

IBEC

INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS ENTERPRISE CENTRE

New International Business Enterprise Centre (IBEC), officially opened by Mr Roger Berry, MP for Kingswood

On Wednesday, 7th October 2009, the new International Business Enterprise Centre (IBEC) was officially opened by Mr Roger Berry, MP for Kingswood. The International Business Enterprise Centre has been developed to deliver the Business Administration and Finance Diploma from 2009/10 and in preparation for the Retail and Business Diploma which the school will lead as from September 2010.

The IBEC has been designed as a series of 'flexible' spaces that can be established as classrooms, drama/theatre areas, simulated office and production/retail facilities, 'shop' areas for mini-enterprises, or sub-divided into a business complex including boardroom and ICT support services. The original lower canteen has been converted into an Internet Cafe/Conference Centre and coupled with new toilet facilities offers a wide range of opportunities to the school's students and for local community groups and businesses. The whole facility is served by dual-use Apple Mac laptops and conference projection equipment.



The inaugural event co-incident with Mr Roger Berry's visit when the whole of our Year 9 took part in a Creative Arts event linked to the visiting IROKO (African dance/drama/music) group and 30 Bath Spa University art undergraduates who ran a series of large shows and workshops. This is the second year running when Bath Spa University students have organised and run 'enterprising learning' experiences for students at The Grange School and Sports College.

Our current Year 11 Creative and Media Diploma students are at present planning the next major event to be run

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through the International Business Enterprise Centre as part of the business elements of their course. They will be hosting an evening showcase of their Diploma work which will take place in a few weeks time. Details of the events will be advertised on the school's website.

The IBEC is only one of four major new facilities at the school and details of the new Music Room, CAD/CAM facilities in Design Technology and the new Environment and Land Based Studies area will be brought to you via the school's website and through the school's magazine, 'The Grapevine'.



The development of new examination courses and facilities have made a significant contribution to The Grange School and Sports College's continual trend of improvement, with the school achieving its best ever results in 2009 (many of which exceeded the challenging/aspirational FFT D targets). These Key Stage 4 results are outlined below which update those available at the time of printing the 2009/10 School Prospectus.

5 A*-C	-	62%	(target : 61%)
5 A*-C with English & Maths	-	40%	(target: 41%)
5 A*-G	-	96%	(target: 93%)
Average points score per student	-	470	(target: 378)

We are immensely proud of these achievements from 2008/09 and look forward to another highly successful year in 2009/10. News of all types of achievement will be displayed on the school's website, which is regularly updated in the 'Latest News' and 'Sporting News' sections.

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