

Bahr Academy

72 Sceptre Street, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Tyne and Wear NE4 6PR.

Inspection date 9 December 2015

Overall outcome Independent school standards met

Context of the inspection

- At the standard inspection of 13–15 January 2015, the academy was judged to require improvement.
- Two of the independent school standards were not met: Standard 1 relating to the quality of education, and Standard 8, leadership and management.
- The academy's action plan of April 2015 was found to be insufficiently detailed to show how leaders would effectively remedy the weaknesses, and it was unclear whether the standards regarding pupils' progress were likely to be met. As a result, the action plan was judged to be inadequate. A progress monitoring inspection was recommended to evaluate the academy's progress in implementing its revised action plan.

Main findings

Quality of education

- Since the previous inspection, the leaders and managers of the academy have produced and implemented a more robust action plan and self-evaluation. They have ensured that all the independent school standards are now met.
- The academy has made a satisfactory response both in terms of action and timescale.
- Leaders have carried out the proposed actions to train the staff. This has ensured that all staff are familiar with the independent school standards, plan and implement their teaching more effectively, and have improved marking.
- The impact of these training programmes has been significant. Teachers are employing a good range of strategies in the classroom to ensure that all pupils make good progress. An improvement in the quality of marking has also made a significant contribution to pupils' progress. New schemes of work have been developed; they are fit for purpose and concentrate specifically on pupils' prior attainment.
- The academy has developed a new assessment framework and pupils can be seen to be making good progress.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

The school meets The Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 and associated requirements

Inspection team

Peter McKenzie, lead inspector

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Information about this school

- Bahr Academy is an Islamic faith secondary school for girls located in the Elswick area of Newcastle-upon-Tyne. It is owned by the Bahr Academy Trust.
- The academy is registered for 30 pupils aged 11 to 16 years and currently has 30 pupils on roll.
- The academy opened in September 2010. It was last inspected in January 2015.

School details

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Type of school	Islamic faith secondary school
School status	Independent school
Age range of pupils	11–16 years
Gender of pupils	Girls
Number of pupils on the school roll	30
Proprietor	Bahr Academy Trust
Chair	Mr Muhammad Abdulmuheet
Headteacher	Ms Hamida Apa
Date of previous school inspection	13–15 January 2015
Annual fees (day pupils)	£2,300
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