



QPHS Psychology Curriculum Intent

The Queen's Park High School Psychology curriculum is designed to fulfil the school's core vision: 'Inspiring Individuals, Empowering Minds, Defining Futures.'

Inspiring Individuals

- Introduce students to a **thrilling and stimulating** curriculum that facilitates understanding of all aspects of psychology, so that students develop **abstract theory & hypothesis** of human behaviour.
- Cultivating students' **interest and imagination**, so that they are able to understand how environment, biology and cognitive development effect our day to day behaviour.
- Communicate the idea that **all behaviour is learnt**. Investigating the idea of 'self'. What components of the world makes you who you are.

Empowering Minds

- To enable students, through their study of Psychology, to increase their vocabulary and to develop their ability to express themselves coherently in any setting.
- To familiarise students with the enormous effects language can have, and to understand that thoughts expressed in language and subsequent actions can bring about change.
- Enable students to support their enquiry and response to questions posed by sociological theories on crime and the criminal justice system by increasing their evaluative skills.

Defining Futures

- Empower students to **develop critical thinking skills** to be able to think in abstract form. Psychology teaches nothing is proven. You must be able to think and challenge long standing beliefs in a **constructive and investigative** way.
- Communicate the value **of learning and questioning, empowering** students to see the curiosity of an enquiring mind as a necessity to continuing their own ongoing education.
- Promote understanding, of an individuals, mental wellbeing. Giving students the tools to deal with highs and lows of day to day life.