

Psychology	
Teacher in charge of subject	Mrs Coxon
Type of qualification	A level
Exam board and subject code	AQA 7182
Entry requirements	
Specific subject requirement	Grade 5 in either English Language or English Literature and Grade 5 in either Maths or Science
Course details	
<p>Psychology is the scientific study of the mind and behaviour.</p> <p>The course covers all the main, traditional areas of Psychology and some more current and applied areas, as well as developing the students' understanding of Psychological research and their ability to carry out small-scale research studies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Paper 1: Introductory topics in Psychology: Social Influence, Memory, Attachment and Psychopathology. • Paper 2: Psychology on Context: Approaches in Psychology, Research Methods and Bio-Psychology. • Paper 3: Issues and debates in Psychology plus 3 options in Psychology chosen from the following: Relationships/Gender/Cognition and Development, plus one from Schizophrenia/Eating Behaviour/Stress and one from: Aggression/Forensic Psychology/Addiction. 	
Assessment	
<p>The course is assessed by 3x 2 hour exams at the end of the 2nd year.</p> <p>These exams will include longer answer essay questions, multiple-choice questions, shorter knowledge-based questions and questions requiring the students to apply their understanding to new situations.</p>	
Career options	
<p>Previous students have gone on to a variety of University courses:</p> <p>e.g. Psychology, Law, Medicine, Business, Media, Criminology, Sports and Social Sciences. It is also a useful preparation for Nursing, Social Work, Teaching and Advertising.</p> <p>Psychology A level is useful for anyone considering a career where they will be working with people and can often add an extra dimension to the application of someone doing predominantly arts or the more traditional science courses.</p>	