

# PSYCHOLOGY

## A LEVEL

Course Coordinator: Miss Robinson

Awarding Body: Edexcel

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### The Course

Are you interested in why people behave in the way that they do, and why they think in a particular way? If so, then you might want to consider studying Psychology at Neston Sixth Form.

The Psychology department at Neston offers a wide range of enrichment opportunities. These include a visit to the crown court, a presentation from Chester Law students, a mock trial with barristers at Liverpool tribunal courts and a visit to Child and Adolescent Mental Health services . Students have also been on a Psychology tour of London which included a visit of the Freud museum, the Natural History museum and a hypnosis workshop at London zoo.

### Content

Psychology A level requires students to know and understand the theories and studies covered in the main psychological approaches. The first year of the A level course students study 'Foundations in Psychology' which explores Social, Biological, Cognitive and Learning Theories approaches as well as looking at popular themes and debates in Psychology. They will also be required to learn about the research methods employed by Psychologists. In the second year of the course students will apply these areas to Clinical and Criminal Psychology.

### Exam (3 x 2 Hours)

Paper 1 - Foundations in Psychology (35%)

Paper 2 - Applications in Psychology' (35%)

Paper 3—Psychological Skills (30%)

### Possible Destinations

- Forensic Psychology
- Educational Psychology
- Sports Psychologist
- Counsellors
- Coaching
- Police
- Physiotherapy
- Lawyers
- Business Management
- Human Resources

