

ROYAL SOCIETY OF CHEMISTRY MID SCOTLAND SECTION

To: Principal Teacher in charge of Chemistry

TOP OF THE BENCH WEDNESDAY 9th NOVEMBER 2011 18:30 – 21:00 FORTH VALLEY COLLEGE

We invite your school to submit a team to take part in this annual event that will take the form of a practical challenge held in the chemistry laboratories at Forth Valley College, Grangemouth Road, Falkirk. In order to comply with National Rules the team should consist of:

1 pupil from S2, 2 pupils from S3 and one from S4.

The winning team on the night will be asked to compete in the National Finals that are to be held in the Spring of 2012 with expenses paid by the RSC.

This event is generously supported by the local chemical industry, Syngenta in particular, and Forth Valley College with valuable prizes to be won for both the pupils and their schools.

There are only a limited number of places available because of limitations on accommodation at Falkirk College and applications will be accepted strictly on a first come first served basis.

The competition is practically based with the pupils being asked to show that they can work as a team, demonstrate safe working practices in a clean & tidy manner, use their intuition in arriving at a way to solve the problem and to be able to show by formulae and/or equations that they understand the chemistry behind what they have done.

In addition each school will be expected to prepare a short presentation to be delivered on the night. More details later.

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We are looking forward to seeing you and your team on the night. It is essential that your team are at the College for the 18:30 start to allow for the necessary introductions, explanations, demonstrations and safety details. The practical competition will start promptly at 18:45.

Mark Dennis
Section Secretary