

Social Sciences Faculty

The Social Sciences Faculty is an experienced, motivated and supportive team of experts who, for a number of years have taught four successful A Levels; Psychology, Business, Economics and Politics. As a school, we have been delighted to add Sociology to the A Level suite of subjects this year. This has proven to be highly popular. Our subjects are among the most popular A Level subjects on offer and hence we make a huge contribution to the success of the School at Key Stage Five. This is a standard which we work hard to maintain and of which we are hugely proud.

We genuinely enjoy our engagement with students and engendering a love of our subjects – reflected in the large numbers of students who go on to study Social Science-related degrees. As a group of professionals, we are committed to our students and to providing an excellent and broad learning experience. We are open and reflective regarding our practice, considering and applying recent and relevant research in the classroom and beyond, and making excellent use of our virtual learning platform.

We teach mainly in dedicated Social Sciences classrooms in the Sixth Form Centre and Psychology rooms nearby in an adjacent building. We share an office, as well as resources, ideas and a sense of humour. If you feel you would like to share those things too, we look forward to reading your application!

The Psychology Department

Currently made up of two members of staff, the Psychology Department has one of the largest student cohorts in KS5 with 75 students in Y13 and 65 in Y12 shared among three classes in each year group. Following the AQA specification, we split groups between teachers allowing for expertise in topic choice. According to feedback, student experience of our subject is overwhelmingly positive, and we are proud of the contribution we make to this vital stage in students' development.

Faculty Members

There are 6 teaching members in the Faculty and a Curriculum Assistant. Some of us work part time with a range of experience, years of service and additional responsibilities.

Facilities

We have 5 dedicated classrooms and a faculty staff workroom.

A-Level

We follow AQA for Psychology and Economics Edexcel for Business, and Edexcel for Politics. Results across the Faculty are outstanding.

Enrichment

There are popular Psychology and Pol-Econ student-run societies. Staff and students regularly take part in revision conferences and enrichment visits and Politics students have the opportunity to take part in a bi-annual trip to New York and Washington. We welcome colleagues who would contribute to our enrichment programme in new and exciting ways.

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