

## Walthamstow Academy – Business & Enterprise Curriculum Journey

## **Our Curriculum Intent**

Our Business and Enterprise curriculum gives all of our students an understanding and insight into the world of work, specifically the ways in which businesses are established, run and how they benefit society. Our curriculum makes our students think independently and curiously about the way the world works: its economies, its people, and its ethics. We provide our students with opportunities to analyse existing businesses, develop their enterprise skills and creativity, apply their mathematical knowledge and grow and develop into young adults who appreciate how financial and business markets work.

- Investigation of existing businesses
- Case studies and scenarios
- Research into existing businesses
- Analysis and evaluation of financial data
- Business design

In sequencing our curriculum we aim to introduce new content and business theory alongside developing the complexity within topics the students study. For example, students in Year 10 are taught the basics of business ownerships, such as the difference between sole traders and limited companies. In year 11, students apply this knowledge to real life scenarios in order to evaluate the strengths and limitations of these different types of business model. By the time they are studying business in the sixth form, students make reasoned judgements on the financial and legal implications of setting up or developing these business models in different aspects of the real business world. The business curriculum is sequenced to enable students to learn new content in small steps and then apply their learning to various scenarios, hopefully creating the entrepreneurs and business leaders of the future.

## KS4

At Key Stage 4 we methodically sequence the curriculum in order to ensure that students develop their knowledge and understanding of the business world and core business analysis tools. This then enables students to approach business studies in greater depth and more complexity in year 11, when they consider the ethical and moral considerations that establish businesses have to make and also use reasoned judgements to evaluate these decisions.

We start the Key Stage with introducing the fundamentals of business, such as ownership, finance and marketing inro order to establish a core business knowledge that students can then draw upon and develop over the course of their studies.

From the beginning of year 10, students develop their research and analysis skills in investigating local businesses. This local focus gives them confidence, and a full contextual understanding of business fundamentals and this then enables them to then analyse national and international business with confidence later in the Key Stage.

Key Stage 4 introduces the business curriculum to students, building on their studies within various disciplines across Key Stage 3: their numerical skills from maths lessons, their literacy skills from English, their presentation skills from drama, their investigation skills from geography and their analysis of source material from history. Although the content of the business curriculum is new to our students, the vast majority of skills they need to access the curriculum have been established and developed in Key Stage 3.

Term	Curriculum Content	(assessment title, duration and approx date)	(Places to visit; wider reading; clubs to join)
In Year 10 enterprise out about Enterprise aversion, i opportunit	Learners will explore different enterprises to develop their knowledge and understanding of and the skills needed by entrepreneurs to be successful. Learners will explore how enterp their customer needs and competitor behaviour and how internal and external factors may is the set of skills and characteristics that an entrepreneur requires in order to be innovative nitrophysical needs and dedication. It is also the name given to a small start-up business. In Year 1 ty to develop knowledge and understanding of how the activities undertaken by micro, small ong with the characteristics and skills of the entrepreneurs who run them, support the aims	of the characteristics of rises use market research to find raffect enterprises re, including creativity, risk-10 learners will have the all and medium-sized enterprises	
Year 10 HT1	Unit Title: Understand how and why enterprises and entrepreneurs are successful Students will learn about: Size and features of SMEs  • Size of SMEs to ranging from Micro to Medium  • 5 Types of profit-making enterprises  • Features of SMEs to include: Sectors and business models in which enterprises operate  • Different sectors and business models, including:  • Different industries in which enterprises operate  Students use their Research and Investigative skills to study 5 small Business Enterprises. They make decisions about the different Characteristics of the Enterprises	Summative Assessment Exploring Enterprises – Learning Aim A  Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	BTEC Tech Award Textbook  Links to Business Websites in Teaching Slides  Local Business Visits
Year 10 HT2	Unit Title: Understand how and why enterprises and entrepreneurs are successful Students will learn about:  Aims and activities of enterprises  Aims of enterprises to include: Impact of activities in supporting the aims of enterprises Impact of failing to undertake these activities success  Skills and characteristics of entrepreneurs Reasons why entrepreneurs start their own enterprise Impact of the skills and characteristics of the entrepreneur in helping to support	Summative Assessment Exploring Enterprises – Learning Aim A  Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	BTEC Tech Award Textbook  Links to Business Websites in Teaching Slides  Interview Local Entrepreneurs

