

Psychology & Sociology

Psychology & Sociology are taught within the ICT & Social Sciences faculty. Both subjects are highly popular options, with 2 classes of A level and 3 classes of AS Psychology and we started a GCSE Sociology course in September 2008. We achieve excellent results in both subjects.

In 2008 The Ridgeway School was rated as outstanding by Ofsted. The inspectors stated that "students' achievement in the sixth form is outstanding in both their academic and personal development"

The specifications taught are A level Psychology A (AQA), A level Sociology (AQA) and GCSE Sociology (AQA).

The Social Sciences Team

Name	Job Title	Departmental Responsibilities
Lucy Dunne	Faculty Leader	Faculty Leader Teaches Business Studies & Economics
Vacant Position	Subject Leader Psychology & Sociology	Subject Leader, teaches Psychology & Sociology A level Sociology GCSE level
Matthew Webber	English & Sociology	Teaches Sociology A level (1/2 timetable)
Susan Pollock	Assistant KS 3 Coordinator	Teaches A level Psychology (1/2 timetable)

Resources

The department is well resourced with a dedicated class room equipped with a Smart board, PC and audio-visual equipment and many resources are held electronically. There are also a range of DVD and VHS materials.

Results

A2 Psychology

2008	Total	Male	Female
% A - B	46.7	66.6	41.7
National Average A - B	43.3	32.7	47.1
% A - E	100	100	100
Value Added	0.33	1.33	0.13

A2 Sociology

2008	Total	Male	Female
% A – B	100	100	100
National Average A – B	53.8	49.7	54.9
% A – E	100	100	100
Value Added	1.17	1.0	1.5

Ethos

To become a world class, leading edge faculty where students are developed and thrive as independent learners, with a passion for their subjects.