



# Psychology

- **Teacher:** Mrs McNally
- **Exam board:** AQA
- **Course work or exam:** 100% Exam (3x 2hr papers)
- **What will I learn about?** The science of human mind, behaviour and experience; why people behave the way they do, why mental illness occurs and how we can treat it. The course covers social influence, memory, childhood attachment, function of the brain, criminal behaviour, adult relationships and mental disorders including depression, phobias, OCD, schizophrenia and associated research methods.
- **Great for:** Students who want to understand themselves and the people around them better. The course is demanding but exciting and often eye-opening, and it can fit well with any combination of subjects. Students who thrive on the psychology course have a genuine interest in science, strong written English skills and a deep curiosity about themselves and the people around them.

**Student view:** *"Psychology is probably my hardest A Level subject but it's definitely my favourite. I know I'm going to learn something interesting about myself every lesson and Mrs McNally gets us to discuss a lot because there aren't always easy answers. I've learned so much about myself doing this course and I'm probably less judgemental about other people now too."*