

## **BTEC Business**

### **Course Summary**

This course is an excellent progression from GCSE Business, where students are already used to a course that places heavy weight on understanding theory and relating it to real time businesses. By following the same exam board at both levels, students find that this course builds on what they already know and while to vocation tasks built into the course develops the student's ability to present to boards, plan and execute events to a high standard, while grounding the theory in the business world that they love within these om hand tasks and through the submission of assignments. Students with grade 5 or above in GCSE Business may take this qualification. Those not studying GCSE Business, could consider the course if they can demonstrate suitability through other courses (as detailed in the Sixth Form prospectus). While some opt for Btec Business because it's a must for a future career, many take the subject because they love business, enjoy knowing more and see it as one of their best opportunities to open up a multitude of possibilities when looking at options which will help them progress to the next stage of their life.

### **Course Overview**

BTEC Business is designed for applied learners who may prefer a balance between exams and assignment work. It brings together knowledge and understanding with practical and technical skills. It is designed to be a learner-centred approach. Learners achieve through performing vocational tasks that encourage the development of appropriate vocational behaviours and transferable skills. Transferable skills are those such as communication, teamwork, research and analysis, which are valued in both higher education and the workplace. This course entails flexible, unit-based structure and knowledge applied in project-based assessments. The focus of the qualification is on a holistic development of the practical, interpersonal and thinking skills required to be able to succeed.

It is important to highlight that assessment is throughout the course and the first assessed work begins within weeks of starting in Year 12. This course therefore suits learners who are good independent learners at the outset.