

# Gordon's School Business Education Department

# Introduction

The Business Department currently consists of 3 full time teachers, we currently have 105 students who are studying Business A-Level with us and an additional 120 who are studying GCSE Business across Year 10 and 11.

### **GCSE/A Level Courses**

Gordon's Business Studies departments follows 2 different specifications.

### Edexcel Examination Board is used for:

A Level Business (9BS0) (NB students are not entered for an AS Level in Business at the end of Year 12).

# Cambridge OCR Examination Board is used for:

GCSE Business 9-1 (J204) for Years 10 and 11.

# **Examination results (2025)**

Examination results in the Business department are consistently high across all specifications. These results reflect the academic nature of the Department and the high expectations placed upon both our staff and students.

### **Business GCSE results:**

| Business<br>GCSE | 9   | 8   | 7   | 6   | 5   | 4  | 9-7 | 9-5 |
|------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
|                  | 11% | 13% | 24% | 16% | 23% | 7% | 48% | 87% |

## **Business A Level results:**

| Business<br>A-Level | A* | Α   | В   | С   | A*-A | A*-B |
|---------------------|----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|
|                     | 9% | 16% | 49% | 26% | 25%  | 74%  |

# **Extra-curricular activities in Business and Enterprise**

We run several high-profile activities across the school. For example, we host a Dragons' Den Event for GCSE Business Studies students where students are given the opportunity to compete against one another and present their ideas in front of external judges. In addition to this, we also run Business Enterprise for key stage 3 and 4.

Additionally, at KS3, we have previously participated in the Scholastic Bookfair Challenge for Year 7 and 8 students and the MOSAIC Business Challenge, where our Year 9 students participated in the national finals of this competition.

There are business trips to Cadbury's World and the Mini Factory in Oxford. We also regularly use guest speakers and local entrepreneurs to enhance the curriculum for all Business students.