



Verulam School: Key Stage 5 CURRICULUM INFORMATION

Department: Psychology
Subject Leader: Mr Giles

Subject Vision: The purpose of A-Level Psychology is to support student's discovery of a new and exciting subject option. This subject allows students to understand the fundamental aspects of the discipline before seeing how they are applied to a range of different fields including psychopathology and many more. They are also granted an insight into how the basis of our discipline formed by looking at research methods. Prior knowledge of maths and science will be assessed at his stage and built upon further. The optional topics of Aggression, Gender and Schizophrenia at Year 13 have been chosen to engage students with interesting content and to revisit previously investigated content. Here students will apply their knowledge to new and complex topic and debates. Students will be formally assessed with three mock exam papers in November & March of Year 13 to assess knowledge and exam technique. Assessments will also be conducted throughout the course to further assist with this.

YEAR 12						
Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/Unit Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approaches in Psychology Biopsychology Some research methods content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Attachment Memory Some research methods content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Influence Psychopathology Some research methods content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content review Revision activities Some research methods content 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content review Revision activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content review Revision activities
Assessment	End of Unit Assessment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Approaches in Psychology (DD1) 	End of Unit Assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Biopsychology Attachment Memory 	Mock Paper 2 (DD2) End of Unit Assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social Influence Psychopathology 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mock Paper 1 Nightmare tests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nightmare tests 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mock Paper 2 (DD3)
YEAR 13						
Term	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
Topic/Unit Title	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 12 Review Aggression 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationships Schizophrenia 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issues and debates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content review Revision activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Content review Revision activities 	Exams

Assessment	Mock Paper 1 (DD4)	End of Unit Assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aggression Mock Paper 2 (M1)	End of Unit Assessment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Relationships Schizophrenia Issues and debates 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mock Paper 3 (M2) Mock Paper 1 (In class assessment) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A-Level exams 	N/A
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