

## **Department Information**

The business and economics department is made up of a team of three members of enthusiastic and friendly teaching staff. We deliver GCSE Edexcel Business, A level Edexcel Business and the Btec Nationals in Business and Enterprise Diploma worth two A levels. Alongside this we also teach A Level Economics with AQA.

We are a dynamic and strong team who complement each other with our skills and specialisms, teaching is often split to allow teachers to focus on specific elements such as finance and operations or marketing and human resource management. We run a range of enterprise events including a wreath making project and Young Enterprise 10X Challenge and we hope to run visits including the Bank of England and the tutor2U revision workshops in future years.

Our lessons are popular with many students joining us at GCSE and progressing to the A Level qualification. Numbers at A Level are increasingly growing in both business and economics A Level. The Btec course is also growing as a recognised alternative for those students preferring a coursework based assessment as opposed to 100% exam. As a double award, this is a main focus within the department and an area we are keen to develop further.

We have a wide range of resources for all lessons, assessments and independent learning activities all of which are shared across the team and provided on the school portal and Microsoft Teams for students to access. We offer a number of additional catch up and revision sessions to further support our students in succeeding in the subject. We share an office with other social science subjects including law, psychology and sociology as well as an admin assistant.

The department has designated subject teaching rooms, two ICT rooms and 30 laptops available for booking. Each room has a projector, and every teacher has a laptop to make use of the school network and interactive white boards. Wireless internet access is available throughout the department and many software packages are installed on the school network.