

The Priory Roehampton Hospital School

The Priory Hospital Roehampton, Priory Lane, London SW15 5JJ

Inspection dates

6 November 2019

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 produced written curriculum and assessment policies. These appropriately consider the complex needs of pupils who are hospitalised to support them with improving their mental health.
- The curriculum covers all the required areas of learning for pupils aged 11 to 18, including a suitably impartial careers education programme.
- The curriculum is flexible and bespoke. It enables some pupils to follow the courses they were studying at their 'home school' at the point of admission to hospital. For others, the school focuses on English and mathematics. It also provides opportunities for pupils to experience a range of other subjects that are likely to interest and engage them. The curriculum is likely to take account of pupils' different ages, abilities and any special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). Pupils' personal and academic progress will be carefully assessed over the duration of their hospital stay. Teachers will use this in liaison with hospital staff to help support pupils' learning and recovery.
- British values and the protected characteristics, as identified in the Equality Act 2010, are planned to be addressed across the subject areas. They will also be delivered through the appropriately planned personal, social, health and economic (PSHE) education programme.
- The school is likely to be well resourced and staffed.
- 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

- The school's suitable PSHE programme is thoroughly planned. It ensures a balanced coverage of British values ('values that bind us together'), 'health and well-being' and 'trust and fairness'. The programme will be taught discretely on Fridays and in an integrated way throughout the week.
- Pupils will learn about a range of religions, cultures and beliefs. Fund-raising for charities is also part of the school's calendar of events.
- Leaders have developed appropriate policies which confirm the school's clear commitment to the promotion of equality. This includes all the protected characteristics.
- The school's staff handbook and curriculum policy make it clear that no member of staff may promote partisan views. It also states 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 suitable child protection policy reflects the latest statutory guidance and will be made available on the school's website when it is completed. Those with responsibility for safeguarding have completed an appropriately enhanced level of safeguarding training. Arrangements for staff induction, training and regular updates and checks on their understanding are clear. These 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 likely to be appropriate. In practice, because all pupils are inpatients, it is the hospital staff who lead on responding to concerns.
- The school is likely to be compliant with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. The most recent external fire risk assessment identified no significant concerns. A new assessment has been commissioned to include the new six-bed unit. All the required checks are being completed and appropriately logged by the on-site health and safety team.
- The school's behaviour, countering bullying and first-aid policies are likely to meet requirements. They have been appropriately developed with pupils' specific mental health needs in mind.
- The school's health and safety and risk assessment policies are likely to meet the requirements, in that they securely identify how best to minimise identified risks. Risk assessments of the premises, learning activities and pupils themselves are likely to be thorough and appropriate.
- Online admission and attendance registers will be kept using the required codes and include all the necessary 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 completed and recorded accurately on the school's single central register. This is likely to meet requirements. It includes the checks undertaken on the Priory Group's proprietors and senior managers.
- 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 two main classrooms within the hospital building. They are likely to continue to be safe, clean and well maintained.
- Pupils will attend the school from their bedrooms and communal areas.
- The school's suitable health and safety policy is likely to be implemented well.
- The hospital is 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 comply with all the standards related to toilets, showers, changing facilities and short-term care for sick and injured pupils.
- There are suitable and appropriately labelled drinking water supplies available to pupils on the wards. It is not appropriate to have readily available drinking water in the classrooms because of some pupils' eating disorders.
- The acoustic features, sound insulation, regulated hot water supplies, and internal and external lights are all suitable.
- There are appropriate outdoor spaces for physical education and recreation, including at the neighbouring Priory Lodge School.
- 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 developed.
- The school's intended report template, which will be written as part of pupils' progress and care reviews every six weeks, is likely to meet requirements.
- Leaders are aware of their duty to provide local authorities with statements of income and expenditure for funded pupils with education, health and care 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 proposed school's complaints procedure and online logging system are 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

Paragraph 34

- Leaders have thoroughly and effectively planned the conversion of this outreach provision into an independent hospital school.
- All the independent school standards are likely to be met. Pupils' well-being is likely to be assured if The Priory Roehampton Hospital School is registered as an independent school.

Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010

- Leaders have written a suitable accessibility plan. As a result, the requirements of Schedule 10 of the Equality Act 2010 are 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	147547
DfE registration number	212/6005
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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 school for pupils with mental health needs
School status	Independent school
Proprietor	Priory Education Services Ltd
Chair	Andy Cobley
Headteacher	Russell Cooper
Annual fees (day pupils)	£33,325
Telephone number	020 8876 8261
Website	None
Email address	RoehamptonCAMHSOutreach@priorygroup.com

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal	Inspector's recommendation
Age range of pupils	N/A	11 to 18	11 to 18
Number of pupils on the school roll	N/A	36	36

Pupils

	School's current position	School's proposal
Gender of pupils	N/A	Mixed
Number of full-time pupils of compulsory school age	N/A	Up to 36
Number of part-time pupils	N/A	0
Number of pupils with special educational needs and/or disabilities	N/A	Up to 36
Of which, number of pupils with an education, health and care plan	N/A	Up to 36
Of which, number of pupils paid for by a local authority with an education, health and care plan	N/A	Up to 30

Staff

	School's current position	School's proposal
Number of full-time equivalent teaching staff	N/A	6
Number of part-time teaching staff	N/A	0
Number of staff in the welfare provision	N/A	2

Information about this proposed school

- The Priory Roehampton Hospital School intends to register as an independent school in the London Borough of Wandsworth. It is currently operating as an outreach provision as part of Priory Lodge School. The intention of the school's application is to create two separate schools, one of which caters for pupils placed by local authorities (Priory Lodge School) and one that caters for children and young people admitted to hospital and funded by the National Health Service (NHS).
- The school intends to offer 36 co-educational day places to the pupils aged 12 to 18 (and very rarely some pupils aged 11) who are admitted as inpatients for support with eating disorders and other mental health needs. 30 places are funded by the NHS and a further six-bed provision has recently been completed for privately funded patients.
- The school intends to open as soon as registration is granted.
- Priory Lodge School was most recently inspected by Ofsted in May 2019, when it was judged to be 'good' and all the independent school standards were met. The Priory Hospital Roehampton was last inspected by the Care Quality Commission (CQC) in March 2019, when it was judged to be 'good' overall. The specialist eating disorder services and child and adolescent mental health wards were both also judged to be 'good'.
- The school will be managed and governed by the Priory Group. The school will be led by an executive headteacher and head of school.

Information about this inspection

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- This is the school's first pre-registration inspection and was conducted with two days of notice.
- The inspector conducted the inspection with the executive headteacher and head of school. He also met with the hospital's health and safety officer.
- The inspector considered a wide range of evidence to check the likelihood of the school meeting all of the independent school standards. For example, he toured the premises, reviewed key documents and policies, and considered the school's proposed curriculum.

Inspection team

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