

Economics	
Teacher in charge of subject	Mrs Potts
Type of qualification	A level
Exam board and subject code	Edexcel 9EBO
Entry requirements	
Specific subject requirement	Grade 5 in GCSE Maths & English. However the willingness to read regularly and write frequently are also essential.
Course details	
<p>Economics is about real world issues that matter. Questions such as ‘What impact does the economy have on the business world?’ and ‘Why do some economies grow and others don’t?’ will be covered.</p> <p>You will be introduced to the nature of economics, how markets work and why they fail, consumer choices and enterprise in the economy. You will also consider the role of banks and life in a global economy. (Themes 1 & 2)</p> <p>You will explore the impact of globalisation on consumers, firms and the labour market. You will also investigate the role of the government and have an opportunity to consider the role and impact of the financial sector. (Themes 3 & 4)</p> <p>Through the study of Economics we will be debating economic issues such as inequality, immigration and how we should pay for healthcare. We will be using and interpreting data to analyse economic problems. We also will be discussing alternative courses of action, such as how to use tradeable permits to reduce pollution and we will be keeping up to date with national and international trends.</p> <p>An interest and passion for the Economy and World affairs would be beneficial. Economics works very well with many other subject areas, as the course stems from Humanities as well as Maths.</p> <p>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.</p>	
Assessment	
<p>100% externally assessed.</p> <p>There are 3, 2 hour exams at the end of the course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper 1 – Theme 1 & 3; accounts for 35% of the A level • Paper 2 – Theme 2 & 4; accounts for 35% of the A level • Paper 3 – All 4 themes; accounts for 30% of the A level 	
Career options	
<p>Economics is a popular degree at University, and can be studied on its own, or combined with a variety of other subjects such as accountancy, a foreign language or geography. The study of Economics at A Level can also lead into other degree subjects such as Business and Finance. It also leads to possible careers in: the Civil Service, Insurance; Management, Accountancy, Retail and Finance.</p>	