

St John Bosco College Homework Policy

Homework in St John Bosco College is teacher-led structured revision.

It is widely recognised that working at home makes an important contribution to student progress. The focus of homework is to help students embed knowledge, revise work and learning from class, read around subject knowledge and develop independent study skills.

Students have regular tests (every 2 weeks or 3 weeks depending on subject needs) across KS3 and 4. The dates and topics for these, as well as clearly defined revision materials, are posted for students and parents on line via the Show My Homework Platform. Students need to revise regularly for these tests following the structured revision timetables below. Maths will also set additional practice homework for Years 7 – 11 via the My Maths app. Science will set additional homework via the Tassomai learning platform for Years 9 -11.

Additional supplementary written or research homework may be set by teachers to develop particular strands of knowledge as required.

Additionally, each child should read for at least 30 minutes a day. In Year 7 and 8 all students must take a test on *Accelerated Reader* to make sure that they were reading it properly and that it was the right level for them.

Revision timetables *please note that these constitute the minimum requirements of regular homework and are not only for pre-exam periods. Students should revise regularly for all subjects throughout the year to build up knowledge in a systematic and developmental way.*

Year 7 - 8 revision timetable

Students should study each subject with a 5 minute break in between. Encourage your child to demonstrate their learning through the use of flash cards, mind maps, notes pages or self-made revision presentations.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
30 mins	English	Maths	Science	Religion	History	English
30 mins	Maths	Science	Religion	Geography	English	Maths
30 mins	Science	Religion	Maths	English	Music	Science
30 mins	DT	English	English	Art	MFL	MFL
30 mins						Religion
30 mins						History
30 mins						Geography
30 mins						Art

Year 9 revision timetable

Students should study each subject with a 5 minute break in between. Encourage your child to demonstrate their learning through the use of flash cards, mind maps, notes pages or self-made revision presentations.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
30 mins	English	Maths	Science	Religion	History	English
30 mins	Maths	Science	Religion	Geography	English	Maths
30 mins	Science	Religion	Maths	English	Music	Science
30 mins	DT	English	English	Art	Science	MFL
30 mins	MFL	MFL	MFL	Maths	Religion	Religion
30 mins						History
30 mins						Geography
30 mins						Art

Year 10 - 11 revision timetable

Students should study each subject with a 5 minute break in between. Encourage your child to demonstrate their learning through the use of flash cards, mind maps, notes pages or self-made revision presentations.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Weekend
40 mins	English	Maths	Science	Religion	Option 1	English
40 mins	Maths	Science	Religion	Option 2	English	Maths
40 mins	Science	Religion	Maths	English	Option 3	Science
40 mins	Option 1	English	English	Option 3	Option 2	Option 1
40 mins	PE	Option 3	Option 2	Option 1	PE	Religion
40 mins						Option 2
40 mins						Option 3

Year 12 and 13

In addition to study at school, we recommend all students revise 20 hours per week for their studies, which works out to at least 1 hour per subject each day. The content/style of this work is varied according to the requirements of the specific subjects and courses each student follow

The role of parents and carers

Parents are asked to ensure that a suitable place is available at home for pupils to work quietly and effectively. An appropriate learning environment (table, straight chair, away from distractions such as computer, phone or television, and good lighting is important in supporting study. Parents are encouraged to show an active interest in the work of their son/daughter and talk through their learning and quiz them on their revision regularly.