

24/11/2023

Dear Parent,

Chemistry Challenge 2023-24 (Chiltern and Middlesex section)

Your son has been invited to participate in this year's Chemistry Challenge, a competition run by the RSC's (Royal Society of Chemistry) SE Region for schools and science clubs in the four RSC local sections in the South-East of England (Kent, Chilterns & Middlesex, Downlands and Thames Valley).

Chemistry Challenge is open to teams consisting of **four Year 10 students**. The competition runs in two stages. The preliminary round takes place in the Autumn term with a final completion date of **20th December 2023**. The participating RSC Sections will be assessed separately and the winner from each Section will be offered a place in the South-East Regional Final of the Chemistry Challenge to be held at a London University in 2024.

The second stage, the South-East Regional Chemistry Challenge Final, is designed to test the teams' ingenuity as well as their team-working skills, and their chemical and general knowledge. The regional final also contains a practical task to test the teams' laboratory skills.

Participants should be aware that this is not an exam, nor is it based systematically on any published curriculum. It is designed to test the teams' ingenuity as well as their chemical and general knowledge, and all parts of the challenge are designed to enable team discussion.

The Preliminary round will take place here at RGS after school on Wednesday 6th December starting at 3.45pm in Upper Library. Seasonal light refreshment will be available as the students complete various rounds. The aim would be to finish around 5pm.

Please complete the form <https://forms.office.com/e/nLLgXdLsXQ> to confirm that your son can take part in this event and that he will be picked up or will be able to make his way home at 5pm.

Yours sincerely

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