



# Hampton Court House

## Curriculum Outline 2020/21 – Year 13 Psychology (LBS)

### Autumn 2020

Principal Text: *AQA Psychology Year 2*

Students will explore the plasticity of the brain and its amazing ability to recover functionally following injury. They will look at the different methods that have been used to study the brain and study the role of endogenous pacemakers and exogenous zeitgebers in controlling our biological rhythms.

Students also explore the different sources of stress including the role of daily hassles, the workplace and life events.

The role of self disclosure and physical attractiveness are explored in the topic of relationships. Various theories of romantic relationships are explored to give students a holistic understanding of modern day relationships.

Students will build upon their first year Psychology knowledge to understand and evaluate further topics in the A level. They will explore a number of mesmerising topics which will be assessed continuously through the use of AfL, homework tasks, quizzes and formal examinations.

Students will start the course of A-level Psychology by studying the internal workings of the human body and how they can explain human behaviour in the topic of 'biopsychology'. The topics of stress, relationships and addiction will allow them to channel their personal experience and thoughts into evaluating varying research findings.

### Spring 2021

Principal Text: *AQA Psychology Year 2*

Students will explore the Psychology of addiction with specific focus on smoking and gambling. They will use their year one knowledge of the approaches to explain how different perspectives explain each addiction.

Students will use their Psychological knowledge spanning the whole of the course to identify the key issues and justify where different behaviours and approaches fall in the different debates.

Links with fundamental values  
Stress-mutual respect  
Addiction-democracy  
Issues and debates-individual liberty  
Relationships- mutual respect

Social, moral, spiritual and cultural content  
Addiction-Moral and social  
Issues and debates- Social, moral, cultural  
Relationships- Social and cultural  
Research methods- Social and cultural

### Summer 2021

Principal Text: *AQA Psychology Year 2*

Research Methods:

Students will build upon their year 1 research methods to examine the use of inferential statistics. They will explore the different options available when analysing and interpreting, quantitative and qualitative data.