Chemistry A-Level at Highdown

To prepare for the start of the course, you must get a folder in which you will store your work, as well as section dividers for the different topics.

You will also need to spend some time over the summer familiarising yourself with this course specification, with a focus on which areas are developed from GCSE and which areas are new content to study.

You can make a summary table using the headings from chapter 3 – Subject Content from the specification and place at the front of your folder, to act as a Personalised Learning Checklist throughout the course.

The specification for this course can be found at https://filestore.aqa.org.uk/resources/chemistry/specifications/AQA-7404-7405-SP-2015.PDF

Relevant sections for your induction session can be found on page 15 and 22 of the online specification (moles and enthalpy changes/calorimetry), with information about the relevant practical skills in section 8 on page 89

Induction Task

Complete the exercises in chapters 1 – 3 of the 'Mole Book'

Chapter 1 – Atomic structure and calculating Relative Formula Mass

Chapter 2 – Writing formulae from names

Chapter 3 – Writing names from formulae

References

Required Textbook:

AQA Chemistry 2nd edition: A Level Year 1 and AS. Author: Ted Lister and Janet Renshaw ISBN: 978-0-19-835181-8

If you have a device you can bring to lessons, you can access this online via your Kerboodle login. Otherwise, a physical copy needs to be brought. You can also purchase the A Level version which contains both Year 1 (AS) and Year 2 content.

Required Practical Lab Book

All students are required to keep a lab book recording their Required Practical Assessment work. We recommend using the Pearson AQA A Level Chemistry lab book.

ISBN - 978-1-292-24529-4

Search on Amazon for "AQA A Level Chemistry lab book Pearson"

Useful Websites:

https://www.physicsandmathstutor.com/chemistry-revision/a-level-aga/

https://www.chemguide.co.uk/

https://www.docbrown.info/

Deadline

You are expected to have the above completed by your first Chemistry lesson of the new academic year.