

# Psychology

## A-Level



### What will I learn?

In Psychology, you will delve into the human mind, learning about people's behaviours and hidden drives and desires. You will look at a wide variety of different topics such as mental health and conditions such as schizophrenia, biological psychology and whether we are responsible for our own behaviours and the extent to which we can trust eye witnesses and their memory in a court of law.

### How will I learn?

At Rednock, we use a variety of teaching methods, from group work to allow you opportunities to develop friendships and team work, Intendent study providing opportunities to gain independence and develop organisation skills and traditional note taking and discussion lessons to prepare you for university and engage you with debating and challenging ideas to ensure you are proactive and enjoy your subjects.

### How will I be assessed?

Assessment is through examination at the end of the two year course although you will be assessed by your teachers to help you develop your skills and give you feedback to better prepare you for exams.

### Trips and Extracurricular activities.

We offer opportunities to visit universities and have visiting professors to discuss their research and careers in psychology. You will have opportunities to discuss careers with professionals working in the field in different areas of psychology and trips to Gloucester Prison, Gloucester crown court and London to visit the Freud Museum and other experiences.

*All trips are subject to change, availability and desirability.*

### FAQs.

#### **Do I need to have studied Psychology before?**

No. The syllabus includes all knowledge needed and assumes that you have not studies psychology before though knowledge about psychology will be most helpful.

#### **Do I need to be good at Maths?**

Psychology is a science and if you want to study this subject at prestigious universities, you will need a minimum of a 6 at GCSE. However, at A-level this is not the case and though being good at maths helps, the maths required for the course is not too challenging, but be prepared to have to work on it a little if it is a subject that you find challenging.

#### **What subjects complement psychology?**

Psychology is found everywhere and is the most applicable subject after Maths and English. All careers involve an element of psychology so doing any subject can complement psychology. However, subjects such as Sociology, Criminology, Health and social care, Maths and Biology all work really well with Psychology.

#### **What have Rednock students done with psychology?**

Many of our students go on to study at university and some have continued studying psychology beyond degree to Masters level.

### Exam Board

AQA

### Subject Specific Entry Requirements

English grade 5 or above

### Skills Gained

Problem solving  
Critical thinking  
Debating  
Evaluation  
Data analysis  
Creating experiments  
Team work  
Presentation skills  
Revision skills

### Careers

Business  
Management  
Forensic  
Psychologist  
Educational  
Psychologist  
Teaching  
Counselling  
Neuropsychologist  
Sports and exercise  
psychologist