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Dear Parents/Guardians

Year 12 A2 Chemistry work

Since boys have returned from Year 12 study leave we have made a significant start to the A2 Chemistry course in the area of 'Organic Chemistry'. We recognised and planned for some disruption to the final 7 weeks of term as we knew boys would be out at the occasional Open day, DofE trip, and our own Sports Day falls on a 'Chemistry day'.

One teacher has taught the boys about spectroscopy and chromatography. To support boys with absences we have put a range of resources, including notes, presentations and video tutorials onto the Q drive of our school site which all boys know about and can access. With the other teacher the boys have been learning about benzene and phenol and where they have missed lessons the teachers have made every attempt to support boys with catching up, sending work via email where necessary.

We have made it very clear to the boys what we expect them to have achieved by the time they return in September. We hope that you will support your son in spending some time over the holiday ensuring that he can 'hit the ground running' in September by completing any outstanding work, organising his files and purchasing new files where necessary.

To support their study at A2 the boys will also need to purchase a copy of the following book: OCR Chemistry A2 – David Gent and Rob Ritchie which accompanies the course - ISBN: 978-0-435691-98-1. This book is written for the OCR course and homework will be set from this book. Unfortunately, we do not have second hand books to sell this year.

Please do contact me if I can be of any help.

Kind regards

Dr Emma Baker

Director of Science/Head of Chemistry