Assessment(s)

**Extra-Curricular Options** 

	Students will learn what Skills and Characteristics a successful Entrepreneur will possess and Self Assess their own Skill set.		
	Unit Title: Understand customer needs and competitor behaviour through market research		BTEC Tech Award Textbook
	Students will learn about/ develop skills of:		Links to Business Websites in
	Market research methods	Summative Assessment Exploring Enterprises – Learning	Teaching Slides
Voor 10	<ul> <li>Benefits and drawbacks of a range of primary research methods used by enterprises to include:</li> </ul>	Aim B	
Year 10 HT3	<ul> <li>Benefits and drawbacks of a range of secondary research methods used by enterprises to include:</li> </ul>	Non-exam internal assessment	ONS Website
	Understanding customer needs	set by Pearson, marked by the	
	The importance of the information that primary and secondary research	centre and moderated by Pearson.	
	Students will study a range of Market Research Methods and Evaluate their usefulness to Micro Businesses.		
	Unit Title: : Understand customer needs and competitor behaviour through market		BTEC Tech Award Textbook
	research  Students will learn about/ develop skills of:	Summative Assessment	Links to Business Websites in Teaching Slides
	Understanding competitor behaviour  • Understanding the market:	Exploring Enterprises – Learning Aim B	Local Competitor Websites
Year 10 HT4	Competitive advantage:	Non-exam internal assessment	www.bized.co.uk
	<ul> <li>Suitability of market research methods</li> <li>Suitability of market research methods that could help the enterprise in gaining further information to include:</li> </ul>	set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	www.businesscasestudies.co.uk
	Students learn about the importance of Competitors to Enterprises and study how to compete effectively.		
Year 10 HT5	Unit Title: Understand how the outcomes of situational analyses may affect enterprises  Students will learn about/ develop skills of:	Summative Assessment Exploring Enterprises – Learning Aim C	BTEC Tech Award Textbook

	<ul> <li>PEST (Political, Economic, Social, Technological) analysis</li> <li>Recommendations for actions that enterprises could take based on research</li> <li>and analysis of the following factors:         <ul> <li>Suitability of recommendations made according to the potential positive and negative impact on costs and revenues.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Students use their Analytical Skills to assess the impact of Internal &amp; External Influences using Situational Analysis Models.</li> </ul>	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	Links to Business Websites in Teaching Slides		
	Unit Title: Understand how the outcomes of situational analyses may affect enterprises Students will learn about/ develop skills of: SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) analysis	Summative Assessment Exploring Enterprises – Learning Aim C	BTEC Tech Award Textbook  Links to Business Websites in  Teaching Slides		
Year 10 HT6	<ul> <li>Impact of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats ba</li> <li>Ability to react to the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats according to the potential positive and negative impact on costs and revenues</li> <li>Students learn how to evaluate and make judgements about a Businesses using tools such as SWOT Analysis.</li> </ul>	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	www.businesscasestudies.co.uk		
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	to put them into practice. Any enterprise needs to plan how it will succeed through working out how it can harness physical, financial and human resources — which means the skills that you and others bring. An entrepreneur will also have to pitch their ideas to an audience in order to secure funding.				
Year 11	Unit Title: Promotion & Financial Records	Summative	BTEC Tech Award Textbook		

