



Homework Policy

Our Educational Philosophy

We believe that:

- learning is questioning, exploring, understanding and sharing
- learning is a challenging and enjoyable lifelong process
- teaching should stimulate, encourage and excite the students
- students benefit from a safe environment in which they can stretch, experiment and discover their potential

We reflect consistently on how we educate and learn so that we facilitate and inspire engaged learners and citizens and so that we foster an atmosphere of respect, understanding, and encouragement between all who teach, work and learn in the College.

The Purpose of Homework

We aim to give each student the desire and skills to become an eager and engaged self-directed learner. Alexandra College offers a broad and academically excellent curriculum that challenges students to develop and realise their potential. Home learning is an important element of the process of becoming a self-directed learner and is an integral part of a student's education. It is essential that students create frequent and regular opportunities to develop and strengthen their competence as independent learners.

1. Homework is set, directed and assessed by the class teacher. Students are expected to be fully prepared for their classes each day. This will require careful study at home or in evening study to ensure that written assignments, projects, research, reflection, reading, problem-solving and memory work set in class are completed thoroughly. It will also require students to ensure that the materials required for each class are prepared and ready.
2. Home learning should also include due time for study, review and consolidation of what has been covered that day and preparation for the following lesson.
3. After School Study for all students is available on Monday to Thursday from 4:15 pm – 5:45 pm and from 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm and Friday from 2:15 pm – 3:45 pm and from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm. Weekend Study is also available, provided there is sufficient demand. There is a charge for all after school and weekend study.
4. As a general rule, the following recommended hours should be adhered to on at least five evenings a week:
 - a. 5th and 6th Year: 2.5 – 3.5 hours
 - b. 2nd and 3rd Year: 2 – 2.5 hours
 - c. 1st Year: 1.5 hours – 2 hours
5. Each student should have the College journal, which includes the Homework notebook, and have it in her possession throughout the school day. The use of the journal will assist students with organising their time, and with ensuring all prescribed homework tasks are completed.

6. When homework has not been completed, teachers will follow the College's agreed procedure for dealing with students who fail to make an honest effort to complete their work, as outlined in the College's Code of Behaviour.

This Homework Policy was adopted by the Board of Management on 20 March 2025.