



Devonport High School For Boys

Teacher of Business and Economics

The department

There are currently five experienced teachers of Business, Economics, and Computing in the department who operate within a strongly supportive team framework where everyone is valued. A culture of joint planning and the continual exploration and sharing of teaching and learning opportunities is enthusiastically pursued. The department is well abreast of current issues in enterprise based subject teaching and is committed to pursuing appropriate developments through INSET. The department is continuing to grow with Business and Economics being a very popular choice at both GCSE and A level within the school.

The department is highly successful at GCSE and A level with students accepted at Oxford and Cambridge universities to read Economics and Management based subjects.

Resources

The department has many resources available to support the curriculum and is expanding due to its popularity. The department has dedicated IT rooms, access to its own Chromebooks and Business teaching rooms with computer and presentation facilities. We also work closely with neighbouring schools to build schemes of learning and to share good practice.

Curriculum

Year 7 and 8 students have one Business and Enterprise lesson each week which seeks to develop their entrepreneurial, IT and computer science capabilities.

Year 9 students have two 60 minute periods each week to introduce them to the concepts of Business Studies. They study and run their own social enterprises over the course of the year.

At GCSE there are four 60 minute periods per fortnight throughout the course. We deliver the GCSE business course with outstanding results over the last five years.

In the Sixth Form there are eight 60 minute periods per subject per fortnight in Years 12 and 13. Groups are mixed as students are drawn from DHSB and neighbouring schools in Plymouth as part of the local consortium.

The Economics and Business course also follows the Edexcel specification; students are encouraged to realise their potential through the combined hard work both of themselves and staff.