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	<ul> <li>A1 Generating ideas for a micro-enterprise activity</li> <li>Ideas could involve:</li> <li>Factors to be considered when selecting final idea</li> <li>A skills audit by learners, to consider</li> <li>A2 Plan for a micro-enterprise activity</li> <li>Aims of the micro-enterprise:</li> <li>Product or service to be sold,</li> <li>Identifying the target market</li> <li>Methods of communication with the customer</li> <li>Resources required:</li> <li>Risk assessment, and contingency plans,</li> </ul> Students research various Business ideas and make a judgement on the most likely to be successful. Students Learn how to produce a Business Plan investigating all aspects of starting a Business.	Explore ideas and plan for a micro-enterprise activity – Learning Aim A  Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	Local Business Visits  Dragon's Den videos on Youtube  www.tutor2U.com
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Year 12 BT	TEC Business Curriculum Overview:		
Units are a	Students study the Mandatory Units that underpin the course. These range from Marketing also completed in the first year of this 2 year course. Skills students develop over Year 12 incl ence Skills. Literacy is also developed through Report writing as well as Numeracy skills in lea Students research real Businesses based on their interests.	lude Cognitive, Intrapersonal,	
	Unit Titles:	Summative Assessment	Pearson BTEC National
	Exploring Business Personal & Business Finance Recruitment & Selection Process	Assignments based on Units 1 and 8	Textbook
	Recruitment & Selection Process	Non-exam internal assessment	www.bized.co.uk
Year 12 HT1	Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Features of businesses  • Stakeholders and their influence  • Effective business communications	set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	www.businesscasestudies.co.uk
	<ul> <li>Functions and role of money</li> <li>Different ways to pay</li> <li>Recruitment of staff</li> </ul>	Personal & Business Finance is a written 2 Hour Exam sat in February	
	Students study 2 selected Businesses and investigate reasons why they are successful.  This Unit deals with the Principles of Business i.e Features & Ownership	Formative Assessment Unit 3 Past Papers	
	Unit Titles:	Summative Assessment	Pearson BTEC National
	Exploring Business		Textbook
Year 12	Personal & Business Finance Recruitment & Selection Process	Non-ex Assignments based on Units 1 and 8	www.tutor2U.com
HT2		Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the	www.minwww.startups.co.uk
	Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Structure and organisation	centre and moderated by Pearson.	www.gov.uk/set-up-business

	<ul> <li>Aims and objectives</li> <li>External environment</li> <li>Managing personal finance</li> <li>Explore the personal finance sector</li> <li>Job applications</li> <li>Students learn about the importance of Managing Personal Finance researching Bank Accounts and various forms of Credit</li> </ul>	Personal & Business Finance is a written 2 Hour Exam sat in Feb am internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.  Formative Assessment Unit 3 Past Papers	dtools.com
Year 12 HT3	Unit Titles: Principles of Management Personal & Business Finance Recruitment & Selection Process Pitching for a New Business Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  Definitions of management and leadership Functions of management and leadership Understand the purpose of accounting Select and evaluate different sources of business finance Interviews and skills Exploration of ideas for a micro-business start-up Models for business opportunities  Students study the Recruitment Process which will support them when applying for jobs in later life. Learning important topics such as Interview Skills.	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the cen Assignments based on Units 1 and 8  Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.  Personal & Business Finance is a written 2 Hour Exam.  Formative Assessment Unit 3 Past Papers Unit 8 Past Papers	Pearson BTEC National Textbook  www.gov.uk  www.princes-trust.org.uk/help- for-young-people/support- starting-business
Year 12 HT4	Unit Titles: Principles of Management Recruitment & Selection Process Pitching for a New Business  Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  Business culture  Management and leadership styles	Summative Assessment  Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Assignments based on Units 1 and 8	Pearson BTEC National Textbook  www.startupbritain.org  youtube video's of Dragon's Den

	<ul> <li>Factors to be considered when setting up a micro-business</li> <li>Market analysis and planning</li> <li>Legal aspects</li> <li>Students study the Principles of Management preparing them for future employment and to apply their knowledge to a pre-release case study for their external assessment</li> <li>Unit Titles:</li> </ul>	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.  Formative Assessment Unit 8 Past Papers	Pearson BTEC National
	Recruitment & Selection Process Pitching for a New Business	Summative Assessment	Textbook
Year 12 HT5	Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Ethical and legal considerations in the recruitment process • Personal CV • Financial aspects • Marketing mix SWOT  Students produce a detailed Business Plan for a Micro-business start-up with a view to gain finance and investment. This includes all aspects of starting a Business from Marketing to Finance	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Assignments based on Units 1 and 8  Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.  Personal & Business Finance is a written 2 Hour Exam sat in Feb Pearson.	www.startupdonut.co.uk  youtube video's of Dragon's Den
	Unit Title: Recruitment & Selection Process Pitching for a New Business	Summative Assessment	Pearson BTEC National Textbook
Year 12 HT6	Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • letter of application.  • Designing interview questions.  • Carry out a pitch for funding for the chosen micro-business  • Review and evaluation of the pitch	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Assignments based on Units 1 and 8	www.startupdonut.co.uk  You tube video's of Dragon's Den

