

FELIXSTOWE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE



Friendship Through Education

Newsletter

April 2025

Principal's Welcome

Happy Easter to you all! The spring term has been a fully packed one with lots of events taking place outside of the normal school day. It's been wonderful to see the day students and boarders mixing and taking part in all the fun. We would like to know what we can do next term to keep up the pace of day and boarder student integration, so please do speak with the school ambassadors and head boys so that we can make FIC what you want it to be. As we enter the summer term we expect all students outside at break and lunch, and to encourage this further, those with packed lunches are welcome to eat outside (weather permitting) and those with school lunches are encouraged to head outside with fruit or snacks after the main meal has been eaten. We just ask for you to ensure all rubbish is disposed of so that we continue to enjoy the outside space. We are on the lookout for outdoor games so any donations welcome to encourage outside play.



This term, we welcome our new KS2 class and as such, are looking for our existing students to welcome them and encourage their integration, so please do get to know them and let them get to know you too! We also welcome a school group from Nigeria for a week who are keen to experience FIC lessons and are looking forward to you all joining them on the evening events planned (see the school calendar for more details). This school group are considering coming back in the summer as a larger summer school group so this week will be a great opportunity for them to experience what FIC has to offer.

As we enter the exam season, please be mindful of those who have exams, and I wish all students the best of luck on behalf of all FIC staff and students. This is the time to show how all your hard work has paid off and a chance to get the well earned recognition that you deserve for all your efforts over the past two years of studies. We all believe in you and are sure that you will succeed, good luck!

Mrs Becky.

House team challenges

Latimer 3

0 Cranmer

Code Breaking (Ms Cerys)

Easter Activities (Mrs Polly)

Sports Challenges (Mr Guy)

Lion King London trip

A group, including LAMDA and Winter School students, travelled to London in January. The main highlight was the wonderful show The Lion King, but we also enjoyed a stop at Covent Garden, as well as the journey by train and by tube.





Parliament visit

In March, FIC had the incredible opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament (the Palace of Westminster) in London, where the national government sits. We toured the House of Lords, House of Commons, and central halls, gaining valuable insights into the workings of government and its history. The students also participated in an engaging workshop on how to create a petition, demonstrating, as always, outstanding behaviour and effort.



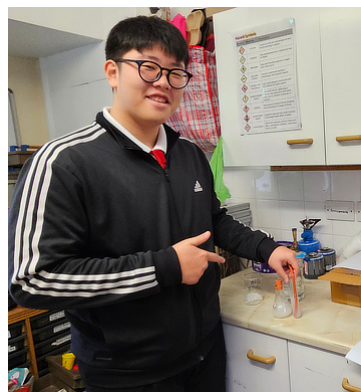


Games night



Fun with practical science and geography

FIC and winter school students learnt about how to perform “gas tests” for 3 common gases – carbon dioxide, oxygen and hydrogen. There were wow smiles and shocks with



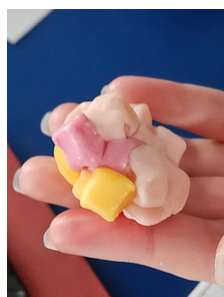
the tests they carried out. By far their favourite was hydrogen gas – can you think why?!



In other classes, GCSE scientists created copper sulphate crystals through purification and filtering.



And in geography, GCSE and winter school students learnt about the rock cycle. A creative practical to model the formation of the different rock types from igneous to sedimentary to metamorphic used Starbursts. It was sticky, delicious and fun!

