

The Corner School

Douglas Avenue, Wembley HA0 4DT

Inspection date

18 July 2019

Overall outcome

The school is likely to meet the relevant independent school standards if the material change relating to the school provision is implemented

Main inspection findings

Part 1. Quality of education provided

Paragraphs 2, 3, 4, 5 and 34

- Leaders wish to extend the school's age range from 5 to 11 to 5 to 12 to allow a very few existing pupils to remain in the school, in order to benefit from the therapeutic education being provided.
- The school's curriculum and assessment policy and related programmes of study have been suitably extended to account for pupils in Year 7.
- Planning covers all the required areas of learning, and takes account of pupils' interests and special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND).
- The planned curriculum includes detailed coverage of English, mathematics, science, the creative arts (art, design and technology, music and dance), humanities, physical education and healthy living, and computing.
- The curriculum also includes a comprehensive approach to developing pupils spiritually, morally, socially and culturally. Weekly personal, social, health and economic education lessons, and assemblies and a range of trips are likely to provide pupils in Year 7 with ample opportunities to learn about British values and equality.
- Leaders have also made suitable arrangements to ensure that pupils in Year 7 access regular, impartial and high-quality careers information, advice and guidance.
- Leaders have worked effectively to ensure the relevant independent school standards listed above are likely to continue to be met if the material change is implemented.

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 that are relevant to the material change.

School details

Unique reference number	145849
DfE registration number	304/6007
Inspection number	10115524

This inspection was carried out under section 162(4) of the Education Act 2002, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's likely compliance with the independent school standards relevant to the material change that the school has applied to make.

Type of school	Day special school for pupils with social, emotional and mental health needs
School status	Independent special school
Proprietor	UP – Unlocking Potential
Chair	Stuart Roden
Headteacher	Noreen Rahman
Annual fees (day pupils)	£48,000 to £79,000
Telephone number	020 3325 2772
Website	www.thecornerschool.org.uk
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Date of previous standard inspection	5–7 February 2019

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal	Inspector's recommendation
Age range of pupils	5 to 11	5 to 12	5 to 12
Number of pupils on the school roll	5	No change	Not applicable

Information about this school

- The Corner School is an independent special school in the London Borough of Brent.
- The school caters for pupils with education, health and care plans for their social, emotional and mental health needs.
- The school's most recent inspection was its first full standard inspection and took

place in February 2019.

- The school makes no use of alternative provision.
- The school's child protection policy reflects the latest statutory guidance, and is published online.

Information about this inspection

- The inspection was commissioned by the Department for Education (DfE) to consider the school's application to make a material change to its registration agreement. The proposed change is to increase the age range of pupils from 5–11 to 5–12.
- The DfE requested that the inspector consider whether particular independent school standards contained within Parts 1, 2 and 8 are likely to be met if the material change is implemented.
- The inspector conducted the inspection remotely. He considered the school's proposed curriculum documentation and had two telephone conversations with the headteacher. He discussed the reasons for the material change request and the proposed curriculum for pupils aged 12.
- There were not enough recent responses to Ofsted's online survey (Parent View) to consider as part of this inspection.

Inspection team

James Waite, lead inspector

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