

Seniors Admissions Guide

2023 - 2024



Croydon High School

for girls aged 3-18

GDST
GIRLS' DAY SCHOOL TRUST



Fees for September 2022 entry

Fees for September 2023 entry will be published in April 2023

Senior School

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| Years 7 - 9 | £6,008 per term |
| Years 10 - Upper Sixth | £6,231 per term |

The fees cover the regular curriculum, school books, stationery and other materials, choral music, games and swimming, careers guidance and public examination fees, but not optional extra subjects or school meals. School Lunch is currently charged for separately and is compulsory for girls up to Year 10.

Whenever possible, a term's notice will be given of the intention to increase the fees for tuition or extra subjects. However, if circumstances arise in which costs (e.g. substantial increases in teachers' salaries) have to be recouped immediately, the Council of the Trust may be forced to increase fees at less than a term's notice.

Payment of Fees

Fees must be paid by the Bank Direct Debit system and the necessary form can be provided either by the school or from the Trust Head Office. The fees may be paid either termly in advance or by monthly instalments (4 per term).

Registration Fee

A fee of £100 is charged which is not refundable.

Deposit

A deposit of £750 is chargeable on the acceptance of a place and will be held until the end of the pupil's final term in the school. It will not be refunded if the place is not taken up by the pupil.

Fees For Optional Extra Subjects

(Charged by visiting teachers)

Fees are Per Term:

Music

£232 for 10 half hour lessons

Speech & Drama Group lessons

Senior Department lessons

£145 (Yr 7- Yr 9)

£145 (Yr 10-Yr 11)

£145 (Sixth Form)

Total number of lessons per year: 30

Accounts for extra subjects will be sent direct by the teachers concerned, and should be settled with those teachers before the start of each term.

Admissions

Applying to Croydon High School

Applications to the school can be made on-line via our website at:

<https://application.gdst.net/school/croydon-high-school>

On receipt of an application form we will contact your daughter's present Head Teacher for a report on her progress. It is important that her present school has been informed of the application.

We request that a non-refundable registration fee is paid by credit or debit card on submission of the application form. If you are unable to make the payment in this way, please contact us before completing the form.

Parents or Guardians should inform the school, at the time of their application, of any specific learning difficulty. If relevant, an Educational Psychologist's Report can be uploaded with the application form.

Entrance to the Senior School

Year 7: We will hold Entrance tests on Saturday 3 December 2022 for entry in the following September.

Details of the test arrangements will be made available following application. Applications must be received by 7 November 2022.

Year 9: We will hold Entrance tests on Wednesday 8 February 2023 for Applicants for Year 9 entry. Applicants will be tested in Maths, English, Non-Verbal Reasoning and Verbal Reasoning.

Vacancies other than at Year 7, 9 or Sixth Form

Applicants for such places will be tested and interviewed by a member of the Senior Leadership Team.

Scholarships and Bursaries:

Deadline for application is 7 November 2022

Academic Scholarships for Year 7 Entry: Will be awarded on the basis of performance in the Entrance test on Saturday 3 December 2022. Roles and Responsibilities pertaining to this award and further details will be available on application.

Academic Plus Scholarships for Year 9 Entry: Will be awarded to applicants from external schools who apply for academic scholarship + assessment in: Art & Design, Music, Drama or Sport.

Music, Art & Design, Drama and Sports scholarships for Year 7: For entry in September 2023, the selection process will take place in November/December 2022. Information and entry forms will be available from Summer 2022.

Exhibition Awards

The Headmistress may choose to make an Exhibition Award to high performing candidates who are not recipients of a performance scholarship in Art, Music, Drama or Sport. The Exhibition Award is a single one off payment in the first year of study, and is intended to recognise significant talent and ability, as scholarships awards are necessarily limited. Recipients of an Exhibition Award are treated as scholars and enjoy the full range of opportunities available on the individual subject's Scholars' Programme.

GDST Bursaries

We are also able to offer a limited number of bursaries, which also take into account academic ability but, crucially, these are means tested.

The GDST will require full evidence of the household income and assets of the families applying for a bursary for their daughters to ensure that we can offer a GDST education to the most able girls, including those who are not in a position to pay full fees.

Bursaries are calculated as a percentage remission on the full-fee amount, ranging from 30-100% of the fee and their value is directly related to the income and financial resources of the pupil's family.

For example, full bursaries (100%) are usually awarded to families with a total income of less than £40,000 per year and with no capital assets other than their home.

