Properties of Alcohols

Pre-lesson assignment – Textbook page 216-218 (also pages 81-83)

Define the following terms

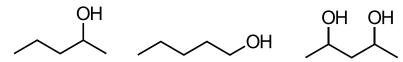
- Hydrogen bond
- Volatility

Now watch the video on hydrogen bonding

Make notes on the properties of alcohols

Use the following questions as guidance

- 1. Give three uses of alcohols.
- 2. Name these alcohols:



- 3. What type of structure would you expect alcohols to have?
- 4. Explain how the different chain lengths of alkanes leads to different boiling points.
- 5. Why are O-H bonds polar?
- 6. Draw a diagram to show how water interacts with a molecule of ethanol.
- 7. Explain why alcohols dissolve in water.
- 8. Show how two molecules of ethanol would interact with each other.
- 9. Why are alcohols less volatile than the alkanes?
- 10. How does the extent of hydrogen bonding affect boiling point?