

Brighton & Hove Clinic School

14–18 New Church Road, Hove, East Sussex BN3 4FH

Inspection dates

13 August 2018

Overall outcome

The school is likely to meet all the independent school standards when it opens

Main inspection findings

Part 1. Quality of education provided

All paragraphs

- Leaders have developed curriculum and assessment policies which appropriately consider the needs of pupils who require short-term educational provision during their hospital stays.
- Leaders have developed suitable teaching plans, which cover all the required areas of learning for pupils aged 11 to 19. This planning is likely to take account of pupils' different ages, abilities and their special educational needs (SEN) and/or disabilities. It is likely that most pupils will follow the curriculum set by their 'home school', therefore the provision will be highly flexible and tailored to meet the needs of individual pupils.
- British values and the protected characteristics, as identified in the Equality Act 2010, are planned to be addressed across the curriculum areas, as well as through the appropriately planned personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education programme.
- The school is likely to be well resourced and staffed.
- Leaders' plans for careers education are likely to be suitable. Although pupils will typically remain in the provision for only around three months, external careers advisers will be commissioned to provide impartial information, advice and guidance to pupils.
- An appropriate assessment system has been planned. Pupils' progress, both personal and academic, will be tracked over time. Teachers will use this information to help facilitate pupils' learning.
- Suitable arrangements are in place to monitor the quality of teaching and assessment.
- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 2. Spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of pupils

All paragraphs

- Leaders have developed policies and plans which outline a clear commitment to the promotion of British values and to ensuring that pupils learn about all the protected characteristics. The PSHE programme is focused on three core areas ('health and well-being', 'relationships' and 'living in the wider world'). As well as supporting pupils' recovery, the programme is also likely to ensure that pupils learn about a range of religions, cultures and beliefs, including through a calendar of themed 'impact' days.
- The school's 'Prevent' policy makes it clear that no member of staff may promote partisan views and that balanced viewpoints must always be presented in the teaching of all subjects.
- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 3. Welfare, health and safety of pupils

All paragraphs

- The school's safeguarding policy reflects the most recent statutory guidance. It will be made available on the school's website when this launches in September 2018. The designated safeguarding leaders have completed an appropriately enhanced level of safeguarding training. Leaders are knowledgeable and aware of their safeguarding duties, including in relation to the 'Prevent' duty. Arrangements for staff induction, training and regular updates and checks on their understanding are likely to ensure that pupils are kept as safe as possible. The school's proposed system for recording concerns, referrals and any actions taken is fit for purpose.
- The school's behaviour and anti-bullying policies are likely to meet requirements. They have been appropriately developed with pupils' specific health needs in mind.
- Arrangements for the provision of first aid are likely to meet requirements.
- The school is likely to be compliant with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. An appropriately robust fire risk assessment has been completed. The required checks on fire safety equipment, emergency lighting and the alarm system are completed and accurately logged.
- The school's acceptable health and safety and risk assessment policies are likely to meet the required aspects of health and safety in reducing identified risks.
- Admission and attendance registers will be kept electronically using the required codes and including the required information.
- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 4. Suitability of staff, supply staff and proprietors

All paragraphs

- All the required vetting checks have been or will be recorded on a single central register of checks, which is likely to meet requirements.

- Leaders have a secure understanding of safer recruitment, and understand the importance of completing all the required vetting checks on staff, supply staff and proprietors.
- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 5. Premises of and accommodation at schools

All paragraphs

- The school's premises consist of three main classrooms and are within the hospital building. Pupils will attend the school from their bedrooms on the floor above.
- The premises are secure and monitored by a security surveillance system, which includes coverage of all classrooms.
- Pupils' en-suite bedrooms, and the hospital's medical facilities, are likely to ensure compliance with all the standards related to toilets, showers, changing facilities and short-term care for sick and injured pupils.
- The premises are likely to be safe, clean and well maintained. The school's proposed health and safety policy is likely to meet requirements and to be implemented well.
- There is a suitable drinking water supply in the school's kitchenette, which is marked as such.
- The acoustic features, sound insulation, regulated hot-water supplies and internal and external lights are all suitable.
- There are two appropriate small spaces for indoor and outdoor physical education and recreation.
- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 6. Provision of information

