Subject Information Options 2015-17

Below is useful information from departments that should be used to help choose your option subjects. If you require any further information please speak to the member of staff responsible for the subject.

Option Subject

		Subject
		Business Studies
	Exam Board	OCR
	Syllabus number	J253
	Member of staff responsible	Mr A Smith
	Accreditation	GCSE
Exam Information	How many?	2 - Business and People – one hour exam Production, Finance and the External Business Environment - 90 minute exam based on a pre-seen case study.
	When taken?	Business and People – May Year 11 Production and Finance – May Year 11
	Percentage of final mark	Business and People – 25% Production and Finance – 50%
Coursework Information	How many?	None
	When taken?	
	Percentage of final mark	
Controlled Assignment Information	How many?	1 = Marketing and Enterprise
	When taken?	Summer Term of Year 10
	Percentage of final mark	25%
Brief outline of subject		This subject consists of 3 modules: Marketing and Enterprise. Students develop an understanding of the key skills and qualities required to be successful in business. They investigate how the different functions of marketing can have. Business and People. Students learn how people are the key to success for business. They look at the recruitment and selection process, training and how to motivate staff. Production, Finance and The External Business Environment. Students study different production methods and learn about sources of finance. They perform simple calculations to assess business success and develop an understanding of how external factors affect businesses.
Characteristic of students who succeed in this subject		Students who succeed at this subject have a good standard of written English and numeracy and also have a good awareness of current affairs. The subject is very complementary to a wide range of option choices.
Relevant information that may be important		The subject encourages students to develop many of the key skills for employability such as teamwork, problem solving and independent thinking.
Advisory Entry Level Requirements		No advisory entry level requirements.