

We're just over half way through the August program and it's been another cracking day at Reach Cambridge. Having spent yesterday evening decorating cakes with Ghana flags and making signs for a variety of stalls, today was finally time for the Fete of Fundraising! First, though, it was time for class and a few interesting trips around Cambridge.

I headed over to spend the morning and early afternoon with the Psychology class who were busy conducting experiments and visiting University labs. The topics of the day included the psychology of love, ways to influence others' behaviour and a little clinical psychology. It was all fascinating and we then headed out to the labs to meet some of the faculty and hear about their research. After a quick look around and some demonstrations in the lab, time was racing on and we had business to attend to at the Fete!

The community outreach students had done an amazing job organising all the activities and the Fete was brilliant. Henna tattoos were artfully crafted and games played, all raising money for our partner charity Sabre Trust. The undoubted highlight of the evening was 'Soak the Supervisor' – an opportunity for students to get one over on the staff and donate money to drench them in cold water. Another great event followed; the Charity Auction. Students and staff had generously donated a range of items to be auctioned off and the bidding was fierce. By the end of the evening a grand total of over £1,600 pounds had been raised from the fete and auction, an incredible achievement for all the students involved.

After all the fun and with the evening drawing to a close it was time for an early night. We've got a trip to Blenheim Palace and the Other Place (Oxford) on the cards so we need to be fresh and ready for morning!

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