Year 9 Carousel Curriculum - Psychology

	Carousel 1	Carousel 2
Knowledge	Mixed topics in Psychology and careers	Mixed topics in Psychology and own research
	The carousel aims to provide students with a broad range of psychological topics that are from various psychological perspectives.	The carousel aims to provide students with a broad range of psychological topics that are from various psychological perspectives.
	The following topics will aimed to be covered: An introduction to Psychology The brain including the lobes and damage to the brain Sleep including biological rhythms and sleep studies. Stress including how life changes can affect mental and physical health Animal research including animal ethics and problems of generalisability Dreaming including theories and dream diaries Careers In Psychology and presentation skills Personality including different personality tests Positive Psychology looking how to increase positivity	The following topics will aimed to be covered: Bystander effect and diffusion of responsibility in social situations Forensic psychology specifically looking at profiling criminals Halo Effect and how it changes our perception of others Sports psychology focusing on improving athletes outcomes in competition Independent research including research methods skills
Skills	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of psychological ideas, processes and procedures.	AO1: Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of psychological ideas, processes and procedures.
	AO2: Apply knowledge and understanding of psychological ideas, processes and procedures.	AO2: Apply knowledge and understanding of psychological ideas, processes and procedures.
	AO3: Analyse and evaluate psychological information, ideas, processes and procedures to make judgements and draw conclusions.	AO3: Analyse and evaluate psychological information, ideas, processes and procedures to make judgements and draw conclusions.
Key Questions		
Assessment - focus on effort / core knowledge.	Low stakes questioning, knowledge based assessment, quick check questions.	Low stakes questioning, knowledge based assessment, quick check questions.
Literacy/numeracy/	Structured whole class and independent reading, challenging articles • high challenge questions using academic vocabulary • Structured writing • Terminology	

SMSC/Character	& definitions of Tier 3 and tier 2 words • SEN support – differentiated writing frames i.e. PEEL paragraphs, sentence starters • Development and questioning opinions and new ideas on psychological issues and problems • Presentation skills to develop oracy • Starters i.e. word bingo, key concept recall • Inquiry sl • Analytical skills • SMSC – Directly and indirectly embedded in lessons – psychological issues discussed within lessons, students able to empathise with other starters is a student of the star	
Enrichment opportunities and futures	Undertake own psychological research in a field of interest under the supervision of staff, Careers lessons to understand potential futures. Core skills are developed to support the transition to the world of work including: Independent research skills ; Group work and ability to work independently; Communication and Cooperation ; Public speaking .	