

Department Information for Teacher of Psychology

The Psychology Department

Psychology A level is a popular and well-regarded subject at LEH. The department is staffed by three specialist teachers who use a variety of teaching methods including research activities, debate and individual research investigations to engage and inspire the girls alongside a focus on activities using iPads. The team has a dedicated classroom and is well-resourced with a good range of books, visual resources and periodicals. The atmosphere within the department is friendly and collaborative. In September there will be four teaching groups in Year 12 and three in Year 13.

We follow the AQA linear specification and a large proportion of our students choose to continue their studies at degree level. The department prepares girls every year for Oxbridge applications. We offer enrichment sessions to extend knowledge, understanding and interest beyond A level, and also attend external conferences and encourage girls to conduct their own research investigations as part of an EPQ. We organise trips to relevant theatre and film productions linking these to the psychological content of enrichment sessions. In the Spring Term we invite an outside speaker to deliver 'Psychology Brain Day'. This provides our LVI students with the opportunity to discover more about the latest techniques and research into brain functioning in relation to memory, perception, gender and mental disorders.

Some of our Psychology staff are able to offer a second academic subject which can be useful.

General Teaching Job Description

- To plan, prepare and teach lessons as required by the department.
- To set homework and mark written work regularly and ensure that the correct procedures are followed if work is missing, incomplete or late.
- To set, supervise and mark school examinations and course work for public examinations.
- To assess, record and report on the development, progress and attainment of pupils and to communicate this information to parents via written reports and Parents' Evenings. To provide written information for the UCAS and other similar forms.
- To provide guidance and advice when subject choices are made.
- To review methods of teaching and programmes of work and participate in arrangements for further training and professional development.
- To contribute to departmental extra-curricular activities.
- To consult your line manager about any problems occurring over academic matters, such as aspects of the curriculum or the syllabus for GCSE or A-level.
- To keep records of attendance at lessons as required.
- To keep records of books distributed.
- To encourage as much use as possible of the school libraries and other resources.
- To invigilate and undertake administration associated with public examinations.
- To maintain good order and discipline among pupils and safeguard their health and safety.
- To consult Assistant Heads or Form Tutors about serious discipline problems or any other difficulties pupils may cause, or may appear to be having.
- To contribute to PSHE and General Studies programmes as required.
- To attend Departmental, Year, Staff, Parents' and Inset meetings.
- To attend assemblies.
- To provide cover for absent staff, especially within the department, and to carry out other duties as required.
- To act as a Form Tutor if required.
- To adhere to school policy on safeguarding and update training as required.
- To ensure the safeguarding and well-being of children and young people at the school in accordance with school policies.

The Lady Eleanor Holles School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. All applicants must be willing to undergo child protection screening, including checks with past employer and the Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS).

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable	Assessment via application form/ interview/lesson observation/written task/references
A strong academic background and a good honours degree or equivalent in Psychology or other related subject	✓		Application form
A teaching qualification e.g. PGCE		✓	Application form
The ability to teach Psychology at A level	✓		Application form Lesson observation
The ability to teach a second subject		✓	Application form References
Excellent teaching, communication, team working and inter-personal skills	✓		Lesson observation
A willingness to participate fully in the programme of extra-curricular activities and trips	✓		Interview
Excellent written and spoken English	✓		Written task Interview
Good ICT skills	✓		Application form
Efficiency and reliability	✓		Interview
Active support of the ethos and aims of the school	✓		Interview
Committed to the safeguarding and well-being of children and young people	✓		Interview

An application pack is available from the School's website by clicking [here](#). Applications must be made on the School's own form and should be sent to personnel@lehs.org.uk.

The closing date is noon on Wednesday, 9th June 2021.

CVs will not be considered and should not be submitted.

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