

# ROYAL SOCIETY OF CHEMISTRY MID SCOTLAND SECTION

**To: Principal Teacher in charge of Chemistry**

**TOP OF THE BENCH  
WEDNESDAY 21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER 2007  
18:45 – 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 at the Science Museum and Imperial College in London in the Spring of 2008 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 purely 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.

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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 18:45 start to allow for the necessary introductions, explanations, demonstrations and safety details. The practical competition will start promptly at 19:00.

Terry Howe  
Section Secretary