Business	
Teacher in charge of subject	Mrs Potts
Type of qualification	Level 3 Cambridge Technical Extended Certificate in Business
Exam board and subject code	OCR 05834
Entry requirements	
Specific subject requirement	Grade 4 in GCSE Business or Merit in BTEC Business if subject
	studied at KS4.
	Otherwise Grade 4 in GCSE Maths and English
Course details	

You will study 3 mandatory units:

- The business environment
- Working in business
- Customers and communication

And select an additional 2 units from a range of subjects such as Law, Accounting, International Business, Project Management etc.

You will learn how a business might evolve. From a small start-up business to a large multinational organisation, consider a range of different business types and gain an understanding of how the choice of business type might affect the objectives that are set. You will also look at the internal workings of businesses, including their internal structure and how different functional areas work together. Plus, by looking at the external constraints under which a business must operate, you will gain an understanding of the legal, financial and ethical factors that have an impact. You will also explore ways in which businesses respond to changes in their economic, social and technological environment; and gain an appreciation of the influence different stakeholders can have upon a business.

It is strongly advised that you do not opt for both Business and Economics courses due to the content overlap of the subjects. Studying both may limit your progression options for higher education.

Assessment

Unit 1: The Business Environment – worth 120 Points (external exam)

Unit 2: Working in Business – worth 60 Points (external exam)

Unit 4: Customers & Communication – worth 60 points (coursework)

Plus two optional units (yet to be confirmed) – worth in total 60 points each

Examples of Optional Units:

Unit 9: Introduction to Human Resources – worth 60 points (coursework)

Unit 3: Business Decisions (external exam)

Career options

The business world values the ability to research, analyse and evaluate information in order to make effective decisions and this course will equip you to gain these vital skills. Alongside this you will develop practical employability skills, including the ability to communicate effectively with both internal and external stakeholders, and to manage your time effectively.

Cambridge Technicals provide a strong base for progression to university, apprenticeships or employment and are recognised for UCAS tariff points. Past Business students have also gone on to study Business related apprenticeships for Network Rail, Bentley & local firms. Alternatively students may go on to study a variety of Business and/or Economics related degrees at university. Business also combines well with Accounting, Politics, Geography, Law and Foreign languages at degree level. A wide range of career options naturally follow from studying Business. For instance – Retail Management, Human Resource Management, Marketing and Commercial Banking.