

Advertising Feature

**COLOMA SIXTH FORM** *Education 2016*



**Outstanding:**  
Coloma students  
have unrivalled  
opportunities

**THE COLOMA  
DIFFERENCE**

- Coloma Sixth Form in Croydon has an intake of 150 girls each year to Year 12.
- Although it is the sixth form of the Coloma Convent Girls' School, a voluntary-aided Catholic comprehensive school, those from all faith backgrounds are welcomed.
- It offers 30 different A-Level subjects with girls studying four AS's in Year 12 and usually continuing with three A Levels in Year 13.
- Coloma has an outstanding provision of extra-curricular activities, including sports, art, music and much more.
- Coloma is situated in beautiful grounds a short 466 bus ride from East Croydon railway, bus and Tramlink station.
- Coloma Sixth Form is holding an Open Evening on Tuesday October 11 from 7pm to 9pm. On Saturday October 15 from 10am to 12 noon there will be an Open Morning for Year 7 and for post-16s. Find out more at [coloma.croydon.sch.uk](http://coloma.croydon.sch.uk)

**AN OUTSTANDING  
SIXTH FORM FOR GIRLS**

A wide choice of A Levels and extra-curricular activities is available at Coloma Sixth Form in south London

**F**OR those who haven't been through the process of choosing a sixth form before, there are few things you might not realise.

The first is that many schools have a limited choice of A Levels. The second is that the larger sixth-form schools and colleges that offer a wider choice usually time table subjects into blocks. If your child's choices clash, then you could find they cannot study all of the A Levels they want.

Then there is the fact that your child may be left to flounder in a large, impersonal college or sixth form, without the support that they benefitted from at school.

Well, if you have a daughter and live within commuting distance of Croydon, you can avoid all of these issues – girls at the outstanding Coloma Sixth Form not only benefit from a wide choice of A Level courses, they succeed in a happy and positive learning environment, which offers unrivalled opportunities to develop as an individual.

We offer 30 different A Levels, from German and Psychology to Music, Computing, Physics

and Economics, and we do not block subjects like other sixth forms,' says Head Mrs Maureen Martin, who has been awarded an OBE for Services to Education.

'Our pupils tell us what they want to study and we try to accommodate their wishes.' All students may also undertake an EPQ.

The quality of teaching at A Level is also vitally important to parents and at Coloma Sixth Form pupils consistently achieve great results, with the vast majority going on to

university, including 40 per cent to top Russell Group institutions and an impressive number to Oxbridge.

However, sixth form has to be more than just about academic results and

this is where Coloma Sixth Form really stands out. Pupils are encouraged to get involved in charity work, such as with a primary school in Mbarara, Uganda, run by the same congregation of religious sisters who have been running Coloma since 1869, and an annual fund-raising week led by Year 13 students.

Then there is the outstanding music offering. More than 500 girls sing in the school's various choirs (in November Coloma will be performing

twice at the Royal Albert Hall) and the school holds 40 concerts throughout the year. Unusually for a girls' school, Coloma also offers the Combined Cadet Force (CCF) as an extra-curricular activity as well as the Duke Of Edinburgh Awards among over 60 different clubs, which give pupils those all-important transferable skills such as teamwork, commitment, resilience and an ability to communicate.

Unlike many other sixth forms, Coloma is strong on sports, with everyone in Year 12 doing PE. The school has been recognised as the top girls' comprehensive school for sport in the country, with girls successfully participating in 23 competitive sports.

Trips and tours are numerous. During this summer, as well as an MFL (modern foreign languages) trip to Berlin there has been a netball tour to South Africa, and next summer girls will go on a music tour to New York.

Girls also benefit from impressive careers advice, with former students from a wide variety of professions including medicine, accountancy, engineering and law regularly returning to inspire the next generation by giving them the support, knowledge and confidence to take the next step successfully.

■ [coloma.croydon.sch.uk/6th-form](http://coloma.croydon.sch.uk/6th-form)





## Coloma Convent Girls' School

One of the UK's top comprehensive schools for girls aged 11-18 years



"Outstanding" status with 147 years reputation for excellence

Open event for entry at 16+ (Year 12):-  
**Tuesday 11th October, 7-9 pm**

Open event for entry at either 11+ (Year 7) or 16+ (Year 12):-  
**Saturday 15th October, 10-12 noon**

For further information:-  
**[www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk](http://www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk)**

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