

Economics & Business Department

The Economics and Business department has seen significant growth over the last few years as both A level, IB and GCSE being offered.

Resources

Our pupils have access to a range of up-to-date publications, digital texts and magazines, and we have a comprehensive range of reference books for specialist use by teachers and pupils.

The department makes extensive use of its own IT facilities. Office, PowerPoint and the interactive smart board are used in our teaching, as well as a number of business simulations. Pupils have access to CD-ROMs (Guardian, FT, Economist), and incorporate the internet into all our teaching programmes.

Examination subjects

GCSE Business

The department provides a two-year GCSE Business Studies course and a one-year pre-gcse Business course in year 9.

A2 Business (CIE) Economics (OCR) A2

This continued growth of the Sixth form has resulted in two A level courses being offered. Pupil uptake is very high with typically one class of Economics and two classes of Business Studies in each year group.

IB Economics (IBO)

This was introduced in September 06 and has quickly become a well-established component of the IB programme. The course is offered at both Standard and Higher level. It is operating as two teaching groups (Higher and Standard) in both year 12 & 13 and the teaching will be split as required.

On-line Curriculum (VLE)

The department is rolling out a programme of having all teaching and learning material available for pupils to download or access away from the classroom. This is in the development stage but will be a cornerstone of our future operations. There is an active Twitter account for our business and economics students to keep up to date with current affairs.