Once admitted, bursary holders are not identifiable within the school environment. The School is committed to ensuring those pupils on a bursary can participate fully in school life. Taking in to account family circumstances and the value of the bursary itself, support is available for compulsory school trips and school lunches.

The School may also support families with a grant towards the initial costs of purchasing the school uniform, for example.

Academic performance will be a key consideration when the school is deciding to offer a bursary. The online Bursary forms will be available to be completed once the application has been received by the Admissions Registrar. The deadline for bursary applications is 7 November 2022.

Post-entry bursaries may be awarded to girls whose families suffer unexpected financial difficulties, and are no longer able to pay the fees in full.

Year 7 Entrance Test – A unique approach to testing

The aim of our Entrance Test process for Year 7 is to find out how girls think and learn, rather than what they know. We want to find out what they could achieve at Croydon High, rather than what they have already achieved.

The whole process is intended to enable girls to feel comfortable, to reduce pressure and to give them a platform where they can shine. Girls will be tested using an adaptive online test, completed on the day. Adaptive means it responds to their answers and gets harder each time they get a question right so each experience is personalised and unique.

This test is designed to assess ability in skills such as numeracy, problem solving and vocabulary. There is no special preparation required and no practice papers are available. In addition, we will be carrying out a teaching activity after which the girls will be asked to complete a written task based on the content taught in the session.

There is no formal interview, but girls will take part in a discussion activity in a small group, led by a senior teacher, where there will be an opportunity for them to engage one-to-one.

We believe that this method of testing assesses natural rather than rehearsed ability in key skills and enables us to analyse the potential of each girl as opposed to the amount of preparation and revision undertaken. In short, rather than assess what our applicants know and how well they have been trained, we are much more interested in finding out how they think and how they respond to engaging teaching.

All girls are automatically considered for academic scholarships, which are awarded to the girls who perform best in the Entrance Examination. There are also Drama, Music, Sports and Art and Design scholarships for which separate applications must be made by 7 November 2022.

We take the time to consider every application very carefully and also carry out scholarship assessments before Christmas. Offers of places will be made in writing by the end of January.



GCSE *Examination Results 2021*

Year 11 IGCSE & GCSE Results

67 candidates took 677 GCSE/IGCSE subjects. The grade 9 to 8 / A[^] / A* pass rate was 68%, the grade 9 to 7 / A[^] pass rate was 86% and the 9 to 6 A* to B pass rate was 94%. 98% of grades were at 9 to 5 A* to C. Results correct as of September 2021.

| Subject | Entry | 9/A [^] | 8/A* | 7/A | 6/B | 5/C | 4 | 3 | 2/1 | %9 to 7 A* to A | %9 to 5 A* to C |
|------------------------------|------------|------------------|------------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Art GCSE | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| Biology IGCSE | 62 | 29 | 20 | 8 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 92 | 100 |
| Chemistry IGCSE | 62 | 26 | 13 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 82 | 100 |
| Classical Civilisation | 10 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 70 | 90 |
| Computer Science IGCSE | 21 | 3 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 57 | 90 |
| 3D Design GCSE | 12 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 100 |
| Drama GCSE | 16 | 8 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 87 | 100 |
| English Language IGCSE | 67 | 14 | 22 | 21 | 8 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 85 | 99 |
| English Literature IGCSE | 66 | 28 | 20 | 15 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 96 | 100 |
| French IGCSE | 12 | 2 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 67 | 83 |
| Geography GCSE | 19 | 9 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| German IGCSE | 24 | 12 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 96 | 100 |
| History IGCSE | 46 | 31 | 7 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 92 | 98 |
| Latin GCSE | 9 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| Mathematics IGCSE | 67 | 22 | 17 | 9 | 11 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 71 | 100 |
| Further Maths IG Certificate | 30 | 6 | 13 | 8 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 90 | 100 |
| Music GCSE | 16 | 10 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| Physical Education GCSE | 9 | 6 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 |
| Physics IGCSE | 62 | 27 | 13 | 12 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 88 | 100 |
| Religious Studies GCSE | 30 | 23 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 97 | 100 |
| Spanish IGCSE | 28 | 4 | 11 | 9 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86 | 100 |
| Totals | 677 | 281 | 188 | 119 | 57 | 31 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 86 | 98 |

A Level Examination Results 2021

Year 13 Advanced Level Results

35 candidates made 107 entries at A Level. The pass rate was 100%, with 83% at grades A* or A, 96% at grades A* to B and 100% at grades A* to C.

