

# Curriculum Information

Key Stage 5



*Shaping creative and confident  
students who better understand  
themselves and the world around  
them*

*For yourself & for others*

## Curriculum Intent

Psychology allows students to learn more about the human mind, body and behaviour in the real world. The AQA course which we have chosen to study at A level aims to introduce students to the fundamentals of Psychology; developing critical analysis, independent thinking and research skills through discussion and written based tasks. Students will be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of psychological content, apply this knowledge in a range of contexts and be able to analyse and evaluate information.

## Key Stage 5 Psychology

Psychology A level - AQA - specification code 7182

Psychology is the study of the mind. A level Psychology introduces students to key areas of the subject. These are Social Influence, Memory, Attachment, Psychopathology, Approaches in Psychology, Biopsychology, Research Methods, Relationships, Schizophrenia, Aggression and Issues and debates in Psychology.

## **Psychology A-level topics - teaching order**

### **Year 12:**

Memory & attachment  
Social influence & psychopathology  
Approaches & Yr1 research methods

### **Year 13:**

Biopsychology & relationships  
Aggression & schizophrenia  
Issues & debates & Yr2 research methods

## **Recommended text and Specification Link:**

### **Recommended texts:**

AQA psychology for A level year 2, ISBN: 9781908682413

AQA psychology for A level year 1, ISBN: 9781908682406

### **Specification link:**

<https://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/psychology/as-and-a-level/psychology-7181-7182>