

## **BUSINESS STUDIES & IT AT BAYSGARTH**

Business Studies is the most successful option subject at Baysgarth School, both in terms of numbers and outcomes. Roughly 70% of students choose Business as an option and there are 14 option classes of Business in the school. Outcomes for Business are outstanding every year, with a Progress 8 figure of +2.0 or higher, achieved consistently.

The team consists of two full time Business specialists, who are both Assistant Head Teachers. There are three other Business teachers, who are non-specialists. This appointment comes about as the result of the expansion of the department and the desire to appoint another high quality subject specialist, to ensure all lessons are delivered by specialists.

Therefore, this post would suit any teacher who wants to develop their skills surrounded by some of the most effective practitioners in the country, who would provide the support and expertise to enable the successful candidate to deliver consistently outstanding lessons. As the department continues to expand, it is anticipated that within two years the Business department will have its own Head of Department position, so the post would also suit an ambitious teacher looking for a leadership post in the near future.

All Business lessons are taught in specialist IT classrooms and the course is fully resourced with students working through Google Classroom. We follow the Pearson BTEC Level 1/Level 2 Tech Award in Enterprise, which allows students to compare local businesses and then plan, pitch and run their own business idea. The department runs several trips as part of its curriculum offer, including trips to two local businesses, as well as to Meadow Hall and Alton Towers.

Baysgarth School does not currently have an IT specialist and we are seeking a candidate with the skills and ambition to grow this area of the school. The successful candidate will have the opportunity to design a KS3 curriculum from scratch which could cover, e-safety, media and communication skills, IT skills and Computer Science, depending on the skills and knowledge of the successful applicant. We expect the successful candidate to grow this into the delivery of KS4 IT courses. Therefore, this is an exciting opportunity for an ambitious teacher to create their own courses, leading to them becoming a Head of Department within a couple of years.