INSTRUCTIONS TO TEACHERS:

Lesson 1 & 2:
- Hand out information sheet (below) and discuss the subject including topics, structure, SAC results, Exam results, etc.
- Teach the basics of Ethics (below) and watch the film The Truman Show.
- Discuss during and after the film how ethical considerations were breached with Truman and other main characters of the film.

Lesson 3
- Discussion about the film and how the ethical considerations were breached with Truman and other main characters of the film.
- Discussion about Baby Albert experiment (relate to ethics)
- Holiday homework handed out and discussed
**Ethics:** The code of Ethics are rules that MUST be adhered to by all practicing Psychologists. These ethics have been developed by the Registration Board of Victoria and the Australian Psychological Society to protect participants from any physical or mental harm that may be caused by experiments and also to protect relationships between patients and psychologists.

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Psychology is the systematic study of behaviour and mental processes including perception, cognition and emotion. Psychology is considered a scientific study because research is conducted systematically meaning research is methodical. Psychological research allows us to manipulate our environment through conducting experiments to learn more about humans and their behaviours, dreams, desires and interactions.

**TRANSITION PLAN**

**Introduction:**
- Structure of course including SAC’s and Exams (Same as Units 3 & 4)
  - Unit 1 SACs – 20%
  - Unit 2 SACs – 20%
  - End of year Exam – 60%
- Topics covered
- Materials needed
  - Lever Arch Folder
  - Loose Leaf paper
  - Loose Leaf refills
  - Dividers
- Expectations

**Activities during transition:**
- Ethics in research
- Watch ‘The Truman Show’ and discuss ethical breaches relating to the main character and other characters with reference to his behaviour
- Ethics in Baby Albert’s experiment

**Holiday Homework:**
- Psychologist of the century poster
- Textbook questions relating to ethics
  - Check Your Understanding 1.9
  - Check Your Understanding 1.10
- Student Activity Manual questions
  - Activity 1.9 ‘Ethical Issues’

Welcome to Psychology for the next couple of years!

Have a great Christmas and a really great break and return to school in 2014 refreshed and ready to work hard!

Cheers,
The VCE Psychology Team