

Some chemistry basics before you start

The entire A level course is on a Virtual Learning Environment. The VLE we use is Google Sites.

It's very easy to forget most of what you learnt at GCSE over the summer holiday. This work will ensure you a little better prepared to hit the ground running in September. You will have been taught most of this at GCSE, some of the words change slightly at A level so you must look up the answers to the questions. If you have an exercise book please complete the work in that book and bring it with you to your first chemistry lessons, paper is fine if you don't have a book.

Task 1

Current Arden students: Find the google site:

<https://sites.google.com/arden.solihull.sch.uk/year12chemistry/pre-as-summer-work>

Current External students: Find the google site:

<https://sites.google.com/view/ardenpreaschem/home>

Complete all the pre-learning tasks on the sites, the two sites contain the same tasks and information. Use your GCSE work and the resources on the site to help you

Bring this work with you to your first few lessons, you will find it enormously useful.

Task 2

(Sorry, only current Arden pupils can access these pages; as soon as you join in September any new students will be able to access them too!)

For the period of the summer holiday the whole of the course will be available to view. It is currently in the process of being constructed on the new google sites. However it would be a good idea for you to start looking at the resources available and the type of work you will be completing.

The main site page for chemistry is:

<https://sites.google.com/arden.solihull.sch.uk/ks5chemistry>

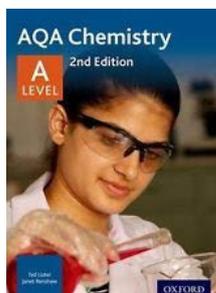
Task 3

We are no longer purchase textbooks for students. We recommend the following text. There are others available, so please feel free to look at other texts and choose the one you prefer. We have a selection of others you can look at. Please ensure that you select a text that covers the AQA specification.

Although we do not teach from the textbook in class you will need one to support your own learning.

If you search the ISBN it will give you the AQA approved 3 available texts.

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Please also complete the task marked 'Maths for A Level Sciences'!