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There was no specific report about any subject areas in this Annual Report although a specialist Business Education report will be published in 2007. However there was mention of Financial Capability and Enterprise Education. The report is available on <http://live.ofsted.gov.uk/publication/annualreport0506/> . The following are notes taken from Para 358 to Para 363.

- "Evidence from the pilot survey inspections carried out in secondary schools suggested that relatively little attention was being given to financial capability and that expertise in teaching in this area was limited. Consequently Ofsted will conduct a fuller survey of financial capability from the autumn of 2006."
- A report on enterprise education addressed the problems of definition and thus the lack of clarity in many schools about what enterprise education means. Where the objectives of enterprise education had not been fully understood, schools focused on much that was peripheral. In the schools in which staff were clear about the objectives, there was an awareness of the knowledge, skills and attributes they wanted students to develop by the end of Key Stage 4. In these schools the programmes included a combination of suspended timetable days, cross curricular approaches and dedicated time, for example in personal, social and health education or citizenship. It requires both continuing professional development and experience for all staff to develop these skills. .