



Curriculum Journey 2025-2026

Subject: Psychology

Exam board: AQA

Year 13	Half Term 1	Half term 2	Half Term 3	Half Term 4	Half term 5	Half Term 6
Topic	Research methods Approaches Issues and debates	Schizophrenia	Relationships	Aggression	Consolidation of all content covered in Y12 and Y13. External exams start this half term.	External exam this half term.
Vocabulary	Sign test Chi squared Probability Psychodynamic Behaviourist Humanistic Determinism Idiographic Nomothetic Reductionism Free will Nature Nurture	Schizophrenogenic mother Dopamine hypothesis Double bind Expressed emotion Diathesis stress model Typical anti-psychotics Atypical anti-psychotics Symptom overlap Co-morbidity	Virtual relationships Filter theory Self-disclosure Matching hypothesis Investment model Parasocial relationships Equity theory Halo effect Hip to waist ratio	Limbic system Testosterone Frustration aggression hypothesis Social learning theory Deindividuation Desensitisation Ethological Cognitive priming Institutional aggression	All key terms from Y12 and Y13.	All key terms from Y12 and Y13.
Assessment	Milestone assessment x 2 Practice timed exam questions	Mock exams (2x2hr papers) Practice timed exam questions	Milestone assessment x 2 Practice timed exam questions	Mock exam (1x2hr paper) Practice timed exam questions	Practice timed exam questions Formal external exams	Formal external exams



Links to prior learning	Knowledge of research methods content and approaches from Y12.	Knowledge of mental health awareness from Y12 and PSHE. Knowledge of brain structures, neurotransmitters from biopsychology topic in Y12.	Knowledge of views on marriage and sexuality from RE. Evolutionary theory from biology.	Knowledge of brain structures, neurotransmitters from biopsychology, social learning theory from approaches and conformity from social influence.	Recap of all content covered across Y12 and Y13.	Recap of all content covered across Y12 and Y13.
Catholic Social Teaching	Dignity Solidarity The common good Option for the poor Peace	Dignity Option for the poor The common good Peace	Dignity Solidarity The common good	Dignity The common good Peace	Dignity Solidarity The common good Option for the poor Peace	Dignity Solidarity The common good Option for the poor Peace
Careers and Personal Development links	Critical thinking Ethical awareness Numeracy and interpreting data Problem solving Empathy Tolerance Links to careers: psychologists, academic researchers, data analyst, education, counsellor,	Critical thinking Ethical awareness Resilience Empathy Compassion Links to careers: clinical psychology, mental health nurse, neuroscience and medical research.	Empathy Communication Critical thinking Emotional intelligence Links to careers: counselling, social work, education, journalism, marketing.	Empathy Ethical reasoning Critical thinking Self-awareness Emotional control Links to careers: criminal justice system, law, education, youth work, public health.	Empathy Communication Critical thinking Emotional intelligence Ethical awareness Resilience Compassion Numeracy and interpreting data Problem solving Tolerance	Empathy Communication Critical thinking Emotional intelligence Ethical awareness Resilience Compassion Numeracy and interpreting data Problem solving Tolerance

	occupational health.	Clinical psychologist careers talk				
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