Brigshaw SIXTH FORM

A Level

PSYCHOLOGY

Psychology engages the learner with the skills and knowledge to interpret, analyse and evaluate human behaviour in the context of cognitive decision-making. It is a subject that complements the other social sciences well, while also being specialised in individual action and biological mechanisms.

FUTURE OPPORTUNITIES

Psychology aids with further academic study, particularly in the fields of Criminal Science, Sociology, Psychology and Law. This may lead to work and employment in such diverse fields as governmental research, academic research, police intelligence/investigation, forensics and the medical field.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

GCSE:

Grade 5 in English Language and Grade 5 in Maths.

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COURSE CONTENT & ASSESSMENT

A Level Psychology involves studying a wide range of topics, such as developmental, cognitive and criminal psychology, so there is a lot of information to absorb and importantly, you will need to learn how to apply this knowledge.

As the topics psychologists study are complex, it is common to find different explanations of psychological phenomena, such as the nature of intelligence. An important skill you will learn is how to evaluate conflicting theories about the topics you cover and the studies that support, or challenge, them.

An A Level Psychology course complements a range of other A levels, including the sciences (e.g. Biology) and the social sciences (e.g. Sociology).

EXAMINATIONS Year 13

3 Examinations (2 Hours each):

- **Paper 1: Memory, Social Influence, Psychopathology and Attachment**
- **Paper 2: Approaches, Biopsychology, Research Methods**
- **Paper 3: Optional topics, Issues and Debates**