22 of these candidates also completed the Extended Project Qualification and 86% were awarded A* or A grades. Results correct as of September 2021.

| Subject | Entry | A* | A | B | C | D | E | % A*/A | % A* to B | % A* to C |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Art | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Biology | 6 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 83 | 100 |
| Business | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Chemistry | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 63 | 100 | 100 |
| Classical Civilisation | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Computer Science | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 100 | 100 |
| Drama | 7 | 6 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86 | 100 | 100 |
| Economics | 7 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 86 | 100 | 100 |
| English Language | 5 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| English Literature | 6 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 100 | 100 |
| French | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Further Maths | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Geography | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 67 | 100 |
| German | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| History | 10 | 7 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Mathematics | 15 | 7 | 5 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 80 | 93 | 100 |
| Music | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| PE | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Physics | 6 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 67 | 67 | 100 |
| Politics | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Psychology | 7 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 57 | 100 | 100 |
| Religious Studies | 6 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 100 | 100 |
| Spanish | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 100 | 100 | 100 |
| Totals | 107 | 56 | 33 | 13 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 83 | 96 | 100 |

Class of 2021 *Destinations*

| Course of Study | University |
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| Accounting and Finance | University of Leicester |
| Applied Medical Sciences | UCL (University College London) |
| Arabic and Spanish | The University of Edinburgh |
| Biochemistry | University of East Anglia UEA |
| Chemistry with Molecular Physics | Imperial College London |
| Combined Honours in Social Sciences | Durham University |
| Computer Science | University of York |
| Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence with Placement Year | University of Bath |
| Culture, Media & Creative Industries | King's College London, University of London |
| Design Engineering | Imperial College London |
| Economics | University of Bath |
| Economics | University of Bath |
| English and Philosophy | University of Nottingham |
| English Language and Linguistics | King's College London, University of London |
| Foundation Certificate in Acting | Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts |
| Geography | University of Nottingham |
| German and History | University of Warwick |
| History | University of Warwick |
| History | University of Bristol |
| History of Art | University of York |
| Human Sciences | UCL (University College London) |
| Law | UCL (University College London) |
| Law | Queen Mary University of London |
| Marketing Management BSc with Placement | Brunel University London |
| Mathematics, Statistics, and Business | London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London |
| Medicinal Chemistry with a Year in Industry | University of Leeds |
| Neuroscience with Psychology | University of Aberdeen |
| Pharmacy | UCL (University College London) |
| Politics and Law | SOAS University of London |
| Politics, Philosophy and Law (PPL) | University of Warwick |
| Psychology | UCL (University College London) |
| Psychology | University of Nottingham |
| Psychology | King's College London, University of London |
| Psychology (wth placement) | University of Bath |
| Psychology with Clinical Approaches | University of Sussex |
| Psychology with Placement | Brunel University London |
| Theatre and Performance Studies | University of Warwick |
| Virology & Immunology | University of Bristol |

Transport

Currently we offer return routes from the following areas:

Banstead via Coulsdon • Wallington via Purley • Shirley Oaks • Beckenham • Bromley • Norbury • Oxted and Caterham

Following the COVID-19 emergency, all our services have been reviewed to ensure they are COVID secure – more details of the guidance we follow as well of full details of current routes and fares can be found at www.croydonhigh.vectare.co.uk





KEY ADMISSIONS DATES FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 ENTRY

SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 29 June 2022

SENIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNING FOR SEPTEMBER 2023 ENTRY

Saturday 8 October 09:00-12:30

JUNIOR SCHOOL OPEN MORNING

Saturday 8 October 09:00-12:30

DEADLINE FOR YEAR 7 MAIN APPLICATION FORM

7 November 2022

DEADLINE FOR YEAR 7 BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

7 November 2022

YEAR 7 ART & DESIGN, DRAMA, MUSIC AND SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications shortlisted and successful candidates attend assessments, w/c 28 November 2022

SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

Thursday 13 October 2022, 19.00pm

**CLOSING DATE FOR ALL SIXTH FORM APPLICATIONS
INCLUDING BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP**

31 October 2022

**SIXTH FORM ENTRANCE TEST
(FOR BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS ONLY)**

Saturday 12 November 2022, 13.30pm-17.00pm

YEAR 7 ENTRANCE TEST DAY

Saturday 3 December 2022

Individual times to be advised

SIXTH FORM BURSARY AND SCHOLARSHIP OFFER LETTERS ISSUED

Mid December 2023

YEAR 7 2023 OFFER LETTERS ISSUED END OF JANUARY

YEAR 9 ENTRANCE TEST DAY

Wednesday 8 February 2023

Please Note: The above dates may be subject to change

