



## PSYCHOLOGY (PPX) – Year 10

### Subject Outline:

Year 10 Psychology introduces students to the scientific study of the brain and human behaviour. Explore the wonders of the brain and learn how this incredible organ shapes our thoughts, emotions, and behaviours. Discover the science behind neural connections and how they influence everything from learning to emotions. Gain insight into mental health issues and explore ways to promote well-being and resilience. Uncover the psychology behind deception and the reliability of eyewitness accounts. Finally, delve into how we perceive, think, and remember, and understand the common errors in our decision-making processes.

### Course Content:

The study of Psychology may include potentially sensitive topics. Teachers do follow set ethical guidelines and the school has support networks if students do need to access them if required.

Semester 1	Semester 2
<b>Individual development and behaviour</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Brain anatomy and neurons</li><li>Psychological disorders</li><li>Sleep and dreams</li><li>Data and psychology</li></ul>	<b>Individual thinking and the influence of others</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tells of lying</li><li>Influences on memory</li><li>Decision making</li><li>Social psychology</li></ul>

### Assessment Outline:

Types of assessment will prepare students for studying Psychology in Years 11 and 12, as well as developing skills that can be used in everyday life. Assessments may include:

Examinations: Short answer questions; response to stimulus

Prepared tasks: student experiments; investigations

### Learning Pathways:

Year 11/12 Subject	General/Applied/Other	Potential QCE Points	Recommended
Ancient History	General	4	C or better in year 10 English
Modern History	General	4	C or better in year 10 English
Geography	General	4	C or better in year 10 English
Legal Studies	General	4	C or better in year 10 English
Psychology	General	4	C or better in year 10 English, Maths and Science

**Career Pathways:**

The pathways a student may follow after school from studying Psychology include that of Psychologist, Allied Health worker, Criminologist, Human Resources consultant, Sports performance, Nursing and Primary school teacher.

Students develop vocabulary, literacy and research skills which are useful in all tertiary studies.

**Special Requirements:**

There are no specific requirements for this subject

**Approximate Cost: Nil**