

## Secondary Student Textbooks 2016-2017

This year, parents will again be able to purchase textbooks directly from our chosen supplier, A & P (Academic & Professional Book Centre). This is the same company that we have used for the past four years. A & P is Hong Kong-based, offers competitive prices and has a custom-designed website for ordering. Payment will be made directly to A & P by credit card, or by cash when collecting books if credit card is not possible. Please note that if you pay by cash, there will likely be a much longer waiting time when collecting books.

To access the ordering website, click here: <http://www.bookshop4u.com/dc>

Select your child's current year level (or "New to DC" if your child is a new student starting in August 2016) and the year level that your child is going into in August 2016. Input the required details and select the books that you need to purchase.

The last day for ordering books through the online system will be **Thursday 30 June** for students entering Year 12, and **Friday 29 July** for students entering Years 7-11 and Year 13. After the closing date, orders can be made by contacting Mr Andrew Kwan by email at [dc.order@bookshop4u.com](mailto:dc.order@bookshop4u.com).

### Students going into Year 7

- All students in Year 7 need to buy the same Maths and Science books.
- Please **keep the receipt** as it is required to access the online version of the Maths textbook.
- The Science books will be used throughout Years 7-9.
- There is no Spanish textbook for Year 7.
- Students taking Chinese need to buy the correct level of textbook and/or workbook depending on which phase they are in.
- Parents of students currently in Year 6 will receive a separate communication stating which Chinese textbook should be purchased for each student.

### Students going into Year 8

- All students in each year level need to buy the same Maths and Science books.
- Please **keep the receipt** as it is required to access the online version of the Maths textbook.
- The Science books are used throughout Years 7-9. If you bought the Science textbook last year for Year 7, you do not need to buy it again. New students will need to buy the Science textbook.
- There is no Spanish textbook for Year 8.
- Students taking Chinese need to buy the correct level of textbook and workbook depending on which phase they are in.
- Parents of students currently in Year 7 will be informed which textbook to purchase by their child's current Chinese teacher.

### Students going into Year 9

- All students in each year level need to buy the same Maths and Science books.
- Please **keep the receipt** as it is required to access the online version of the Maths textbook.
- The Science books are used throughout Years 7-9. If you bought the Science textbook last year for Year 8, you do not need to buy it again. New students will need to buy the Science textbook.
- Students taking Spanish all buy the same textbook.
- Students taking Chinese need to buy the correct level of textbook and workbook depending on which phase they are in.
- Parents of students currently in Year 8 will be informed which textbook to purchase by their child's current Chinese teacher.

### **Students going into Year 10**

- All students in Year 10 need to buy all three Science books (Biology, Chemistry and Physics). These books are used throughout Years 10 and 11.
- Students in Year 10 all buy the same Maths book.
- Students taking Spanish all buy the same book (student book and workbook).
- Student taking Chinese need to buy the correct level of textbook (and workbook if required) depending on which phase they are in.
- Parents of students currently in Year 9 will receive a separate communication from their child's current Chinese teacher, stating which Chinese textbook should be purchased.

### **Students going into Year 11**

- Year 11 students DO NOT need to purchase science textbooks if they already have them from Year 10. New students will need to buy all three Science books (Biology, Chemistry and Physics).
- Students taking Standard Maths will use the same textbook as in Year 10, so no further purchase is necessary
- Students taking Extended Maths need to purchase the new textbook indicated.
- Parents of students currently in Year 10 will receive a separate communication from their child's current Maths teacher, stating which Maths textbook should be purchased, if any.
- New students will need to buy the correct level of Maths textbook.
- Students taking Spanish all buy the same book (student book and workbook).
- Student taking Chinese need to buy the correct level of textbook (and workbook if required) depending on which phase they are in.
- Parents of students currently in Year 10 will receive a separate communication from their child's current Chinese teacher, stating which Chinese textbooks should be purchased.

### **Students going into Year 12**

- Students need to buy all the books for the subjects and levels (Higher or Standard) that they have chosen to study. All students and parents are aware of what option choices have been made.
- If in any doubt, contact Mr Brian McCann (VP/DP Coordinator) [brian.mccann@dc.edu.hk](mailto:brian.mccann@dc.edu.hk)
- The purchase of books for English will be organised through the English department when texts have been decided upon. The choice of texts will depend on the interests and needs of each class.

### **Students going into Year 13**

- Books used in Year 12 will continue to be used in Year 13.
- Design Technology students going from Year 12 into Year 13 need to buy the textbook indicated.

### **New students starting in August 2016**

- It may not be possible to place new students in the correct level for Chinese and/or Maths until they arrive in the school.
- New Year 12 students may not have finalised subject choices.
- If unsure what books to buy, it is better to wait until August before ordering. There may be some delay in the arrival of books, but it is better to wait and ensure that you buy the correct books.
- As the online ordering system will be closed, you will need to order books by contacting Mr Andrew Kwan at [dc.order@bookshop4u.com](mailto:dc.order@bookshop4u.com)

### **Changing books**

Year 12 students may change their mind as to what subjects and/or levels they wish to study, even after several weeks of school. In Years 7-11, students may change their language level and therefore textbook in the first few weeks of the year. Year 12 and Language B textbooks can therefore be returned to A & P for a refund, as long as they are in as-new condition, for example they have not been written on. New textbooks can then be ordered. The deadline for returning books is **Friday 30 September 2016**.

### **Additional Queries**

If you have any questions that are not addressed in this letter, please contact Claudia Richardson at [claudia.richardson@dc.edu.hk](mailto:claudia.richardson@dc.edu.hk).

### Book distribution

A & P will run a distribution point at Discovery College in the foyer of the theatre from 10.00am to 4.30pm on the following dates:

- Monday 8 – Friday 12 August
- Monday 15 August
- Wednesday 17 August

Please remember to bring your book order confirmation and cash (if you have not paid by credit card). Please note that if you pay by cash, there will likely be a much longer waiting time when collecting books.

After Wednesday 17 August, books will need to be collected from, returned to or exchanged at the A & P branch in Tsim Sha Tsui (see address below).

### Address

Room 603, 6/F Austin Tower,  
 22 Austin Avenue (or 152 Austin Road),  
 Tsim Sha Tsui, Kowloon.

Tel: 2774 3740

Email: [dc.order@bookshop4u.com](mailto:dc.order@bookshop4u.com)

Nearest MTR Station: Jordan (Take Exit D)

Nearest West Rail Station: Austin (Take Exit F)

Nearest East Rail Station: Hung Hom (Take Exit D)

### Opening hours

Monday-Saturday 10.00am-7.00pm

Sundays and public holidays Closed

