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<u>Year 10</u>

During Year 10 students ...

Autumn Term:

The role of business enterprise and entrepreneurship

- The purpose of business activity and enterprise
- Characteristics of an entrepreneur
- The concept of risk and reward

Business planning:

- The purpose of planning business activity
- The role, importance and usefulness of a business plan

Revenue, costs, profit and loss:

- The concept of revenue, costs and profit and loss in business and their importance in business decision-making
- The different costs in operating a business
- Calculation of costs and revenue
- Calculation of profit/loss

Business ownership:

- The features of different types of business ownership
- The concept of limited liability
- The suitability of differing types of ownership in different business contexts

Business aims and objectives:

- The aims and objectives of business
- How and why objectives might change as businesses evolve
- Why different businesses may have different objectives

Stakeholders in business

- The roles and objectives of internal and external stakeholder groups
- The effect business activity has on stakeholders
- The effect stakeholders have on business

Business growth

- Organic growth
- External growth

The role of marketing

• The purpose of marketing within business

Market research

- The purpose of market research
- Primary research methods

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- Secondary research sources
- How appropriate different methods and sources of market research are for different business purposes
- The use and interpretation of qualitative and quantitative data in market research

Market segmentation

• The use of segmentation to target customers

Spring Term:

The marketing mix

- The four Ps of the marketing mix and their importance
 - The product
 - The product stages of the product life cycle
 - Pricing methods
 - Promotion point of sale
 - Promotion advertising
 - Place distribution of products and services
- How the four Ps of the marketing mix work together
- The use of the marketing mix to inform and implement business decisions
- Interpretation of market data

The role of human resources

• The purpose of human resources within business

Organisational structures and different ways of working

- organisational structures
- The terminology of organisation charts
- Why businesses have different organisational structures
- Ways of working

Communication in business

- Ways of communicating in a business context
- The importance of business communications
- The influence of digital communication on business activity

Recruitment and selection

- Why businesses recruit
- The use of different recruitment methods to meet different business needs
- Methods of selection

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Motivation and retention

- Financial methods of motivation
- Non-financial methods of motivation
- The importance of employee motivation
- The importance of employee retention

Training and development

- Different training methods
- Why businesses train their workers
- Staff development
- The benefits to employees and businesses of staff development

Employment law

• The impact of current legislation on recruitment and employment

Production processes

- Different production processes and their impact on businesses
- The influence of technology on production and the impact on businesses

Quality of goods and services

- The concept of quality
- Methods of ensuring quality
- The important of quality in both the production of products and the provision of services

<u>Year 11</u>

During Year 11 students will...

<u>Autumn Term:</u>

The sales process and customer service

- Methods of selling
- The influence of e-commerce on business activity
- The importance to a business of good customer service including after-sales service
- The contribution of product knowledge and customer engagement

Consumer law

• The impact of consumer law on businesses

Business location

• Factors influencing business location

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Working with suppliers

- The role of procurement
- The impact of logistical and supply decisions on businesses

The role of the finance function

- The purpose of the finance function
- The influence of the finance function on business activity

Sources of finance

- The reasons businesses need finance
- Ways of raising finance
- How and why different sources of finance are suitable for new and established businesses

Revenue, costs, profit and loss

- The concept of revenue, costs and profit and loss in business and their importance in business decision-making
- The different costs in operating a business
- Calculation of costs and revenue
- Calculation of profit/loss
- Calculation and interpretation of profitability ratios
- Calculation and interpretation of average rate of return

Spring Term:

Break-even

- The concept of break-even
- Simple calculation of break-even quantity
- The usefulness of break-even in business decision making

Cash and cash flow

- The importance of cash to a business
- The difference between cash and profit
- The usefulness of cash flow forecasting to a business
- Completion of cash flow forecasts

Ethical and environmental considerations

- Ethical considerations and their impact on businesses
- Environmental considerations and their impact on businesses

The economic climate

• The economic climate and its impact on businesses

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Globalisation

- The concept of globalisation
- The impact of globalisation on businesses

Summer Term: interdependent nature of business

- the interdependent nature of business operations, finance, marketing and human resources within a business context
- how these interdependencies underpin business decision-making
- the impact of risk and reward on business activity
- the use of financial information in measuring and understanding business performance and decision-making

Revision