find out about the dodo, dinosaurs, beautiful gems, as well as neuroscience and the brain! It was a morning spent exploring and learning.

After a short walk into the city centre, the students split into groups for the highlight of the day - the Oxford-Scavenger-hunt-quiz-extravaganza! Each group, aided with a supervisor, clues and maps worked tirelessly to explore Oxford and complete challenges and questions. The tasks ranged from finding the college that inspired the dining hall in Harry Potter, to trying the famous diam bar ice cream Oxford sells. The best challenge completed was undoubtedly the teams who spelt out 'Reach' with their bodies under the famous bridge of sighs (check out the Reach Instagram to view the beauty!).

Students then had some free time to explore bits of Oxford they hadn't had a chance to see on the scavenger hunt. After a truly wonderful and busy day, students boarded the coach back to Cambridge where they had time to get some dinner before evening activities. Fun was had all evening, from students who watched Moana with popcorn, or those who played some basketball and football in the evening light. Tensions rose high during the Barcelona v Real Madrid match, with students and supervisors supporting their team right to the end!

All in all, today was such a fun day at Reach. The weather was lovely, a beautiful day to explore Oxford. As much as we loved being in Oxford, we still think Cambridge is better!

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