

Temporary Teacher of Psychology (maternity cover)

We wish to appoint an enthusiastic, qualified teacher of Psychology to join a vibrant and growing Human, Social and Political Studies team, to cover a maternity post. The post-holder would also be required to teach approximately 5 hours of Citizenship per fortnight. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday are the days we require the post-holder to teach.

Psychology Curriculum

In recent years the Psychology department has seen rapid growth, in A-Level uptake and is now the most popular A Level subject in the Academy. The post holder would be expected to build on this success. Psychology is offered only at A Level in Key Stage 5.

Psychology

Psychology is an academic and applied field allowing KS5 students the opportunity to explore a scientific study of mental processes and behaviour. Psychology also refers to the application of such knowledge to various spheres of human activity, including problems of individuals' daily lives and the treatment of mental illness.

The Psychology course follows the AQA specification. The following topics of study are delivered:

- Paper 1 Introductory topics in Psychology: Social Influence, Memory and Attachment.
- Paper 2 Psychology in context: Psychopathology, Approaches, Biopsychology and Research Methods.
- Paper 3 Issues and options in Psychology: Issues and debates, Gender, Stress and Aggression.

Staffing

There are currently two teachers of Psychology:

Mrs N Burke (Head of Psychology), Mrs G Greene (Teacher of Psychology)

Enrichment

The Human, Social and Political Studies team and specifically the Psychology department play a full part in the Academy Enrichment programme viewing it as a valuable opportunity for students to participate in research activities, as well as for them to receive help and support with work and revision.