



**POLICY (Number: Av)
GENERAL POLICY**

1. School Service

Somerset House offers co-educational tuition to children from Grade 000 to Grade 7

2. Language of Learning and Teaching

Somerset House is an English medium school meaning that the language of learning and teaching (LOLT) is English. The school has always used English as the medium of instruction since it was founded in 1948.

3. Additional Languages

- Afrikaans is taught as a first additional language (FAL).
- Xhosa is taught at a non-examinable conversational level.

4. Terms

Somerset House bases its term planning on the state calendar as the majority of our children transfer into the state system. It has always been a 4-Term school.

5. Hours

The school day begins at 08h00 for all children. The day ends at different times according to grade:

- Grade 1 and 2 finish at 13h40
- Grade 3 finish at 14h00
- Grade 4 to 7 finish at 14h30

6. Offering

The following subjects are offered at Somerset House:

- English
- Afrikaans
- Xhosa
- Mathematics
- Social Science
- Natural Science
- Economic management Sciences
- Information and Communication Technology
- Physical Education
- Music (class and individual)
- Art
- Drama
- Library
- Life Orientation
- Thinking Skills

The above subjects are not all offered in all grades.