



# John Spendluffe Technology College

## Headteacher

It has been a very busy but extremely positive term, our new Year 7 cohort have settled in so positively to the JSTC family,

Year 11 have completed their first set of Mock exams with impressive attitudes. Students in all year groups have been working really hard within their lessons and we hope for positive and focused attitudes to continue next term.

We have had numerous Sporting achievements over the last two terms.



There are so many good news stories regarding our school community and individual students, far too many to list here. I encourage you all to follow us on [Twitter@JSTCAlford](#) and our Facebook site, to be regularly updated on the events, notices and achievements that take place.

We have re-launched our House system and appointed new House Leaders who will work alongside me to create extra curricular competitions and activities.



It is clear to see the abundance of community work that we facilitate to forge local connections, in order for our students to experience and develop important skills for life. This is clearly evident in various cultural events the students experience over the year.

I want to pass on my gratitude and appreciation to all of our staff members. When I first started it was commented that we at JSTC are one big family, that has been very clear, we support and work together to get the best out of our children. We have an amazingly talented group of staff members who I am extremely grateful and thankful for all their hard work, tenacity and drive.

I want to thank staff, governors and families for your continued support and wish you a wonderful Christmas with your families and friends.

We have introduced a range of different rewards over this last term and more will follow next term. Over 30 students in each year group have been awarded our Values Awards for Respect, Resilient and Responsibility.



A polite reminder that when we return in January, our uniform expectations are followed.

Students are to **not** wear trainers, hoodies, leggings, nose rings, hooped earrings or false nails.



Simon Curtis



## Christmas Show 2023



Over 60 students took part in JSTC's Christmas Show with over 30 acts performing. There was a mixture of singing, dancing and instrumentals to entertain a sold out audience. Congratulations to all students that performed but also all the students who worked hard backstage and in production.

Thank you to all staff, students and parents/carers that came to support.

All monies raised will go towards the Summer term Musical.

Have a very merry Christmas!



### Supporting Charities



Save the Children®

The last 2 terms, the school community has contributed to 3 charities that have become close to our hearts... Jeans 4 Genes, Save the Children and Alford Food Bank. All 3 have benefited greatly from donations from parents, carers, students and staff. I would personally like to thank each and everyone of you for your generous support.

School became a sea of Denim back at the end of September to help raise awareness of the daily challenges faced by children living with a genetic condition. The money that we raised (£600) will help make a difference to the lives of those children affected.

The donations that have been brought into school for the food bank have been amazing. I know that they will help people in our local community.

And finally... for the last day of the Christmas term, hopefully school will become glittery and bright as we all put on our best Christmas outfits/jumpers so that we can help children across the UK and around the world get the best future, raising an understanding about the serious issues like war, hunger and poverty that they face daily.

Thank you all again for your support.







# JSTC Winter 2023 Newsletter



## Parents / Carers of children with SEND

If you haven't had the opportunity yet to sign up to Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum, can we recommend you do so!

You will receive regular newsletters with online training and support for you. It is highly recommended!

Sessions attended so far have been well being, dealing with behaviour and our Year 10s have been doing revision techniques with their families.

Please don't miss out on getting additional support.



## Lincolnshire Parent Carer Forum

Virtual (FREE)

"LPCF Week of SEND 2024"

Monday 29th January to Friday 2nd February

Week of SEND

**For Parents and Carers of children with Disabilities/Additional needs and for professionals who work with them.**

We will have a diverse range of services, organisations and support groups attending our online Zoom sessions at different times throughout the day and evening (10.30am—9.00pm).

**The aim of the event is to give attendees as much information, support and help as possible.**

Sessions include organisations showcasing their help and support in 10 minute, bite size presentations.

Many workshops on specific topics requested by the membership will also be held throughout the year (these will need to be booked).

Our website information page will contain more details of the organisations attending over the next few weeks.

The Zoom invitation links will be added, then just click on the link and wait to enter the virtual waiting room.

Sit back and relax with your cuppa and find out what you're missing!

**[www.lincspcf.org.uk](http://www.lincspcf.org.uk) > Information page> LPCF Week of SEND**

*To save time on the day, please sign up to LPCF or renew your membership by using the sign up page of our website.*



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*Attending parents who register, may be eligible for a FREE Max Card. Please see our website for eligibility criteria. (limited supply available)*

## Respect & Responsibility

Incredibly proud of our school community creating a wonderful Remembrance window display, writing poems and representing the school at the Remembrance service.





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## Warner Brother Studios

Year 10 Students recently visited the Warner Brother Studios to participate in workshops that taught them the process of designing scenes, from concept ideas, story boards and modelling prior to film production to support with their iMedia studies.



## **Our Student Council welcome local Senior Citizens to JSTC for a day of Christmas Festivities**

On Wednesday 13 December local senior citizens visited, along with Alford Primary Year 6 Students and staff, to watch the fabulous Christmas Show performed by our super talented JSTC students. They were welcomed by our Student Council reps and enjoyed hot drinks and mince pies while enjoying the performances.

Following the spectacular show our senior citizens enjoyed a superb Christmas dinner with all the trimmings and a selection of deserts provided by Mr Armstrong and the canteen team.

Our visitors said they greatly enjoyed their day and thanked performers and canteen staff with gifts of chocolates.



A huge thank you to all the performers, Student Council reps, the JSTC site and canteen teams for providing a fantastic festive experience for our local senior citizens.