All paragraphs

- All the required policies and information are currently available in hard copy and will be made available on the school's website, which is currently being completed.
- The school's intended progress report template is likely to meet requirements.
- Leaders are aware of their duty to provide local authorities with annual statements of income and expenditure for funded pupils with education, health and care (EHC) plans.
- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 7. Manner in which complaints are handled

All paragraphs

- The school's complaints procedure, outlined in a comprehensive complaints policy, is likely to meet requirements.

- Leaders have ensured that the independent school standards in this part are likely to be met if this school is registered.

Part 8. Quality of leadership in and management of schools

All paragraphs

- Leaders have diligently planned the opening of this hospital school. All the independent school standards are likely to be met and pupils' well-being is likely to be assured if Brighton & Hove Clinic School is registered as an independent school.

Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010

- Leaders have developed an appropriate accessibility plan. The requirements of Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010 are therefore likely to be met.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

The school is likely to meet the requirements of the schedule to the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 ('the independent school standards') and associated requirements.

Proposed school details

Unique reference number	146036
DfE registration number	846/6026
Inspection number	10056490

This inspection was carried out under section 99 of the Education and Skills Act 2008, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's likely compliance with the independent school standards that are required for registration as an independent school.

Type of school	Hospital day school
School status	Independent special school
Proprietor	Kath Murphy
Chair	Kath Murphy
Headteacher	Nicola Beil
Annual fees (day pupils)	£34,000
Telephone number	01273 747 464
Website	www.elysiumhealthcare.co.uk
Email address	info@elysiumhealthcare.co.uk

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal	Inspector's recommendation
Age range of pupils	Not applicable	11 to 19	11 to 19
Number of pupils on the school roll	Not applicable	16	16

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal
Gender of pupils	Not applicable	Mixed
Number of full-time pupils of compulsory school age	Not applicable	Up to 16
Number of part-time pupils	Not applicable	None
Number of pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities	Not applicable	Up to 16
Of which, number of pupils with a statement of special educational needs or an education, health and care plan	Not applicable	Up to 16
Of which, number of pupils paid for by a local authority with a statement of special educational needs or an education, health and care plan	Not applicable	Up to 16

Staff

	School's current position	School's proposal
Number of full-time equivalent teaching staff	Not applicable	4
Number of part-time teaching staff	Not applicable	3
Number of staff in the welfare provision	Not applicable	2

Information about this proposed school

- Brighton & Hove Clinic School intends to register as an independent special school in Hove, East Sussex. It is not currently operating and has never done so.
- The school intends to offer co-educational day places to the pupils aged 11 to 19 who are temporarily admitted for support with their eating disorders. Pupils are typically likely to be admitted for approximately three months.
- The school intends to open in September 2018.
- The majority of pupils are likely to remain on roll at their 'home school'.
- The school will be led by a proprietor, head of education and a headteacher. A management committee structure will fulfil a governance function.
- Leaders wish to register the school to cater for 11- to 19-year-olds, not 13- to 19-year-olds, as per the original application.

Information about this inspection

- This is the school's first pre-registration inspection.
- The inspection was carried out under section 99 of the Education and Skills Act 2008, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's likely compliance with the independent school standards that are required for registration as an independent school.
- The inspection was conducted with two days of notice.
- The inspector conducted the inspection with the organisation's head of education. He also spoke with the proprietor by telephone.
- The inspector considered a wide range of evidence to check the likelihood of the school meeting all of the independent school standards. He toured the premises, reviewed key documents and policies and considered the school's proposed curriculum.

Inspection team

James Waite, lead inspector

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