## Mulberry Academy Woodside Business GCSE Curriculum Overview 2024 - 2025

## Curriculum intent statement:

Business Studies at Mulberry Academy Woodside provides transferable skills allowing students to smoothly transition from an educational environment to a work environment by providing an insight into a multitude of business sectors and departments.

At Mulberry Academy Woodside, students studying Business will develop a business mind set and learn a range of life skills that can be used confidently in their future. These include enhancing team working, problem solving, independent learning and communication skills whilst instilling confidence to make themselves stand out in a competitive working environment.

Business Studies will also nurture students' creative side in developing marketing and promotional campaigns, planning and pitching a business idea whilst also developing their financial acumen when it comes to understanding personal finance in the form of mortgages, lending, savings and investments.

Numeracy and literacy is at the core of the department's ethos and a high level of written communication is expected in the written components. Students will develop confidence to apply knowledge and understanding to contemporary business issues and to different types and sizes of businesses in local, national and global contexts.

Our vision is to equip students with the skills needed to succeed in an ever changing global economic environment and create individuals with innovation at heart.



Y E A R 10	KNOWLEDGE	Course introduction Topic 1.1 Enterprise and entrepreneurship 1.1.1 The dynamic nature of business 1.1.2 Risk and reward  1.1.3 The role of business enterprise  Topic 1.2 Spotting a business opportunity 1.2.1 Customer needs  1.2.2 Market research	1.2.2Market research 1.2.3Market segmentation 1.2.4 The competitive environment Topic 1.3 Putting a business idea into practice 1.3.1Business aims and objectives 1.3.2.Business revenues, costs and profits 1.3.2Business revenues, costs, and profits 1.3.2Business revenues, costs, and profits 1.3.4Sources of business finance	Topic 1.4 Making the business effective  1.4.1 The options for start-up and small businesses 1.4.2Business location 1.4.3The marketing mix 1.4.3 The marketing mix 1.4.4 Business plans	Topic 1.5 Understanding external influences on business  1.5.1 Business stakeholders  1.5.2 Technology and business  1.5.3 Legislation and business  1.5.4 The economy and business  1.5.5 External  influences	Enhancement activity - Theme 1 Consolidation of topic content.	Exam skills.  Consolidation of topic content and development of exam technique and skills.
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E A R		the business 2.1.1 Business growth 2.1.2 Changes in business aims and objectives	2.2.1 Product 2.2.2 Price 2.2.3 Promotion 2.2.4 Place	Business operations 2.3.1 Business operations 2.3.2 Working with suppliers	calculations 2.4.1 Business calculations 2.4.2 Understanding business performance	2.5.1 Organisational structures 2.5.1 Organisational structures
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	2.1.3 Business and globalisation 2.1.3 Business and globalisation 2.1.4 Ethics, the environment and business Revision Theme 1	2.2.5 Using the marketing mix to make business decisions  Revision Theme 1	2.3.3 Managing quality 2.3.4 The sales process <b>Revision Theme 1</b>	2.4.2 Understanding business performance Revision Theme 1	2.5.2 Effective recruitment 2.5.2 Effective recruitment 2.5.3 Effective training and development 2.5.4 Motivation Revision Theme 1 and Exam Techniques
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