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Ursuline pupils enjoy big day out in London

AS Ursuline Preparatory School's Upper Two came to the end of their final year at the school, they went on the traditional school trip to London and the Palace of Westminster.

Parents of the leavers were also invited along for this landmark day for the students.

The day started with a visit to the Maritime Museum in Greenwich, where the children learned about historical characters and vessels.

They also had the opportunity to look into the future in the astronomy section of the museum that features

several photographers that have won the accolade of Photographer of the Year.

Then it was all aboard a Thames river boat cruise from Greenwich Pier for their journey to The Palace of Westminster, passing numerous historical sites on the way.

They then disembarked at Westminster Bridge to get to the Palace of Westminster, soaking up the sun while being amazed by the architecture of Parliament Square.

During the tour of Parliament, the children learnt lots of amazing facts

about the palace and even had a chance to listen to a debate in both the House of Lords and the House of Commons which was a special moment for everyone.

The highlight of the visit was an unexpected drop-in from Brentwood and Ongar MP, Alex Burghart, who answered lots of interesting questions from the children.

It was a truly wonderful day for the children where they learnt all about the city of London and the history and traditions of parliamentary processes.



Brentwood and Ongar MP Alex Burghart answered children's questions during their visit to Parliament
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The day started with a visit to the National Maritime Museum
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The children enjoyed a tour of Parliament
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Year 11 Mayflower students say a fond farewell



Year 11 students had a fun-packed leavers day as they said goodbye to Mayflower High School

A "truly remarkable" cohort of students have bid farewell to their school.

Year 11 students at Mayflower High School, in Billericay, enjoyed a fun-packed and emotional leavers day.

During the day, the year group

attended a leavers assembly where they watched farewell videos from school staff and received certificates, before heading outside to enjoy an inflatable assault course, inflatable football pitch, dodgems, ice cream and a bbq.

In the evening, they dressed to

impress for their prom at Downham Hall.

Nathan Church, head of Year 11, said: "This Year 11 cohort is truly remarkable. They have grown through their secondary years and, during times of challenge and change, have shown resilience,

maturity and compassion. Despite the difficulties they have faced, they have supported one another, and we couldn't be more proud of who they've become.

"We have been especially impressed with the way they have approached their exams. They

have demonstrated not only academic effort, but also a calm and collected attitude that reflects their growth. We are confident they are well equipped for the next steps in their journey, and we look forward to seeing all that they will go on to achieve."