

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Welcome to Business Studies at PGS 2024-25

I am extremely pleased that your son / daughter has chosen one of the most relevant options possible to the outside world..... the World of Business.

As part of their studies, we encourage all students to follow regularly, the National and International news in particular the BBC Business News website. They can do this by downloading the BBC News app on their smartphone or tablet. It would also be extremely beneficial if you are able to chat and encourage them to take notice of current affairs and watch the news daily. Any background knowledge they acquire, feeds naturally into almost every lesson where students may be asked about how a current business story links to the theory that they are learning.

Essential Equipment and Resources

We do require all students to equip themselves with an **A4 Leaver Arch file**. We will provide all of the dividers inside, plastic wallets etc. **Also, we request that each student buys an Edexcel GCSE Business revision guide plus the A5 Pocket Knowledge Organiser and AND Retriever** for their personal use.

These are available from the school shop and can be ordered via Parent Pay.

Students can then annotate and highlight different aspects of the course and also complete the retrieval pocket book as they complete the course and use the revision guide to support their answers. The entire course is based around these publications so all are invaluable for their studies.

All 3 books can be bought for a considerable discount making it **£7.50 for all** 3 publications. We are also developing the school Intranet that will provide additional materials and videos linked to the course.

All payments of **£7.50 can made using Parent Pay** or your son/daughter can pay for them using their usual bio-scan. Look for **GCSE Business Bundle – Edexcel** on Parent Pay. If this could be done by **Friday 13th September 2024**, it would be much appreciated as the course gathers pace after the first couple of weeks.

I am very much looking forward to working with your son / daughter in preparing them for their future careers in business and commerce.

Yours faithfully

Mr R Staniforth
Subject Leader
Business & Economics

