



Key Stage: 4

**Subject: Business** 

**Aims of the subject:** The aim of this subject is to provide pupils with a broad background in business and a genuine understanding of the world of work. 'Real life' organisations are resourced to enhance the delivery of the subject.

**GCSE Examination Board: AQA** 

## **Assessment Overview:**

Paper 1: Influences of operations and HRM of business activity (1 hr 45 mins) 50%

Paper 2: Influences of marketing and finance of business activity (1 hr 45 mins) 50%

Both papers contain a variety of multiple choice, short answer, case-study/data response questions.

Year	What will I learn?	Assessment
Year 9	Autumn Term 1:	End of topic assessments
	Business in the real world	
	Purpose and nature of businesses	
	Autumn Term 2:  Business in the real world  Business Ownership  Setting business aims and objectives  Stakeholders	Practice Questions
Year 9	Spring Term 1:	Business plan submission
	Business in the real world	
	Business location	
	Business Planning	
		End of topic assessments

	Spring Term 2:  Business in the real world  Expanding a business  Marketing  Identifying and understanding customer  Segmentation  The purpose and methods of market research	Practice Questions
Year 9	Summer Term 1:  Marketing  The elements of the marketing mix: price, product, promotion and place (4Ps)	Practice Questions  Creative marketing submission
	Summer Term 2:  • Marketing Mix Exam Questioning	End of topic assessments
Year 10	Autumn Term 1:  Finance  Sources of finance  Finance  Cash flow Financial terms and calculations Analysing the financial performance of a business	Practice Questions  End of topic assessments

	At 7 2-	Duration Overtions
	Autumn Term 2:	Practice Questions
	Human Resources	
	Organisational structures	
	Recruitment and selection of employees	
Year 10	Spring Term 1:	Practice Questions
	Human Resources	
	Motivating employees	
	• Training	
	Spring Term 2:	
	Business Operations	End of topic assessments
	Production processes	
	The role of procurement	
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Year 10	Summer Term 1:	Practice Questions
	Business Operations	
	The concept of quality	Revision workshops
	Good customer service	
	Summer Term 2:	Mock paper
	Revision workshops: preparation for mock examinations	
	<u>Finance</u>	
	Revision (cash flow/break-even analysis)	
Year 11	Autumn Term 1:	Practice Questions
	Influence on business	
	Technology	
	Ethical and environmental considerations	
	The economic climate on business	
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## **Autumn Term 2: Finance** • The margin of safety **Practice Questions** Analysing performance of a business: Income Statement & Balance Sheet **Financial ratios Spring Term 1:** Influence on business Globalisation **Practice Questions** Legislation • Competitive environment **Spring Term 2: Revision workshop: full specification** Practice Questions/Full practice papers **Summer Term 1: Revision workshop: full specification Summer Term 2: Revision workshop: full specification**

## **Extra-curricular opportunities**

- 1) After school drop in sessions to develop understanding of the curriculum.
- 2) Students are also encouraged to develop their entrepreneurial flair by participating in the 'Ripley Entrepreneurs Challenge'.

## How you can support your child's progress

- 1) Checking work for correct use and spelling of appropriate business terminology and pupils responding to feedback provided by classroom teacher (green pen work).
- 2) Encouraging them to be aware of both the local, national and global business environment.