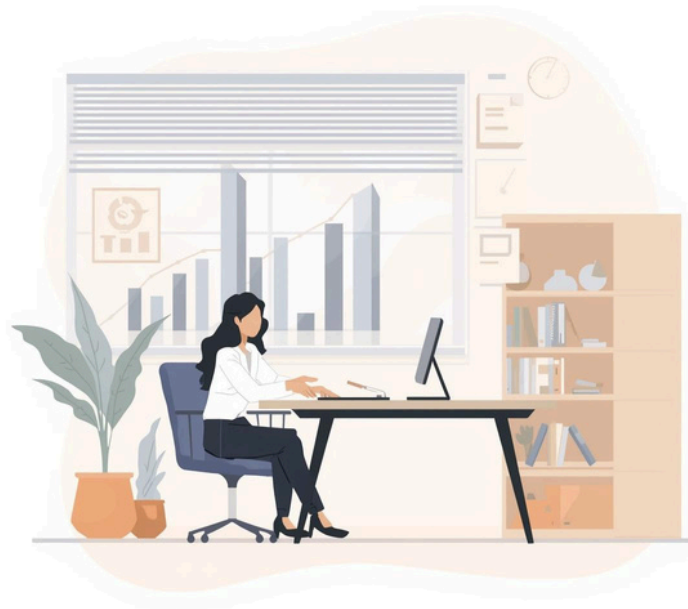


TUESDAY'S

TOP TIP



OUR WEEKLY DOSE OF SMART BUSINESS AND FINANCE TOP TIPS



Review cybersecurity controls for your systems

Why?

Data & Finance Protection

- Enable multifactor authentication wherever possible and a strong password policy.
- Review user access and logs regularly.

Data Protection & Security

- Back up critical data and test its restoration.
Utilise the 3-2-1 backup rule
- Consider using password managers
- Provide regular staff awareness training

Useful Resources

- ICO GDPR Guidance and Resources - Security
- National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) Advice for Small and medium Size Businesses
- DfE Business Continuity Plan Template and Checklist
- Buying for School 3-2-1 Back Up Rule

Benefit

Implementing robust cybersecurity controls for finance systems significantly reduces the risk of fraud, data breaches, and operational disruption. By implementing measures such as multi-factor authentication, strong password policies, and regular access reviews, schools and trusts protect sensitive financial data from unauthorised access. Secure backups and restoration testing ensure continuity in the event of system failure or a cyberattack, while staff awareness training helps prevent phishing and social engineering threats.