



Business, Economics, and Computing

The current position

Business is a prominent subject within the school which has performed at consistently high levels with cohorts of students at KS4 and KS5. The department delivers a range of courses in both KS4 and KS5 Business Studies and Economics.

Business Studies Staffing

Mrs Debbie Meade
Mr James Stewart
Miss Jemma Virgin
Mr Alex Roadhouse

Computing Staffing

Mr Stefan Cook
Mrs Pauline Barry

Facilities

With the school just over 20 years old and the IT rooms revamped in 2018 the area of the school that Business Studies fully modernised and equipped with smart boards, smart TVs and IT equipment readily available. We are very lucky to have these facilities and with the sixth form common room and working areas close by it creates a very calm and aspirational area to teach in.

What happens in the Department?

- Strong emphasis on learning in a real world / business context for all activities and focus on enterprise through the curriculum
- Close links with industry and local business
- High expectations of students behaviour and high levels of challenge in lessons
- Strong and effective use of computing in lessons to enrich students learning
- There are high quality procedures for assessment of students
- Achievement by pupils is consistently higher than the local and national averages at KS4 and KS5
- Teaching is consistently good or outstanding
- There is strong leadership and management of the department

What do students learn?

Students are taught AQA GCSE in Business Studies and A level. We also offer the BTEC in Enterprise which has proven very popular in recent years. At KS5 we offer A-Levels in Business, Economics and BTEC L3 in Business. Due to the range of courses available we are able to accommodate students with various strengths and preferences.

Come and visit us.....

For an informal chat or to see the department at work,
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