



A Level Psychology

Exam Board: www.aqa.org.uk

At Swanshurst we will follow AQA **Psychology** A Level which is the most popular specification.

This course would suit someone who likes science and wants to understand more about themselves, and other people.

- It links well with many other subjects such as Mathematics, English, Biology and Art.
- It helps prepare you for a whole range of courses at university including law, teaching, and the sciences.
- We visit conferences and encourage students to debate key issues.



Progression

Progression onto **A Level Psychology** will require at least 5 GCSEs, or equivalent, at grade 4 or above and GCSE English & Mathematics at grade 4.

Please talk to the **Head of Department** if you are interested in this subject.

Students will learn and be assessed on the following areas:

Compulsory Content

- **1. Social influence**
- **2. Memory**
- **3. Attachment**
- **4. Psychopathology**
- **5. Approaches in Psychology**
- **6. Biopsychology**
- **7. Research methods**
- **8. Issues & debates in psychology**

Options – choose 1 from each group below

Option 1

- **9. Relationships**
- **10. Gender**
- **11. Cognition & development**

Option 2

- **12. Schizophrenia**
- **13. Eating behaviour**
- **14. Stress**

Option 3

- **15. Aggression**
- **16. Forensic psychology**
- **17. Addiction**

Examined: 3 Papers at end of course
Introductory Topics (1-4) - 33.3%,
Psychology in Context (5-7) - 33.3%
Issues & Options in Psychology (8 + options) - 33.3%

