

# **Year 8**

## **Mini Option Subject Information**



**May 2025**



# The Gilberd Curriculum

- Outstanding curriculum
- It covers the full range of National Curriculum Subjects and more
- It develops academic and soft skills
- It meets the needs of all abilities
- It makes sure students can progress onto post 16 courses

# Review of our Gilbert Curriculum

- Lots of options changes early in Y9
- Narrowing the curriculum too soon





	English	Maths	Science	Future Skills	History	Geography	Religious Studies	Modern Foreign Languages	Technology	Music	Art	Drama	Physical Education	Computer Science	Dance	Year 9* a choice of two option subjects comprising a single lesson in each across the 2-week timetable.							Year 10 & 11 Option choices
																Business Studies	Health and Social Care	Computer Science	Drama	Dance	Information Technology	Physical Education	
Year 7 & 8	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓								
Year 9*	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓									
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Business Studies	Health and Social Care	Computer Science	Drama	Dance	Information Technology	Physical Education	
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# Next Steps

- Letter to Y8 parents
- “Mini option subjects” information booklet
- Y8 team to talk to students
- Mini option choices – Mrs Percival – Friday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May



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Box A	Choice
PE	
Dance	Y
Box B	Choice
Information Technology	
Health and Social Care	3
Business Studies	
Dance	
Drama	2
Computer Science	1

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Box A	Choice
PE	
Dance	Y

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*Please note: if Dance was chosen in Box A, it can be chosen again in Box B or other subjects can be chosen instead.*

Box B	Choice
Information Technology	2
Health and Social Care	
Business Studies	
Dance	1
Drama	
Computer Science	3



**When you Enter the  
Business classes,  
Learning is fun,  
Cooperation is expected,  
Our positive attitude  
and Mutual respect are  
part of Everything we do  
and say!**



**WELCOME TO BUSINESS**



# **BUSINESS**

**Our subject is all about finding new business opportunities and taking advantage of them to make a profit.**

**You as a future entrepreneur will learn to take risks, develop a positive growth mindset and build important skills that you will use later in life;**

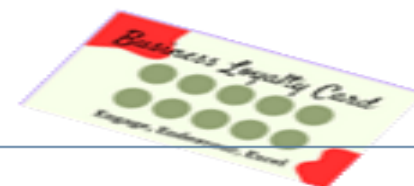
**Check what avenues are available to you, what interests you and explore the concept of success and indeed failure to entrepreneurial ideas and how to assess these outcomes.**

Mandatory skills students need for this course include: **independence, creativity, resilience, current affairs knowledge of Business and Economics events, good numeracy, literacy and IT skills.**

## What will it be like?

Short projects have been created focusing on key business topics as well as IT skills

- Enterprise and entrepreneurs
- Obsolete, original and innovative ideas
- Add value to goods and services
- Risks and rewards
- Aims and objectives
- Financing a small business
- Branding, hidden messages and failed
- The design mix— secret to success
- Ethics in business and USP (Unique Selling Point)
- Costs, revenue, profit (finance)
- Pricing strategies
- Taxes a small business pays
- Market research
- Market segmentation
- The marketing mix
- Research, create, brand, cost a product
- The Holiday Challenge



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# Our Promise

BUSINESS AT THE GILBERD

**RISK  
TAKER**



**fun**

**OPPORTUNITY**

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**EVALUATE**

**(INDEPENDENT)**  
TRUCK COMPANY

*Stay  
Relevant*

**DESIGN**



**FUNDRAISING**

**Creative**



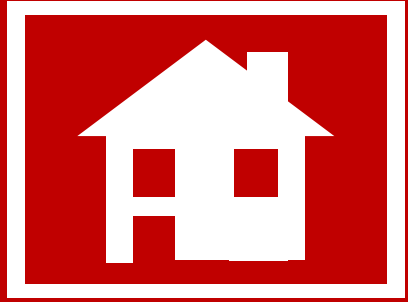
# Welcome Year 9

## Information Technology Option

**You are going to use project management system methodology to solve a given problem**

1. Analyse and Identify the task requirements
2. Produce a system design / plans
3. Create a gnatt chart to show planned timescales
4. Use Google Sketchup to develop a grand house solution
5. Workout the cost using an Excel model





# GRAND DESIGNS

## DIGITAL IT PROJECT

What will it be like?

***Produce a house design, calculate the costs and request the Grand Designs team to build it!***



Select a Lesson

Planning

Using SketchUp

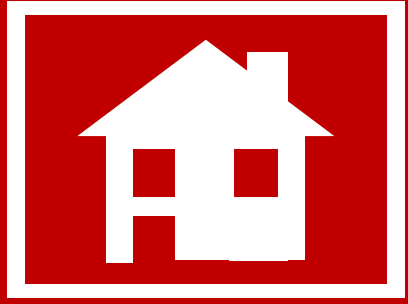
House Design

Finances

Presentation

Evaluation

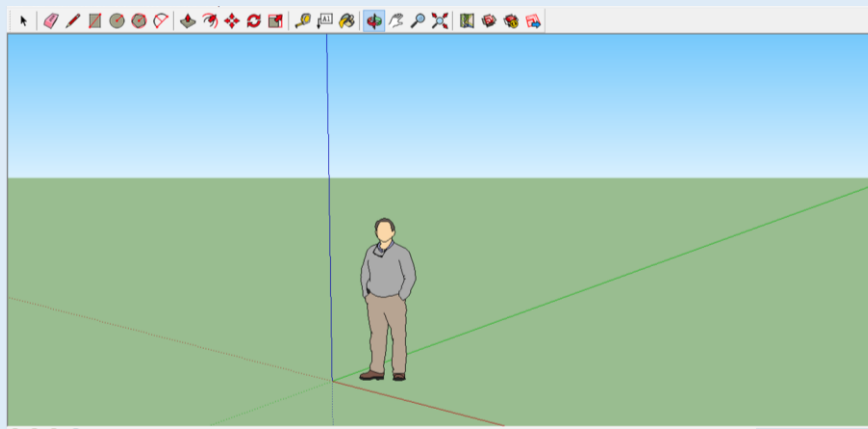




# GRAND DESIGNS

## Using SketchUp

Understand, use and combine the tools in SketchUp to create a 3D model of a house.



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# WEB AUTHORIZING USING HTML

You will cover:

- HTML syntax
- Creating web pages using HTML syntax. Apply colours, images and links to your pages
- Adding CSS to work and apply a style sheet



# SOUND EDITING USING AUDACITY

You will cover:

- Editing sound
- Planning a podcast
- Editing a podcast

# Health and Social Care

## What is it?

Study of ways to .....

- ✓ Help support and make individuals' lives better
- ✓ Improve the health and well-being of people in society
- ✓ Provide hands on care for vulnerable people

# What can you do with a qualification in Health and Social Care?





# First Aid

**Learn about the basics of first aid and how you can support casualties at the scene of an accident. Gain confidence in dealing with common injuries – and complete a piece of coursework!**





## **Effective Communication**

**Learn about the importance of different forms of communication (verbal, non-verbal and specialist) and their relevance in caring for people.**

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Business Studies	
Dance	
Drama	
Computer Science	