



WINDERMERE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

A NORD ANGLIA EDUCATION SCHOOL

Homework at Windermere Preparatory School

While Homework is the student's responsibility, we believe that learning is a shared responsibility between children, parents and teachers. We ask the parents to be engaged in their children's education and encourage the students to always do their best. We expect our students to come to class prepared and encourage them to ask questions and gain assistance from the teacher when they do not understand. We work together with parents, enhancing the curriculum, and providing necessary support and encouragement for student success.

Why do we assign homework?

Homework is used for multiple purposes including but not limited to reinforcing and consolidating learning activities, which have recently taken place in the classroom as well as extending student learning to their wider environment.

How will homework develop my child?

Teachers assign purposeful homework in the different curriculum areas and this will usually involve key life skills such as:

- Time management and independent work habits, perseverance, and self-discipline
- Application of recently learned skills and knowledge to novel situations
- Preparation for a known goal or objective
- Structured practice to both review and develop new skills

Students may also be asked to undertake extended research work or special project assignments to link to their current area of study. Students can therefore consolidate skills learned in school and further develop new skills at home.

How can I help my child at home?

We encourage parents to be engaged with their children's homework and ask them questions about what they have learned. Parents are encouraged to attend various evening divisional events hosted by Windermere Preparatory School Administrators and attend Parent Teacher Conferences. You are also welcome to reach out to teachers and the counselor to find out how you can best support learning at home.

How much homework can my child typically expect?

Pre-K3 and Pre-K4	Homework is assigned as a family for special assignments
Kindergarten	Approximately 15 - 20 minutes per school night
Grades 1 - 2	Approximately 25 - 35 minutes per school night: 20 minutes reading and 15 minutes of Language Arts, Spelling and Math. Science and Social Studies are occasionally assigned.
Grades 3 - 5	Approximately 35 - 45 minutes per school night: 30 minutes Reading and 15 minutes of Language Arts, Math, Science and Social Studies each week. Possible project work may be assigned in Fine Arts electives.
Grades 6 - 8	Approximately 60 minutes each day. Middle School students are asked to continuously plan for long-term projects, reviewing lessons, and prepping for upcoming assessments. Additionally, making refinements to their digital portfolio is ongoing homework, coupled with leisure reading.
Grades 9 and 10	Minimum 60 minutes weekly per subject per week
Grades 11 and 12	Minimum 120 minutes weekly per subject per week

Note: The above times are estimates. Time needed to complete homework may vary by individual student.