



## Business Studies and Economics Department Information

### Staffing

- The Business and Economics Department have four staff members who teach Business Studies and Economics.

### Responsibilities within the Business and Economics Department

- The Head of Business and Economics is currently assisted by 3 members of staff
- The Curriculum Team Leader for Business and Economics is responsible for the vision and ethos of the area, curriculum and examination policy, staff wellbeing and staff development, finance and student engagement. This also includes monitoring standards of teaching and learning, the organisation of schemes of work, liaison with Learning Managers and liaising with the Senior Leadership Team with regards to resourcing and curriculum development.

### Curricular Policy

#### a) Key Stage 4 (Years 9 - 11)

- Business Studies is one of the most popular option subjects at The Bromfords School and Sixth Form College. There are currently ten Key Stage 4 Business Studies classes. Students have three hours of Business Studies per week. Students in Year 9 and 10 complete the BTEC Technical Award in Enterprise or the Edexcel GCSE Business Studies course. Student success is high and in 2018 92% of students achieved A\*-C or equivalent in BTEC Business. The first cohort of students on the new 9-1 GCSE Business Studies students are currently in Year 10.

#### b) Key Stage 5 (Years 12 and 13)

- In Years 12 and 13, students may study Edexcel BTEC National Business level 3 and/or AQA GCE Economics. Economics results at the school have been continually strong. In terms of Business Studies, there are 6 Business Studies groups operating including the BTEC National Extended Certificate and Diploma in Business. Results for Business Studies courses are rated ALPS 2 for single and ALPS 3 for double, in the top 25% of providers nationally.

### Setting

Business Studies and Economics classes are taught in mixed ability groupings, with learning support assistants for students requiring additional support. The same LSA is allocated to each group which enhances continuity, progress and achievement.

### Courses

- Edexcel BTEC Technical Award in Enterprise L2
- Edexcel GCSE Business Studies
- AQA GCE Economics
- Edexcel BTEC National in Business L3

### Departmental Accommodation

- Excellent facilities including new computers in each Business/Economics room.
- All Business and Economics teachers are located in the Business/Economics/ICT block.
- All staff have a laptop