



29 March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

Re: Year 12 Psychology

I am writing to you to share important information regarding the teaching of Psychology for the first half of the Summer term.

As you may be aware one of our team is leaving us at Easter, however I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Callender, an extremely well qualified psychology specialist, who will join us from May half term; unfortunately, this leaves a six week gap between departure and arrival. With this in mind we will need to implement a short term plan to ensure that as many lessons as possible are covered by our existing staff for the six week interim period.

A temporary timetable for some year groups will run from after Easter until the May half term, after which the normal timetable will resume. In addition to this we will also look to add additional sessions for students after the May half term, where possible, to catch up any missed learning.

All Year 12 Psychology students will have at least 70% of their lessons taught by our Head of Psychology, Mr Lambert, however, the remaining 30% will involve independent study set by our psychology department prior to the lesson occurring.

I have discussed the curriculum plan for Year 12 with Mr Lambert and am very confident that the topics outlined in the short term plan will be covered in the normal planned time frame. We will also speak to the students directly in lessons.

I apologise for the delay in contacting you regarding this however I wanted to be able to give definitive details. Should you require any further information or clarification please do not hesitate to contact me at pberry@st-martins.essex.sch.uk or Mr Lambert at glambert@st-martins.essex.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

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