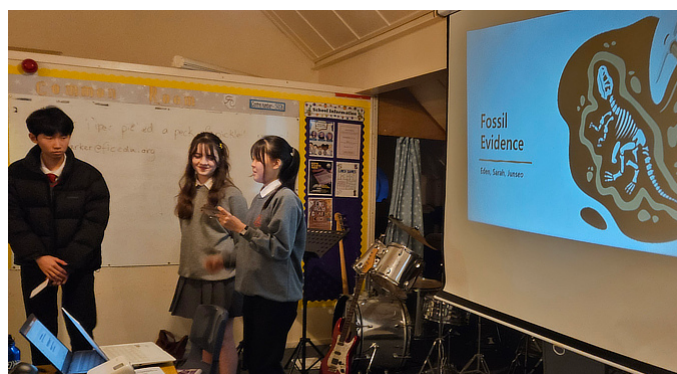
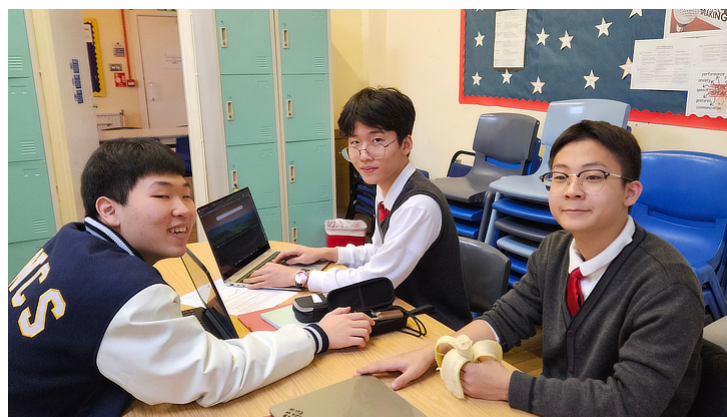


Climate collaboration

GCSE and winter school students collaborated in groups to present evidence on how we know that climate change is occurring. Each group presented evidence on one of 5 areas:



fossil records, ice core samples, tree rings, historical evidence, and temperature data from central England.



