

John Whitgift Academy

ALUMNI

During my five years at John Whitgift Academy I studied: the three core subjects along with music, French and ECDL. I eventually left with the following qualifications: English Language 7, English Literature 5, Maths 5, Science B, Additional Science B, Music B, French C, ECDL Distinction. I felt very supported during my time at John Whitgift Academy and it was a very good stepping stone into further and higher education. The teachers who I can name who gave me aspirations to move forward were Mrs Shephard, Mrs Westerman-Smith, Miss Thomas and Mr Tuffnell as my head of year.

The staff at Franklin College were always extremely supportive during the preparation for university and when sitting my A-Levels. The staff from the English Language, Literature and Health and Social Care department were very helpful because they helped me prepare for the exams.

I am currently attending The University of Lincoln and I am studying English BA (Hons).

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ABIGAIL PARKER
FORMER JOHN WHITGIFT STUDENT



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During my time at John Whitgift academy I studied: French, Art, Product design, Science, Maths, English, Music, History and eventually left with the following qualifications: Science: AA, Maths: 7, English: 6/7, Art: B, Product design: B, French: B, ECDL: Distinction*

I felt the support at John Whitgift Academy gave me a good stepping stone into FE/HE. The teachers who I can name who gave me aspirations to move forward were Mr Bright, Ms McDonald and Mr Tuffnell as my head of year.

I studied Graphic Design, Fine Art and French at A Level. I was very unsure whether I wanted to go to university or take an apprenticeship. However, staff at Franklin College were always supportive of me during the process of preparing me for university because they had been through the same process themselves so gave me truthful advice and tips.

I am currently studying graphic design at the University of Lincoln and I hope to move into a career as a graphic designer.

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EBONY SCRIMSHAW
FORMER JOHN WHITGIFT STUDENT



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During my time at John Whitgift academy I studied Engineering and Product Design, eventually leaving with the following qualifications; 7 in Maths, A in Additional Science, A in Science, 5 in English, Merit in Engineering, C in Product Design, B in Geography.

I felt the support at John Whitgift academy gave me a good stepping stone into FE/HE. The teachers who I can name who gave me aspirations to move forward were Mr Bee, Mr Burkill, Mrs Westerman-smith and Mr Tuffnell as my head of year.

The staff at HETA were always supportive of me during the process of preparing me for university. The staff in my dedicated area of study were particularly good because they emphasised the importance of asking a question if you are unsure of something, just ask.

I am currently in my 2nd year of HNC while in full time employment, hopefully to move onto HND with the potential of completing a degree in Electrical Engineering.

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LIAM SMITH
FORMER JOHN WHITGIFT STUDENT



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During my time at John Whitgift academy I studied triple science, music and French as my options and eventually left with the following qualifications: four Bs, three As and two A*s. I felt the support at John Whitgift academy gave me a good stepping stone into FE/HE. The teachers who gave me aspirations to move forward were Mrs. Le Bon and Mr. White. Mrs. Le Bon was my science teacher throughout my time at Whitgift and always believed in me. When she left on maternity leave Mr. White taught me for the remainder of year 11. He kept my love for science going and encouraged me to push harder, and of course Mr. Tuffnell, who was my head of year, kept my spirits high throughout my school life despite the personal issues that were going on at home.

My time at Franklin College varied with regards to supportiveness from the staff. My maths teacher was brilliant and always believed I would achieve an A. However, when it came to me applying for University my tutor was anything but supportive. She told me not to apply as my predicted grades didn't meet the required grades for Neuroscience. I decided to take the risk as they're only predicted grades and I wasn't going to let anyone tell me I wasn't going to reach my career goal. My decision was the right one to follow as all five of my choices gave me conditional offers (two of which being Leeds and Manchester). Whatever career goal you have please don't let anyone put you down or try and tell you you won't get there.

Currently I am at the University Centre Grimsby completing the Access to Higher Education Diploma as the exams were changed, I didn't achieve the grades I needed to hold my place at Leeds University. So, despite this, I persevered with my studies and am determined to be studying Neuroscience at Leeds University in 2020.

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LUCY ELLIS
FORMER JOHN WHITGIFT STUDENT



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During my time at John Whitgift academy I studied English language, English literature, maths, science, sport, French, ECDL, health and social care. Eventually left with the following qualifications A*, B, 5, 5, 4, C, D, D.

