### Course teachers:

- Year 12: Miss R Burgess and Miss J Palmer
- Year 13: TBC next year
- Head of Subject: Mrs A Treherne

### Exam board: Pearson

### **Assessment Scheme:**

The course is assessed through one examination and one internally assessed unit at the end of Year 12 and one examination and one internally assessed unit during Year 13:

- Unit 1: Psychological Approaches and Applications. Examination 1.5 hours January 2023
- Unit 2: Conducting Psychological Research. Internal assessment
- Unit 3: Health Psychology. Examination 2 hours January 2024
- Unit 6: Introduction to Psychopathology. Internal assessment

### **Course expectations**

- Complete a **minimum** of 5 hours independent study per week (see middle pages)
- Attend the timetabled after school study sessions when you have been invited to do so
- Be resilient. Don't give up. Make the effort that is required to be successful
- Ask for help. Find your teachers outside lessons or email them
- Act upon the feedback given to you and meet all deadlines

# **Shoeburyness High School**

Sixth Form

# Start of Course Information **Psychology** BTEC Level 3 National Extended Certificate

Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and the mind.

BTEC Applied Psychology is a challenging but rewarding course that offers a unique educational experience to develop a wide-ranging set of key skills.

During the course students will have the opportunity to carry out a pilot study to explore current issues in Psychology, learn about psychological approaches and assumptions and explore the areas of health psychology and psychopathology.

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<ul> <li>Review the week's class notes</li> <li>Read through your notes</li> <li>Ask/email your teacher if you are unsure of a concept or topic in your notes</li> <li>Rewrite key points from memory and then check</li> <li>Learn key psychological terminology</li> <li>Summarise notes into revision sheets/posters/mind maps</li> </ul>	<b>BTEC Psychologists:</b> You must complete a minimum of 5 hours of independent study per week!	<ul> <li>Read the text book/revision guide</li> <li>Visit Social Science to use text books to review chapters on topics covered in recent weeks</li> <li>Complete questions from the book chapters covering recent topics</li> <li>Use Microsoft Teams to access additional resources to enhance your knowledge</li> </ul>
Make a habit of doing this on a regular basis.		
<ul> <li>Learn everything!</li> <li>Learn all definitions and key psychological terminology</li> <li>Learn all spellings</li> <li>Learn all core studies</li> <li>Learn all research methods and the strengths and weaknesses of them</li> <li>Repeat this on a regular basis.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complete past paper questions</li> <li>Download BTEC papers from Microsoft Teams</li> <li>Make sure you understand and follow the command verb (state, describe, explain, calculate, evaluate etc.)</li> <li>Complete questions on recent class topics</li> <li>Use mark schemes to check for understanding</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Read around the subject</li> <li>Visit the library to use alternative text books</li> <li>Use resources to research for your 'physiological enquiry'</li> <li>Sign up to Twitter for further relevant information and resources (socscience_shs)</li> <li>Use appropriate websites: <ul> <li>www.bps.org.uk</li> <li>https://www.simplypsycholog y.org/research-methods.html</li> </ul> </li> </ul>