Having completed the Business Plan students develop their confidence, organisation	Non-exam internal assessment	
and presentation skills by pitching their idea to the class and potential investors. They	set by Pearson, marked by the	
also develop communication skills in answering questions from their audience.	centre and moderated by	
	Pearson.	
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In Year 12 many stud identifying case studie	Level Business Studies Curriculum Overview: students complete two schemes of work simultaneously; these are Marketing & People and lents this will be their first experience of studying Business, so they begin by understanding to and satisfying customers' needs and how they raise the finance to enable this. They will be sees on which to hang their new knowledge and will develop the skills of analysis and evaluation are to become effective problem solvers.	d Managing Business Activities. For why businesses exist, their role in exposed to countless real world	
Year 12 HT1	Theme 1: Marketing and people Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Characterising markets as either mass or niche and understanding dynamic markets and how business adapt to change  • How competition affects the market in terms of business conduct and profitability  • Managing risk to reduce uncertainty  Theme 2: Managing business activities Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Internal and external sources of finance  • The implications of limited liability for raising finance  • The importance of business planning and cash-flow forecasting to reduce the risk of business failure	Reading comprehension activities to assess understanding of dynamic markets  Extended writing activity: justification of appropriate sources of finance for different businesses	

Year 12 HT2	<ul> <li>Theme 1: Marketing and people</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>How businesses conduct market research to collect quantitative and qualitative data to anticipate customer needs and wants whilst understanding the limitations of market research methods</li> <li>The techniques of market segmentation and market mapping</li> <li>How to establish competitive advantage through product differentiation and adding value to products and services</li> </ul> </li> <li>Theme 2: Managing business activities</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>Sales forecasting; its uses and limitations</li> <li>Calculating sales revenue, fixed and variables costs</li> <li>Break-even analysis and establishing the margin of safety in sales volume</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Quantitative skills assessment: practicing calculation of revenue, costs and break-even	https://www.gov.uk/write- business-plan
Year 12 HT3	<ul> <li>Theme 1: Marketing and people</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>Factors affecting the market forces of supply and demand and market equilibrium; drawing supply and demand diagrams</li> <li>Calculating price and income elasticities of demand to anticipate changes in customer demand</li> <li>The Design Mix and changes in its elements brought about by social trends, resource depletion and ethical responsibility</li> </ul> </li> <li>Theme 2: Managing business activities</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>The process of budgeting, variance analysis</li> <li>Calculating gross, operating and net profit</li> <li>Ways to measure and improve profitability (profit ratios)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Quantitative skills assessment: calculating PED and YED  PPE 1 2 x 60 minute papers (Theme 1 & Theme 2)	
Year 12 HT4	Theme 1: Marketing and people Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  The power of branding and how businesses build brand value Pricing strategies to achieve business objectives		

	<ul> <li>How to choose and develop appropriate distribution channels</li> <li>The product life cycle and product portfolio</li> <li>Theme 2: Managing business activities</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>The balance sheet and measures of liquidity</li> <li>How to improve liquidity and the preservation of working capital to avoid business failure</li> <li>The internal and external causes of business failure</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Quantitative skills assessment: Current ratio and Acid Test ratio  Extended writing assessment to assess business liquidity and make recommendations on how to improve it	
Year 12 HT5	Theme 1: Marketing and people Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Approaches to staffing and managing employer/employee relationships  • Recruitment and selection and ways to train staff  • Organisational design; hierarchies and their impact on business efficiency and staff motivation  • Motivational theory and financial and non-financial incentives to improve employee performance  • Leadership styles  Theme 2: Managing business activities Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Methods of production  • How to measure and improve productivity to increase business efficiency  • Understanding labour and capitally intensive businesses and the pursuit of production at the lowest possible average cost  • Capacity utilisation	Individual research assignment to investigate different organisation structures in competing businesses	Reading:  The Witch Doctors: What Management Gurus are Saying, Why it Matters and How to Make Sense of It
Year 12 HT6	Theme 1: Marketing and people Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • The role of the entrepreneur and their motivations for starting a business, including financial and non-financial  • Business objectives and forms of business ownership: sole trader, partnership, LTD and stock market floatation to PLC  Theme 2: Managing business activities	PPE 2 2 x 60 minute papers (Theme 1 & Theme 2)	

