



Shirley High School

Performing Arts College

"Striving for Excellence"

SM/P/LCH/Psychology GCSE
4 September 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Psychology GCSE

We are offering Year 9 and Year 10 students the opportunity to study for an extra GCSE in Psychology. This opportunity has arisen due to the rising popularity of Psychology in the school and at the request of several students.

GSCE Psychology classes will take place from Monday 9 September 2019 in twilight sessions running from 3.00 pm – 4.00 pm on Monday and Wednesday each week – week A and B. There will also be reading and homework tasks to complete each week. This will be in addition to your child's timetable and will be an additional GSCE on top of those already being studied. We anticipate that the course will take two years and students will sit the exam in 2021. This means Year 10 students will sit their Psychology GCSE with their other subjects in Year 11 and if they are ready, Year 9 students will sit their Psychology GCSE in Year 10. We will be studying the AQA GCSE which is a lovely course covering issues such as how memory works, how children develop their ways of thinking, how we perceive the world, how we are influenced by those around us in our families, peer groups and society, language, thought and communication, the brain and neuropsychology, what happens when the brain gets damaged and mental health, including depression and addiction.

We have a limit of 25 spaces to take this course this year. Students who are interested should attend a meeting with Dr Milne in C12 at 1.25 pm on Friday 6 September 2019 and should bring the permission slip below with them to the meeting. The course will then commence the following Monday 9 September 2019.

Please do get in touch with Dr Milne at milne@shirley.croydon.sch.uk if you would like any further information about the course.

Yours sincerely

Dr S Milne
Teacher of Psychology



SHIRLEY HIGH SCHOOL PERFORMING ARTS COLLEGE REPLY SLIP

To: Dr S Milne – Teacher of Psychology
Re: Psychology GCSE

Student Name:..... **Tutor Group:**.....

I give my consent for my son / daughter to attend Twilight Psychology GCSE on Monday and Wednesday each week from 3.00 pm-4.00 pm and understand it is a requirement that they attend every lesson. Normal school rules and sanctions apply with regards to class attendance, behaviour, classwork and homework

Signature of Parent /Carer:..... **Dated:**.....

Principal: Mr T Myton NPQH NPQSL IOMEL CLT PGCE BSc (Hons)

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