

Curriculum Subject: Chemistry KS5

	Autumn 1	Autumn 2	Spring 1	Spring 2	Summer 1	Summer 2
YEAR 12	Atoms, compounds, molecules & equations Amount of substance Acid–base & redox reactions Electrons, bonding & structure	Atoms, compounds, molecules & equations Amount of substance Acid–base & redox reactions Electrons, bonding & structure	The periodic table & periodicity Group 2 & the halogens Basic concepts Hydrocarbons Alkenes and haloalkanes	Enthalpy changes Reaction rates Alcohols	Qualitative analysis Equilibrium (qualitative) Organic synthesis Analytical techniques (IR & MS)	Y2 content started: Reaction rates Aromatic compounds
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use of the mole as a quantity to measure change in reactions: including water of recrystallisation, complex calculations How electrons are configured in different levels of organisation: shells, subshells and orbitals Applying the fundamental concepts of bonding to data Developing the skill of record keeping for a labbook 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The application of electron pair repulsion to understand the 3D shape of molecules The principle of electronegativity to explain polarity The different forces of attraction between molecules, including London forces and Hydrogen bonding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The trends that occur across a period and the use of the concepts of shielding, nuclear charge and atomic radii to explain these The reactivity and properties of Group 2 and Group 7 elements The naming of carbon-based organic compounds using IUPAC nomenclature The reactivity of the haloalkane and alkene functional groups and introduction to organic mechanisms as explanations for reaction outcomes 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use of enthalpy data to understand the energy changes on reaction The explanation of rates of reaction using collision theory and statistical analysis using Boltzmann distribution curves The reactivity of the alcohol functional group and the use of alkenes in addition polymers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The use of K_c to quantify and explain changes to the position of equilibrium The use of specialist organic practical techniques to synthesise a biologically active organic solid The analysis of organic structures using infrared spectroscopy and mass spectrometry 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The methods to determine the order of each reactant in the rate equation The importance of the rate determining step and its use in proposing mechanisms of reaction The chemistry and reactivity of aromatic (benzene) containing compounds, including phenols and directing groups
	Options Round 2					
YEAR 13	Equilibrium (quantitative) pH & buffers Carbonyl compounds Carboxylic acids & esters	Enthalpy, entropy & free energy Nitrogen compounds Polymers	Redox & electrode potentials Organic synthesis Chromatography & spectroscopy (NMR)	Transition elements Polymers PAG practicals: theory	Revision	External exams Paper 1: Periodic table, elements and physical chemistry <i>100 marks, 2h15, 37% of total A-level</i> Paper 2: Synthesis and Analytical Techniques <i>100 marks, 2h15, 37% of total A-level</i> Paper 3: Unified Chemistry <i>70 marks, 1h30, 26% of total A-level</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Calculating K_c for solutions and K_p for gases Calculation of the pH of acids, alkalis and buffer solutions The chemistry of the C=O carbonyl group and corresponding functional groups: esters, carboxylic acids; acid chlorides 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chemistry of nitrogen based functional groups: amines and amides The formation and hydrolysis of condensation polymers The use of Born-Harber diagrams for enthalpy calculations The concepts and calculations of enthalpy and entropy and their unification in Gibbs Free Energy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Devising multi-step synthetic routes from a starting material to a product Use of ^1H and ^{13}C NMR to deduce the structure of simple molecules Use of redox chemistry to induce a voltage by the formation of electrochemical cells 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The chemistry of transition metals and the use of ligands to bind with transition metals to form complexes The chemistry of transition metal complexes The key practical theory covered in the PAG practicals over the 2 year course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Synoptic spaced practice with an emphasis of Paper 3: unified Chemistry How to decipher exam questions Revisiting key challenging concepts: calculations Applying knowledge to new scenarios (AO3) 	

St Bede's Curriculum Design Principles

Within subjects: depth, relevance, sequencing, spacing

Between subjects: breadth, cultural capital, coherence, progression, interlinking