

ECONOMICS

Year 9

What are the aims and intentions of this curriculum?

The aim of our Year 9 Curriculum is to set the foundation for a thorough understanding of the basic tenets of economics in terms of its framework, concepts, and models. This curriculum:

- ☐ Creates an informed opportunity for effective scaffolding, in future year groups, for students' success in the subject matter
- ☐ Ensures students understand how markets operate and the roles of consumers, producers or workers within markets
- □ Encourages students to understand the perspectives of different economic agents, including consumers, producers and government in relation to economic activity.
- ☐ Creates and opportunity for students to read economic articles to appreciate how leading economists approach economic problems

Term	Topics	Knowledge and key terms	Skills developed	Assessment
Autumn 1	Transition 1 INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMICS 1.1 Main economic groups and factors of production 1.2 The basic economic Problem	Main economic groups and factors of production • Scarce resources, unlimited wants and the economic problem • Opportunity cost • Economics choices and sustainability	Basic understanding of scarcity and choices and how our choices impact each other. • Discover the costs of our daily choices. • Learn how we can help sustain our scarce resources. • To work and collaborate with team members in teams. • To communicate appropriate and clearly in group or team activities. Links to careers: Politics, Economists, Farmer, Mining, Production, Entrepreneurs. • PSHE Respectful relationships, including friendships)	FORMATIVE: • Weekly homework. • Peer/group class activities • In class differentiated individual activities SUMMATIVE: • Projects (Individual and/or group) • Monthly tests

Autumn 2	2 THE ROLE OF MARKETS AND MONEY 2.1 The role of markets 2.2 Demand	Market; sectors; product and factor markets Specialisation and exchange Demand Demand curve Demand curve, shifts and movements Causes and consequences of shifts and movements Price elasticity of demand Important of PED for consumers/producers	Basic understanding of production and the factors involved in any and all types of production. Know the difference between markets seen every day. Know how we demand Know what drives demand Learn to plot graphs and draw curves Learn how to make basic interpretation of demand curves Know basic economics formula Know how to calculate and interpret PEDs. Links to careers: Banking, Entrepreneur, Investment, Production, Manufacturing	FORMATIVE: • Weekly homework. • Peer/group class activities • In class differentiated individual activities SUMMATIVE: • Projects (Individual • and/or group) • Monthly tests
Spring 1	2.3 Supply	Supply • Supply curve • Supply curve, shifts and movements • Causes and consequences of shifts and movements • Price elasticity of supply • Importance of PES for consumers/producers	 Know how producers supply Know what drives supply Learn to plot graphs and draw curves Learn how to make basic interpretation of supply curves Know basic economics formula Know how to calculate and interpret PESs. Links to careers: Manufacturing, Retail, Supply chain. 	FORMATIVE: • Weekly homework. • Peer/group class activities • In class differentiated individual activities SUMMATIVE: • Projects (Individual and/or group) • Monthly tests
Spring 2	2.4 Price	Price • Equilibrium price and quantity • Interaction of demand and supply • Determination of price • Allocation of resources • Market forces, equilibrium price and	 Know what is price and how its determined Discover equilibrium price and quantity from demand and supply models. Understand demand and supply as 	FORMATIVE: • Weekly homework. • Peer/group class activities • In class differentiated individual activities

		Quantity Revision of previous topics to establish knowledge	market forces. Links to careers: Retail, Logistics	SUMMATIVE: • Projects (Individual and/or group) Monthly tests
Summer 1	2.5 Competition	 Competition and market economy Competition and price Impact of competition and producers and consumers Monopoly and oligopoly Revision of previous topics 	 Appreciate the importance of competition in markets Understand the links between competition and price Understand the market structures because of competition. 	FORMATIVE: • Weekly homework. • Peer/group class activities • In class differentiated individual activities
Summer 2	2.6 Production	 Role of producers Production and productivity Cost, Revenue, profit and loss calculations Importance of cost, revenue, profit and loss Economies of scale Alliance challenge	Know how to calculate and interpret productivity levels in firms. Links to careers: Manufacturing, Finance, Suppliers, Entrepreneur	SUMMATIVE: • Projects (Individual and/or group) • Monthly tests