



## Wollondilly Anglican College

### Homework Policy 2026

Homework is used to help students establish patterns of self-disciplined work. It provides valuable practice and enables students to prepare for future learning.

Reading, vocabulary/spelling and mathematical skills required for all subject areas benefit from regular, short practice (drills). This helps to consolidate learning into long-term memory.

Reading novels or other materials supports effective use of class time for direct teaching to occur.

Incomplete homework will have consequences for students. Notes will be made in the diary to alert parents.

Teachers understand that at times, students may not be able to complete homework. A note in the diary is appreciated.

**Some students enjoy homework so much that they want more. These students can participate in optional activities. Please contact the class teacher regarding this.**

**Parents (or the student in older years) should notify the teacher if they have had any difficulties with the set homework. This also includes instances where the homework is taking significantly longer than the stated time.**

The following are the expectations for Homework at WAC. The goal of this policy is to provide **consistency** across the College regarding homework.

All students are expected to do homework. K-4 students will receive information from teachers regarding when homework is due. Years 5-12 students will record homework in their diaries.

The estimated time students should be spending **per day** on homework is:

- Kinder: 10 minutes
- Stage 1: 10 minutes
- Stage 2: 15-20 minutes
- Stage 3: 20-30 minutes
- Stage 4: 60 minutes
- Stage 5: 90 minutes
- Stage 6: 2 hours plus

Time spent working on Assessment Tasks is not the same as Homework

Reading time is extra above this.

Stage 2 and 3 students also have musical instruments to practice with. We would ask that parents encourage their children to do so.

### **What will Homework consist of?**

Homework will vary according to the year group; however, in Years K-6, it will typically include spelling, maths, and reading.

- Kindergarten: Phonics, Vocabulary, Maths and Home Readers
- Stage 1: Phonics, Vocabulary, Maths and Home Readers
- Stage 2: Spelling, Vocabulary, Maths and Set Novel/Reading
- Stage 3: Spelling, Vocabulary, Maths and Set Novel/Reading
- Stage 4: Vocabulary, literacy content per subject, set novel/reading, Mathematics  
*\*Homework booklets – see below for example*
- Stage 5: Vocabulary, Literacy content per subject, set novel/reading, Maths, self-directed revision of content, summarised notes, flash cards
- Stage 6: As directed by the teacher, self-directed revision of content through the use of past papers, summarised notes, flash cards.

### *\*Example for Stage 4 Homework booklets: Year 7*

- **English** has several (3-4) short-answer questions related to vocabulary, the novel / correcting punctuation in sentences that follow a pattern of question-style and response. (30 minutes across the week)
- **Mathematics** 3-4 drill style pages and 5 additional longer response questions (as extension) across the week. (30 minutes across the week)
- **Science & HSIE** have a booklet that has 2-3 short-answer content and vocabulary-related questions for the week. (15 minutes per week)
- **All other subjects** have a booklet that has 1-2 short-answer content and vocabulary-related questions for the week. (10 minutes per week)

Online, Atomi, Stile etc. extension work or used as part of independent practice in lessons.