

## Young Enterprise Company Programme

I am writing with information about the Young Enterprise's Company Programme. Young Enterprise is the UK's leading charity that empowers young people to harness their personal and business skills. Through the programme young people will gain practical experience of business through setting up and running a student company.

Our Young Enterprise student company will have 12-18 participants. They elect a board of directors from amongst themselves, raise share capital and decide on a product or service to sell. They will sell to the public, take part in national competitions and at the end of the year they will wind up the student company and will have to account for the way they have managed the student company to their shareholders. They will make all the decisions about the company and will ultimately be responsible for the success of their enterprise. Young Enterprise provides a website with all the necessary guidance, and they will also receive the support of a volunteer business adviser.

We believe that this is an excellent opportunity for young people to gain important employability skills. The world of work is changing constantly and many employers place great emphasis on employability skills, also known as transferable skills. These employability skills include communication, teamwork, initiative & self-motivation, planning & organisation, problem solving and the resilience and confidence. By taking part in the YE Company Programme young people are taking a very positive step to developing these skills and to prepare for a strong future. We hope that you will encourage and support your students to make the very most of this opportunity.

Our Young Enterprise sessions will take place at Uxbridge Library on Thursdays from 17.00 – 18.30, starting on November 7th, the program will end in July 2025. There is a participation fee of £30.00\* and participants will have to have at least 1 share in their own company at £1.00 per share.

All participants must complete the enrolment form at:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=ebasqoHD-0izlPnVqe6Uj5WcP2pGGNpCk-L89nmYKJIUMldNTzVGSIBOVjJRSDM4MUFQTKNCSkE5Ty4u>

or by scanning the QR code



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\*Discounts available for those on Benefit related free school meals & some other circumstances, please ask.