

Land of Learning Primary School

5-11 Evington Drive, Leicester, LE5 5PF

Inspection dates

6 May 2014

Context of the inspection

When the school was inspected in October 2013, a small number of the independent school regulations were not met. The school drew up an action plan to address these shortcomings, and this was approved by Ofsted on 18 December 2013. This progress monitoring inspection visit was made at the request of the Department for Education to check the school's progress in implementing its action plan.

Summary of the progress made in implementing the action plan

Good progress

The inspection of October 2013 found that the school did not undertake and record the required weekly tests of the fire alarm system. In its action plan, the school indicated that it would nominate and train named staff to undertake and record weekly tests of the fire alarm system, using a different call point on each occasion. The action plan also provided for these arrangements to be monitored by the headteacher and reported to the school management committee. The action plan has been successfully implemented; procedures are well established and the records are complete.

The inspection found that the school failed to record all the required information about pupils on its admission register. The school proposed in its action plan to draw up a spreadsheet, showing all the required information about pupils, as a temporary measure pending the purchase and installation of a computer-based school information management system. The school has successfully implemented its action plan; the spreadsheet meets requirements and the information system has been purchased. It is due to be commissioned at the end of May 2014 when the information on the current spreadsheet will be transferred to the new system.

At the time of the inspection in October 2013, the names of the members of the school management committee (the proprietorial body) and details of the checks made on them were not included on the school's single central register of checks on the suitability of staff. The school's action plan proposals to address this shortfall have been implemented and the requirement is now met.

The inspection also found that separate toilets were not provided for pupils aged eight years and over; that pupils did not have access to drinking water other than in the toilets and that the sources of drinking water were not labelled, as required. The school has successfully addressed all of these failings, as proposed in its action plan. There are now separate toilets for boys and girls aged eight years and over and these are clearly signed. The school has provided water coolers on each floor, and these are correctly labelled. Pupils are fully conversant with the new arrangements.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

The school has made good progress and now meets all regulatory requirements.

Inspection team

Michael Best, Lead inspector

Additional Inspector

Information about this school

- Land of Learning Primary is a Muslim school located in Evington area of Leicester. It is owned and run by the Evington Muslim Centre. A school committee, consisting of members of the trustees of the centre, governs the school.
- The school opened in 2009 with a Reception class group and moved into newly-built premises in the grounds of the mosque in 2012. There are three floors. The ground floor is used for the separately registered Nursery. The first and second floors are used for the school. The school accommodation is used at the end of every school day as a madrassa and also for meetings in the evenings and at weekends.
- The school is increasing its pupil numbers each year; it now has Reception to Year 5 pupils and next September will have its first cohort of Year 6 pupils. There are 107 pupils on roll. These are of Asian, Arab or African heritage and most speak English as an additional language.
- The school is registered to admit up to 300 primary age boys and girls. There no pupils with disabilities or who have special educational needs. A new headteacher was appointed in September 2013; she had been the school's educational coordinator since 2010. The previous headteacher is now the headteacher of the registered Nursery only. She still has a role in the school and oversees pupils' welfare, health and safety.
- Land of Learning Primary School aims to create a happy, safe and secure environment where each child is given the opportunity to learn and live with others. It also seeks to provide firm foundations for children to build on and further develop their knowledge and wellbeing.

School details

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Type of school	Muslim school
School status	Independent school
Age range of pupils	4–11
Gender of pupils	Mixed
Number of pupils on the school roll	107
Number of part time pupils	0
Proprietor	Evington Muslim Centre
Chair	Ibrahim Ahmed Fulat
Headteacher	Sara Vania
Date of previous school inspection	1 October 2013
Annual fees (day pupils)	£1,500
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