I felt the support at John Whitgift academy gave me a good stepping stone into FE/HE. The teacher who I can name who gave me aspirations to move forward is Mr Tuffnell as my head of year and my personal tutor who I used to turn to for help and guidance.

The staff at Franklin College were always supportive of me during the process of preparing me for university. The staff in my dedicated area of study were particularly good because they helped me with my future paths so I achieved the grades I needed to get there.

I am studying for the Criminology at university and hope to move into a career in the police.

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FORMER JOHN WHITGIFT STUDENT



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During my time at John Whitgift academy I studied English Literature, English Language, Maths, Science, Additional Science, History, Art and Design, and ICT and eventually left with the following qualifications: English Literature 5, English Language 4, Mathematics 4, Science C, Additional Science C, History D, Art and Design B, ICT Distinction. I felt the support at John Whitgift academy gave me a good stepping stone into FE/HE. The teachers who I can name who gave me aspirations to move forward were Miss Rowe, Miss Westerman-Smith, Miss Westerman, Miss Giorgiou, Miss McCloskey and Mr Tuffnell as my head of year.

The staff at Franklin College were always supportive of me during the process of preparing me for university. The staff in my dedicated area of study were particularly good because they opened up my mind to see a future career in the creative industry.

I am studying for the following qualifications at university Graphic Design (BA Hons) and hope to move into a career in Graphic Design / Illustration.

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OWEN KIMBLE
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During my time at John Whitgift Academy I studied the core subjects along with music GCSE and geography GCSE, and the qualifications I attained were DS*, two A's, two B's, an 8, a 6 and a 5. The support I was provided, especially in year 11, was a major contributing factor to helping me achieve my goals and move onto further education. The teachers that I remember most for being very supporting were my maths teacher, Miss Summerton, and my music teacher, Miss Thomas. Mr Spendlow and Mr Tuffnell were also extremely supportive, and without the guidance I was provided I wouldn't be where I am today.

The staff at Franklin College were very helpful in preparing me for university as they not only provided the content I needed for exams, but they also provided experiences to fully prepare me as best as they could for the future. I am grateful for all the opportunities I was given in the 2 years I studied here.

I am currently in my 1st year at the University of Lincoln studying for a degree in Mathematics, hoping to move into a career in teaching sixth form/A-level maths.

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RYAN HILL
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During my time at John Whitgift academy I studied GCSE Maths, Double Award Science, English Language, English Literature, German, RE, GNVQ ICT and Manufacturing and eventually left with the following qualifications A*, AA, A, A, B, A, Merit (BBBB), Pass (CC) respectively.

I felt the support at John Whitgift academy gave me a good stepping stone into FE (Grimsby College) and HE (University of Hull). The teachers who gave me aspirations to move forward were Mr Crowley (Maths teacher for 5 years), Mr Rushby (my Principal between Y9 – Y11), Mrs Thomas (English Language and Literature), Mr Guillett (Science teacher) and Mr Priestley (form tutor Y7 – Y9) and Mr Boxer (form tutor Y10 – Y11).

The staff at Grimsby College were always supportive of me during the process of preparing me for university. The staff in my dedicated area of study were particularly good because in my A Level Mathematics studies they enabled me to become an independent learner; attending seminars and classes I had chosen to take rather than being expected to take compared to GCSE. My AVCE ICT teachers were also exceptional in enabling me to understand the importance of using research to support evidence in a very heavy coursework based qualification.

I studied BSc Degree in Mathematics at University with the initial hope to move into a career in the RAF (to become a Training Officer) teaching potential pilots A Level Mathematics. However, in my final year of University I took a course called "Teaching for Undergraduates in Schools" and had the pleasure of visiting a secondary school every Friday afternoon. It was only then, at 20 years of age, I knew I definitely wanted to teach Mathematics but in schools, serving a local community, rather than serving in the forces. September 2019 is now the start of my 13th year of teaching and I have had the opportunity of teaching in four different schools; as a Maths teacher, two separate occasions as Head of Department and now in my role of Director of Maths for DELTA Academies Trust.

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STEVE BATTS
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I am studying for the following qualifications at university (MA) French and Linguistics and hope to move into a career in teaching.

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HEATHER AITKEN
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