Students will learn about/ develop skills of:	
<ul> <li>Stock control systems: Just in Time v buffer stocks, waste minimisation and</li> </ul>	
interpreting stock control diagrams	
<ul> <li>Approaches to quality management and their impact on costs</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>External economic influences on business: inflation, interest rates, exchange</li> </ul>	
rates, government and taxation and the business cycle	
The effects of legislation on business	
<ul> <li>The competitive environment and assessing the level of competition in a</li> </ul>	
market based on the number of competitors, market share and market size	

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In Year 13 Marketing	students study mostly optional Units and complete their re-sits of External Assessments. Students also plan and stage a Business Event which develops ent Skills. Finally they gain an International perspective on Business by assessing the viability.  Unit Title: Developing a Marketing Campaign Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  Developing the Rationale Principles of Marketing The Role of Marketing Influences on Marketing Activity Using information to develop Marketing Campaign Purpose of Market Research Market Research Methods  Students learn how to develop a Rationale for a Marketing Campaign. They develop research and problem solving skills in identifying the aims and purposes of their Marketing Campaign.	their Organisational and	BTEC National Textbook  Research on-line Marketing
Year 13 HT2	Unit Title: Developing a Marketing Campaign Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Planning and Developing a Marketing Campaign  • Marketing Campaign Activity  • Marketing Mix  • The Marketing Campaign  • Appropriateness of Marketing Campaign	Formative Assessment Practice Past Papers  Summative Assessment 3hr Supervised Externally Marked Task in January	BTEC National Textbook  Pearson BTEC National Revision Guide

	Students develop their research skills by undertaking extensive Market research for their Marketing Campaign. The Unit culminates in them writing a Marketing Campaign in their external assessment based on a pre-release Case Study		
Year 13 HT3	Unit Title: International Business Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Explore the International Context for Business Operations  • Investigate the International Economic Environment in which Business operates  • Investigate the External Factors that influence Businesses  • Investigate the Cultural Factors that influence International Businesses  • Examine the Strategic and Operational Approaches to Developing International Trade  Students investigate the opportunities and barriers to trading Internationally. This encourages students to consider working in the International job market. Their evaluative and decision making skills are developed by deciding which countries their chosen Businesses should operate in.	3 Assignments based on Learning Aims A,B,C,D & E Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	BTEC National Textbook  www.britishchambers.org.uk/b usiness/international-trade  http://www.britishchambers.or g.uk/business/international- trade  www.wto.org  http://www.wto.org/ www.gov.uk/government/orga nisations/uk-export-finance
Year 13 HT4	Unit Title: Managing a Business Event Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Explore the Role of an Event Organiser  • Investigate the feasibility of a Proposed Event  • Develop a Detailed Plan for a Business, or Social Enterprise Event  • Factors to be considered including Budget, Resources and Contingency Planning  • Stage and Manage a Business or Social Enterprise Event  • Reflect on the running of the Event and Evaluate Own Skills Development  Student develop a wide range of transferable skills in Time Management, Leadership, Organisation, communication skills in organising a Business event at the Academy. After producing a detailed plan they have to manage the event successfully keeping a log/diary.	Non-exam internal assessment set by Pearson, marked by the centre and moderated by Pearson.	BTEC National Textbook  www.simplypsychology.org/likert-scale.html  http://www.simplypsychology.org/likert-scale.html  www.snapsurveys.com/blog/attitude-surveys-the-likert-scale-and-semantic-differentials/
Year 13 HT5	Unit Title: Portfolio Building  Students complete all outstanding work be Pearson Deadline and organise their work in		
	to an Organised Portfolio of Evidence. They also use the Pearson on-line Grade Calculator to predict final grade based on their Portfolio of evidence.		

