

Jalaliah Educational Institution

Wellington Road, Tipton, West Midlands, DY4 8RS

Inspection dates

10 May 2013

Reason for inspection

- This unannounced inspection took place at the request of the Department for Education (DfE). Concerns had been raised about the school's safeguarding arrangements and welfare, health and safety in general.
- The school's admission arrangements were checked to confirm that all students were day students and that there were no unregistered boarding facilities.

Conclusions

Students' admissions and home locations

- The students live at home with their parents and the school's admission register clearly records all home addresses. However, the register fails to record some students' date of admission and there is no reference at all to the last school attended. It does not record the students in alphabetical order as well as numerical order by admission.
- Some students arrive at school independently while others are transported by staff in the school's minibus. They come from areas such as Walsall, Tipton, West Bromwich and locations within Birmingham.

Welfare, health and safety

- The school's welfare, health and safety procedures were examined. The accommodation on the first floor of the mosque is unable to cope with 100 students, should there be plans for this number to be admitted. It could, by changing the use of some rooms and asking students to eat in the Muslim tradition, sitting on the floor, create more space but could not take more than 25 more students in total. The proprietor recognises that the restrictions to the accommodation makes expansion problematic and is seeking alternative premises. The school should, therefore, only be registered for 25 students.
- The school's child protection is insufficiently detailed and limited in scope. It fails to identify the designated person and the specific procedures to follow if a disclosure is made. There is no reference to the training required by staff and the designated person has not received training. Most staff have had training at a basic level but a few staff have not. There are no arrangements for child protection training as part of the induction of new staff/volunteers.
- The proprietor undertakes criminal records checks on all staff. There are clear

procedures for the appointment of staff, which include the completion of an application form, recording employment history and identifying two referees. However, the proprietor does not follow employment procedures for all staff and for some there are no recruitment documents. Occasionally, there may be one reference, rather than two as required. The proprietor explained that if someone is appointed on the basis of positive information passed from a trustworthy source, then appointment documentation is not always completed.

- The single central register is poorly completed. There are many gaps in information and the proprietor could not provide a full copy during the inspection.
- While most fire prevention procedures and checks are in place, the school's smoke detection system is domestic in nature and one device had low battery power. There is no hard wired, permanent system in place as required.
- The school's accommodation is well maintained and clean. It is separate from the mosque and accessed through a secured door. However, boys share toilets with staff. Physical education is undertaken nearby in a park. There is just one shower and no changing facilities for the 17 students on roll. The shower is located in a suitable medical room in the mosque (where there is a toilet and washbasin). There is no drinking water available in the school, apart from in the toilets. This is not clearly labelled, as required.
- There are gaps in the required information for parents. The school's prospectus is the main source of information for parents. It does not list the name of the headteacher or the address where contact can be made with governors. There is no information on the educational and welfare provision for students with statements of special educational needs or for students for whom English is an additional language. There is no summary of the numbers or qualifications of staff, no details of the school's complaints procedure for parents or any mention of the number of complaints in the previous year. The school has a procedure for students to complain but none for parents.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

The school requires improvement and must take action to meet The Education (Independent School Standards) (England) Regulations 2010 ('the Regulations'), and associated requirements

- make arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of students at the school paragraph 7
- ensure compliance with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005 paragraph 13
- ensure that the admission register is maintained in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006 paragraph 17
- ensure that for each member of staff appointed on or after 1 May 2007, the register of staff checks shows that the following checks were made, including the date on which each check was completed or the certificate obtained: paragraph 22(3)

- the person's identity
 - the person is not barred from working with children
 - of relevant qualifications, if appropriate
 - whether an enhanced criminal records certificate was obtained
 - in the case of any person for whom, by reason of living or having lived outside the United Kingdom, the further checks made which have regard to any guidance issued by the Secretary of State
 - of their right to work in the United Kingdom
- in relation to each member of a body of persons named as the proprietor appointed on or after 1 May 2007, ensure the single central register shows whether the checks referred to in 21(6)(b) are made, the date they were made and the date on which the resulting certificate was obtained paragraph 22(6)
 - provide suitable toilet and washing facilities for the sole use of students paragraph 23A(1)(a)
 - ensure that suitable changing accommodation and showers are provided for students aged 11 years or over at the start of the school year who receive physical education paragraph 23A(1)(c)
 - ensure that the proprietor provides suitable drinking water facilities and that these are readily accessible at all times when the premises are in use and are in a separate area from toilet facilities paragraph 23F(1)(a)
 - ensure that the proprietor provides that cold water supplies that are suitable for drinking and are clearly marked as such paragraph 23F(1)(c)
 - ensure that the proprietor provides information to parents of students and parents of prospective students about the name of the headteacher and the address at which governors can be contacted paragraph 24(1)(a)
 - ensure the proprietor provides the following information been made available to parents of students, parents of prospective students Paragraph 24(1)(b)
 - particulars of educational and welfare provision for students with statements of special educational needs and for students for whom English is an additional language
 - details of the complaints procedure adopted by the school, together with details of the number of complaints registered under the formal procedure during the preceding school year
 - the number of staff employed at the school, including temporary staff, and a summary of their qualifications
 - provide a written complaints procedure which complies with paragraphs 25(1)(a) to 25(1)(k). paragraphs 25(1)(a) to 25(1)(k)

Inspection team

George Derby, Lead inspector

Additional Inspector

Information about this school

- Jalaliah Educational Institution is a Muslim secondary school for up to 100 boys aged 11 to 16 years. The school was established by Al-Islah Community Trust on the basis of demand from the local Muslim community. The school operates an admission policy of selection by ability.
- It is located in a relatively newly built mosque in a residential area of Tipton near Birmingham.
- The school provides both an Islamic and an academic education. The school aims state that students will be able to 'develop their academic talents as well as faith in Allah within a caring, family atmosphere'.
- Currently, there are 17 students on roll who are in Years 7, 8 and 9. The great majority of students speak English as an additional language. There are no students with a statement of special educational needs.

School details

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Type of school	Other independent school
School status	Independent School
Age range of pupils	11 to 16 years
Gender of pupils	Boys
Number of pupils on the school roll	17
Number of part time pupils	0
Proprietor	Al-Islah Community Trust
Headteacher	Mr Moulana MD Rofique Ahmed
Date of previous school inspection	11–12 February 2010
Annual fees (day pupils)	£1,200
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