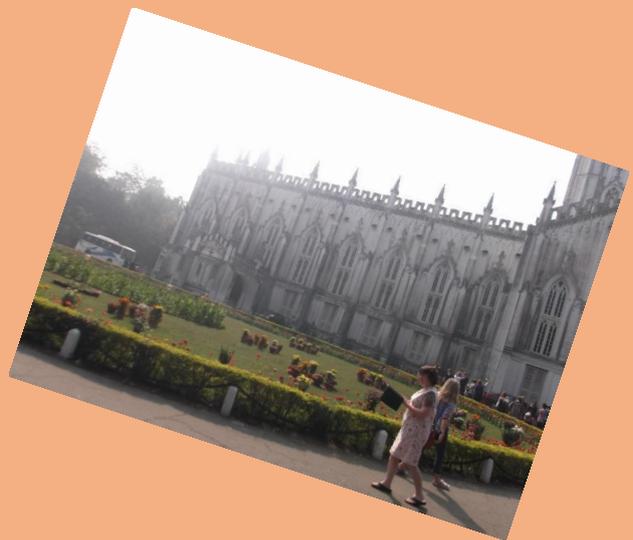


India Link Visit Day 3

Sunday 13th January 2019

Today was a really busy day so it's nice to finally sit down and look back over what I've seen and done. We had an early start as the Cathedral's service in English starts at 8.30am, its 10.30 for the Bengali service but that would have been hard to follow! It was really special to join with the members of the congregation to worship God and to have familiar words and phrases as part of the service, especially 'Go in peace to love and serve the Lord' 'In the name of Christ, Amen' was said. It made me think about how Christians all over the world are serving God in so many ways and it is so special to be able to have this link with Christians so far away. Next time we say that phrase I will wonder how many Christians across the world have also said it that day.

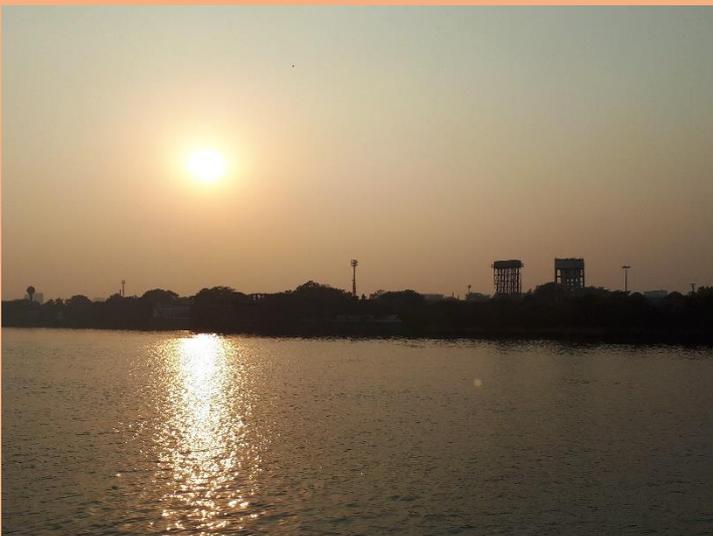


Following the service we walked the short distance to the Victoria Memorial, which was set in beautiful and peaceful grounds. In the grounds was a statue of Lord Curzon of Kedleston, the National Trust property near Derby which I am sure many of you have visited. He was the person who came up with the idea to build the memorial in Kolkata.



We then came back to the hotel to get resources ready for the training we will be delivering on Tuesday and make sure we have what we need for going in our link schools tomorrow. I am excited to meet the children and teacher from Awami School and share the story Brown Bear, Brown Bear with them.

After that, we went on a river cruise on the Houghly, which is a tributary to the Ganges. It was a great way to see the city from a different angle and the boat we travelled on was amazing! Part way we got off to visit a Hindu temple which was packed with people and noisy with the most birds I have ever seen in one place, sadly I didn't hear much of what our guide told us about the temple as the birds were too noisy.



Now, I'm off to bed to rest before the hard work really begins!