

## **BUSINESS STUDIES AT SETTLE COLLEGE**

This is an opportunity for a suitable candidate to join an increasingly popular subject area at KS4 and KS5.

Business Studies sits within the Humanities Faculty and is led by Simon Murphy, ably supported by two non-business specialists who share one GCSE option class between them.

Pupils can opt for Business Studies at GCSE in Year 9, 10 or 11. Classes consist of a mixture of all of these year groups as we follow the stage not age curriculum. Currently Business Studies is very popular with 86 pupils studying the course this year.

We follow the EdExcel GCSE in Business Studies course (2BS01) and complete the course in 1 academic year.

At Key Stage 4, we utilise a wealth of electronic resources. Students have access to a varied diet of learning experiences. Our classrooms are arranged in such a way as to promote student discussion and teamwork. We are all keen to seek out business video examples and internet sites and regularly discuss and update our resource bank. The main Business Studies teaching room comes equipped with a Smart interactive whiteboard. In addition, we have good access to computer suites. The room will be fully refurbished in the summer of 2012.

At Key Stage 5, we offer EdExcel Economics and Business at AS and A2 (8EB01). This is a popular course and has produced excellent results. Last year 75% of students achieved an A\*/B grade at A2. Again, the department is well resourced with textbooks and electronic materials.

The Business department has over the past few years run successful enterprise activities aimed at promoting entrepreneurial qualities in our pupils. It gives us great pride and pleasure to see many of our pupils leave Settle College to pursue Business related degree courses or seek vocational job placements.

**Simon Murphy**  
**Faculty Leader**