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The second change an are now gl	urriculum Overview: If year of A level study sees the focus shift from function to strategy and crucially how busing the presence of risk. They also investigate the global nature of business today. In an incres lobalised bringing with them enormous gains in terms of scale and reduced costs of product and moral dimensions that may eventually threaten the sustainability of businesses if they follow.	asingly connected world, markets ion. But they also face a multitude	
Year 13 HT1	<ul> <li>Theme 3: Business decisions and strategy</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>The development of corporate objectives and a critical appraisal of mission statements/corporate aims</li> <li>Development of strategy using Ansoff's Matrix and Porter's Strategic Matrix</li> <li>The impact of strategic and tactical decisions on the resources of a business</li> <li>Using tools such as SWOT, PESTLE and Porter's Five Forces to assess the impact of external influences on business</li> </ul> </li> <li>Theme 4: Global business</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>The growth rate of the UK economy compared to emerging economies</li> <li>The implications of growth for trade and employment</li> <li>Indicators of economic growth: GDP, literacy, health, HDI</li> </ul> </li> <li>Exports and imports between countries, flows of FDI and the link to business growth</li> </ul>	Reading comprehension activities: Identifying corporate strategy through business behaviour  Individual research assignment: Fact finding economic data for a broad range of markets	Reading: The Economist – search for articles and features on economic development
Year 13 HT2	Theme 3: Business decisions and strategy Students will learn about/ develop skills of:	PPE 1 – November 2022 2 x 90 minute papers in Themes 1 & 4 and 2 & 3	

	<ul> <li>Growth; market share, market power, economies of scale and increased profitability</li> <li>The problems associated with growth: diseconomies of scale, overtrading</li> <li>Mergers and acquisitions for growth</li> <li>Reasons for staying small: differentiation, development of Unique Selling Points, flexibility in responding to customer needs</li> <li>Theme 4: Global business</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>Factors contributing to increased globalisation</li> <li>Protectionism: tariffs, quotas, domestic subsidies and legislation</li> <li>The expansion of trading blocs and their impact on business</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>Theme 3: Business decisions and strategy</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>Decision making techniques including: quantitative sales forecasting, methods of investment appraisal, decision trees and critical path analysis (CPA)</li> <li>Corporate influences on timescales</li> <li>The impact of corporate culture</li> <li>The role of stakeholder and the potential for conflict</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
Year 13 HT3	<ul> <li>Theme 4: Global business</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of: <ul> <li>Conditions that prompt trade: push and pull factors</li> <li>Extending the product life cycle by selling in multiple markets and assessing a country as a market</li> <li>Assessing a country as a possible production location</li> <li>Global mergers and joint ventures</li> <li>Achieving global competitive through exchange rate fluctuation, cost competitiveness, differentiation</li> <li>The impact of skills shortages on international competitiveness</li> </ul> </li></ul>	Quantitative skills assessment: Investment appraisal techniques, decision trees and CPA	Reading: The Economist – search for articles and features about global M&A activity
Year 13 HT4	Theme 3: Business decisions and strategy Students will learn about/ develop skills of:  • Business ethics: balancing objectives and corporate social responsibility	Quantitative skills assessment: Ratio analysis of financial statements	

	<ul> <li>Interpretation of financial statements (Statement of comprehensive income and Statement of financial position)</li> <li>Ratio analysis to measure gearing, return on investment (ROCE) and to aid decision making</li> <li>Measuring the effectiveness of human resources and methods to improve productivity, retention, staff turnover and absenteeism</li> <li>Theme 4: Global business</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>Global marketing strategy and global localisation; global niche markets</li> <li>The impact on business of culture, tastes, language, unintended meanings, inappropriate translations/branding/promotion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	PPE 2 – March 2023 2 x 120 minute papers in Themes 1 & 4 and 2 & 3	
Year 13 HT5	<ul> <li>Theme 3: Business decisions and strategy</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>Managing change; the effects on culture, structure and overcoming resistance to change</li> <li>Scenario planning to reduce risk</li> <li>Mitigation of risk by planning for business continuity and succession planning</li> </ul> </li> <li>Theme 4: Global business</li> <li>Students will learn about/ develop skills of:         <ul> <li>The growing impact of Multinational Corporations (MNCs) on local labour forces, wages, job/wealth creation, the local community and the environment</li> <li>Impact of MNCs on FDI flows, balance of payments, technology and skills transfer, consumer, business culture and tax revenues</li> <li>Global ethical considerations</li> <li>Controlling MNCs through political influence, legislation, pressure groups and the use of social media</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Paper 3 preparation and practice	