

Business Education Department

Business Education is diverse and forward thinking department, and is a popular choice for GCSE and A level options. The curriculum area includes:

- Accounting at A Level
- Business Studies at A Level
- Economics at GCSE
- Economics at A level
- Law at A Level

The department has an excellent track record in public examinations. It is based in four well-resourced, teaching rooms and has a dedicated department office. Each of the teaching rooms has an interactive whiteboard and PC.

Links with industry are encouraged to enable our students to gain a 'real' insight into business, the economy and the law.

Flexibility of approach, a sense of fun, a readiness to respond to students' individual needs, and an enthusiastic, open approach to teaching are among the qualities we are looking for. We seek a colleague who is passionate and knowledgeable about their subject and is willing to teach in more than one disciplines in the department. An ability to communicate knowledge, skills and enthusiasm to their students, are essential. This is an exciting time for all of us and a fantastic opportunity for a new colleague to join our thriving Business Education department which offers a broad portfolio of subjects.

Curriculum

At GCSE, Economics is offered as a two year option in Year 9 (to be completed in Year 10) and in Year 10 (to be completed in Year 11). At Key Stage 5, A levels in Accounting, Business Studies, Economics and Law are offered. In addition, the department organises and runs extensive Enterprise and Work-Related Learning activities for Key Stages 3, 4 and 5.

The examination board for all A Level and GCSE subjects is AQA. Numbers of students opting to study for subjects in the department are very healthy; there are approximately 400 students in Years 12 and 13 studying in the department and over 200 students across Years 9, 10 and 11.

Mathematics Department Information

Mathematics is a forward-looking department that is involved in a number of borough-wide initiatives. It is the leading Mathematics Department within the local authority, and adds considerable value to already high-achieving students. Exam outcomes have consistently out-performed other local schools at GCSE and A Level.

The Department currently has twelve teachers with a good balance of specialist knowledge and experience. The department is led by the Head of Mathematics who delegates responsibilities to three Key Stage Coordinators. The Department is very well resourced with eight subject-designated teaching



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rooms and a staff workroom which houses an extensive resource area. All rooms are fully networked with interactive whiteboard technology and visualizers and the department has access to four ICT suites which can each support up to 32 students at one sitting.

KS3 students are taught by specialist teachers for three 50 minutes periods a week. From Year 8 students are set into ability groups which become more refined as the key stage progresses. We encourage all our students to participate in enrichment activities such as the Mathematics Club, the Junior Mathematics Challenge and Mathematics Olympiads where they have performed most creditably. We also offer Master classes to some Year 9 students at Haberdashers' Aske's.

At KS4 students take the GCSE examinations in Year 11, but A Level materials are used to stretch and challenge. Large numbers of students take A Level maths in the sixth form and the best mathematicians study Further Mathematics.