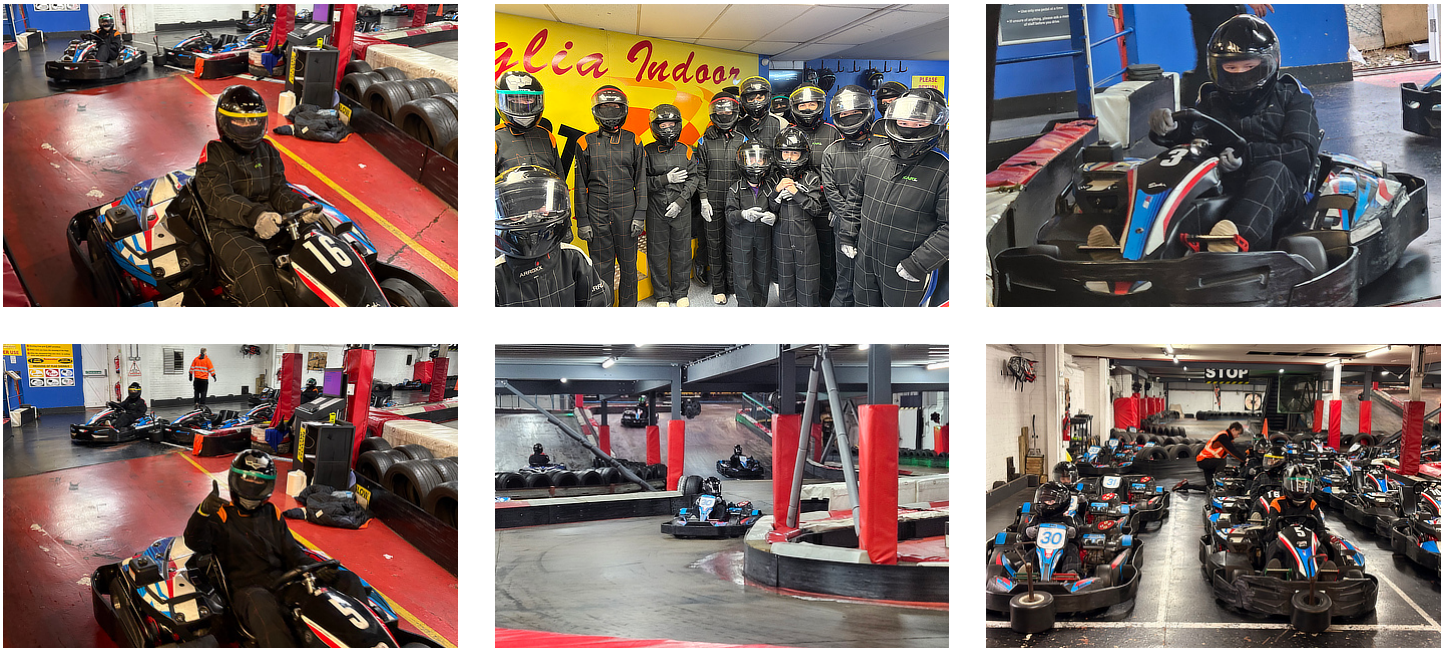
Careers News

All students took part in the National Careers Week. The assembly on the first day introduced the different activities for the week and a Guess the job quiz, where students were given information about a particular job and had to guess what it was. The students did really well at guessing the different occupations. Day 2 was all about careers in the NHS and students completed a quiz which matched their likes to different occupations within the NHS. Day 3 provided the students with information on the different engineering careers. Day 4 students completed a quiz which matched them with different green careers, and on day 5 students were provided with information on different careers in chemistry.

Year 12 students have looked at different topics such as preparing for work experience, making applications, the importance of networking, and how to maintain a good work life balance.

Year 13 have now all had university offers and are currently deciding on which places to accept and they have also looked at different topics such as budgeting at university, how to prepare for exams, university clearing, and what to do in their first week at university.

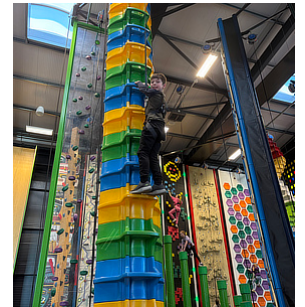
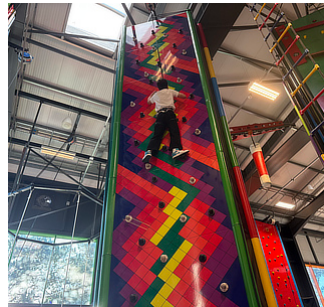
Go-karting



Easter house team challenges

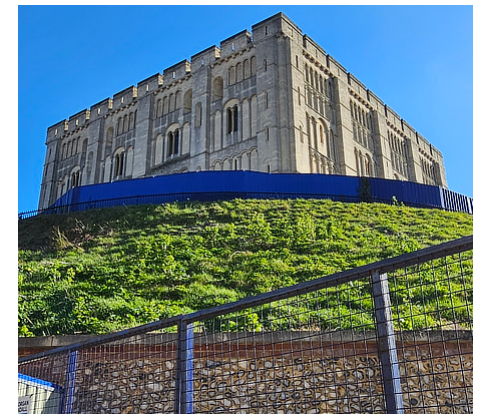


Bowling and climbing



Norwich castle history trip

This visit covered a statutory part of the GCSE History curriculum which focuses on the role of a chosen castle from Norman England (1066–1100). Students analysed the castle's significance in consolidating Norman power, its architecture, and its historical context, linking the site to broader themes of Norman control and governance.



Winter school



International children's book day

This special day (2nd April) honours the birth of Hans Christian Andersen, the renowned Danish author famous for his timeless fairy tales, and is dedicated to fostering a love of reading and promoting children's literature



worldwide. Students and staff reflected on the books that have made a meaningful impact on our lives during a group session and some of us enjoyed dressing up as our favourite book characters (*see front page*).

End of term celebration



Katy:	Planning and organisation
Maddy:	Concentration and focus
Pop:	Oral participation in lessons
Theo:	Oral participation in lessons
Thomas:	Concentration and focus
Taya:	Communication with teachers
Dan:	Oral participation in lessons
Enoch:	Oral participation in lessons
Francesca:	Attention to detail
Grace:	Attention to detail
Martha:	Oral participation in lessons
Hyeongjun:	Planning and organisation
Namhyun:	Oral participation in lessons
Seonghun:	Concentration and focus

Monday 21st April: Nigerian school visit (1 week)
Monday 21st April, 6:30 pm: Easter worship fun
Tuesday 22nd April: Summer Term starts
Thursday 24th April, 6:30 pm: Evening games
Monday 5th May: Bank holiday
Friday 23rd May: Geography field trip
Sat 24th May – Sun 1st June: Half Term holiday
Friday 27th June: Summer fair
Wednesday 2nd July: Celebration assembly,
St Peter & St Paul church
Weds 2nd July: Leavers' meal, Saigon restaurant
Friday 4th July: End of Term (finish at 1:00 pm)



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