



Psychology

What is the exam board and route?

A Level Psychology, AQA

Subject Entry Requirements: Grade 6 in GCSE Mathematics and a GCSE Science required. As this subject is taught at LHS, GCSE grade entry is required rather than advised.

Subject outline

Psychology is the scientific study of people, the mind, behaviour and experience. It is a thriving academic discipline with the opportunity to explore key features of everyday life that are of direct relevance.

Psychologists and psychological research have a big impact on all aspects of public life, particularly in areas such as education, health, the economy, industry, and the criminal justice system.

How is the course assessed?

3 exams, each two hours long

Paper 1: Introductory Topics in Psychology (Social Influence, Memory, Attachment, and Psychopathology).

Paper 2: Psychology in Context (Approaches in Psychology, Research Methods and Biopsychology).

Paper 3: Issues and Options in Psychology (Section A is a compulsory section on Issues and Debates in Psychology. Sections B, C, D each contain questions on the in-depth option topics you have studied).

Why study this subject?

Psychology will give you an understanding of the way people think and why people behave in certain ways. You will learn a variety of skills including analytical thinking, improved communication, problem solving and many more. Students studying psychology will learn to assess and analyse research evidence for its credibility and to consider how usefully the research and results can be applied to change behaviour in a practical way. Psychology is taught at LHS.

Complementary subjects

Psychology complements any subject but is often taken alongside Biology, Chemistry, Maths, History, Geography, Business, PE.

Possible careers

You will learn a variety of skills that will prepare you for an exciting future with the possibility of a range of fantastic careers. Some of the common degree courses students choose are Psychology, English studies, Sociology, Business studies, Teaching, Sport and exercise science, Law.

Subject enrichment available

Fieldwork, both in the UK and international is complimented with a range of other clubs and activities.

- Essay competitions
- Neuroscience workshop

