

September 2019



Dear Parent/Carer

**Y12 Biology Textbooks**

In order to support the studies of your son/daughter at home, it is clearly desirable that they should have access to a good quality textbook which is appropriate for the course which they are following.

We are able to loan all Y12 students a textbook for the duration of the Y12 course. This involves significant expense and we would ask for your support in encouraging your son/daughter to make good use of their copy, yet treat it with due care. The textbooks will be recalled following the examinations in June Y12. In the event that a student does not return their copy, or if it is in an unsatisfactory condition, we would have no choice but to insist that they reimburse the school for the full cost of the book, i.e. £29.99. I hope that you appreciate the need to take this line and would ask that the reply slip below is completed and returned to a **Biology teacher**, by way of agreement with these terms.

Every effort is being made to increase the provision of Biology textbooks in the LRC and students should also aim to make full use of these resources. We would also recommend that students purchase the textbook published by CGP to act as a revision guide. We have this available to purchase from school at the reduced price of £10.50 (R.R.P. £19.99).

<https://www.cgpbooks.co.uk/secondary-books/as-and-a-level/science/biology/batb52-a-level-biology-for-aqa-year-1-as-stud>

In addition, you can use a search engine to find 'AQA A-level Biology revision guides' and there will be alternative resources available (Exam board code 7401 for AS resources and 7402 for A-level), to ensure it is for the current specification.

Please complete the slip overleaf and enclose the payment in an envelope marked clearly with students Name, Form and Biology Revision Guide if you wish your son/daughter to purchase a guide and hand it in to Student Reception. Alternatively, you can pay online using a very secure website called ParentPay. If you would like a copy of your unique activation username and password please email parentpay@silverdale.sheffield.sch.uk stating your child's name and year group or contact the finance office at [finance@silverdale.sheffield.sch.uk](mailto:finance@silverdale.sheffield.sch.uk)

For your information, the course has 6 required practicals each year so good attendance is vital to pass the practical endorsement aspect.

**Executive Headteacher: Roisin Paul**Follow us on  @SilverdaleSch Like us on  @SilverdaleSch

May I also take this opportunity to stress that work on the A-level Y13 Biology course will commence as soon as possible following the June interim examinations. It will be detrimental to progress and performance if students are absent from school at this time. A three-day residential field course will take place at the beginning of July and it is expected that all students will take part.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this letter or have any queries about your son/daughter's Biology course, please contact the school.

Yours sincerely

*S Summers/T Brown*

Mrs S Summers/Mrs T Brown

**Co-Subject Leaders: Biology**

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| <p><b><u>FOR TEACHER'S USE:</u></b></p> <p>BOOK NUMBER:</p> |
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**Silverdale School Y12 Biology Textbook Loan Scheme**

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like my son/daughter to be able to borrow an Y12 Biology Textbook for the duration of the course.

I/We understand that if the book is not returned in a satisfactory condition, £29.99 will be payable to Silverdale School.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RETURN TO BIOLOGY TEACHER**

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**Silverdale School Y12 Biology Revision Guide**

Students Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Form: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like to purchase a Biology Revision Guide and enclose payment of £\_\_\_\_\_ (Cheques made payable to Silverdale School/or Parentpay).

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE PLACE SLIP AND PAYMENT IN AN ENVELOPE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH BIOLOGY REVISION GUIDE, STUDENTS NAME AND FORM AND RETURN TO STUDENT RECEPTION.**