

Public library opening hours for Christmas and New Year holidays

The Leisure and Cultural Services Department today (December 18) announced that the Hong Kong Central Library and most public libraries, as well as all students' study rooms, will close at 5pm on Christmas Eve (December 24) and New Year's Eve (December 31). Public libraries at Butterfly Estate, Lek Yuen, Sha Tau Kok, Shek Wai Kok, Tai O, Tin Shui Wai North, Mui Wo, North Lamma and Peng Chau will close at 1pm as usual. The South Lamma Public Library and all mobile libraries will be closed on the two days as they are normally closed on Sundays.

On Christmas Day (December 25), Boxing Day (December 26) and New Year's Day (January 1, 2024), all Hong Kong public libraries, mobile libraries and students' study rooms will be closed.

Moreover, system maintenance work will be carried out from 0.30am on December 25 to 11.59pm on December 26, and from 0.30am to 11.59pm on January 1, 2024, during which the following services will be suspended:

- * library mobile app services and Internet and telephone renewal services;
- * other online library services, including the library catalogue, borrowers' record enquiries, reservation of library materials and Internet and Digital Service Workstations and electronic resources (e-books and e-databases); and
- * self-service library stations (readers may still return books to the stations before the due date, and the loan record will be updated on the next working day).

Details can be obtained from notices posted at all public libraries and the library website at www.hkpl.gov.hk/en/library-notices/library-notices-list.html. For enquiries, please call 2921 0208.