

Ellern Mede Moorgate School

136 Moorgate Road, S60 3AZ

Inspection date

14 July 2022

Overall outcome

The school meets all of the independent school standards that were checked during this inspection

Main inspection findings

Part 3. Welfare, health and safety of pupils

Paragraph 7, 7(a), 7(b)

- The school's safeguarding policy meets requirements and is displayed on the school's website. Should parents require it, paper copies are available from the school reception.

Paragraph 15

- During the previous inspection, the inspection team found that the school attendance registers were not being completed regularly and accurately. As a result, not all of the pupils' educational sessions were recorded accurately.
- At the start of the inspection, leaders demonstrated how the new system of registration worked. Staff record individual pupils' attendance on a paper register. Information is then transferred to an online spreadsheet each week. This information is used to analyse individual pupils' attendance.
- Discussions with staff highlighted that they are familiar with the new system and use it on a regular basis. Senior leaders share pupil attendance patterns and analyses at multidisciplinary team meetings within the hospital.
- The independent school standards (the standards) in this part are now met.

Part 4. Suitability of staff, supply staff, and proprietors

Paragraphs 18(1), 18(2), 18(2)(a), 18(2)(b), 18(2)(c), 18(2)(c)(i), 18(2)(c)(ii), 18(2)(c)(iii), 18(2)(c)(iv), 18(2)(d), 18(2)(e), 18(3), 20(1), 20(2), 20(3), 20(3)(a), 20(3)(a)(i), 20(3)(a)(ii), 20(3)(b), 20(3)(b)(i), 20(3)(b)(ii), 20(3)(b)(iii), 21(7), 21(7)(a), 21(7)(b), 21(1), 21(2), 21(3), 21(3)(a), 21(3)(a)(i), 21(3)(a)(ii), 21(3)(a)(iii), 21(3)(a)(iv), 21(3)(a)(v), 21(3)(a)(vi), 21(3)(a)(vii), 21(3)(a)(viii), 21(3)(b), 21(4), 21(5), 21(5)(a), 21(5)(a)(i), 21(5)(a)(ii), 21(5)(b), 21(5)(c)

- The proprietor has put in place a single central record. This records all of the required relevant checks for the safe recruitment of staff.
- Leaders have ensured that medical checks are carried out on staff. These are kept

confidentially in staff files.

- Interviews for new posts are carried out by the proprietor and senior leaders. Staff who carry out the interviews have all received safer recruitment training. This ensures the relevant recruitment checks are carried out before new staff take up post.
- The standards in this part remain met.

Part 6. Provision of information

Paragraph 32(1)(a)

- The leaders and the proprietor have ensured the school's safeguarding policy meets current legislation and is displayed on the school's website. The school's safeguarding policy is also available for parents in paper format from the school's reception.

Part 8. Quality of leadership in and management of schools

Paragraph 34(1), 34(1)(a), 34(1)(b), 34(1)(c)

- Leaders and the proprietor have put together a comprehensive action plan. The plan outlines clearly how staff need to complete the attendance registers. Staff have carried out training. They understand the need to complete an attendance register for each pupil.
- Leaders and the proprietor have ensured that safeguarding processes and procedures continue to meet requirements.
- The standards in this part are now met.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

The school meets the requirements of the schedule to the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 ('the independent school standards') and associated requirements that were checked during this inspection. This included the standards and requirements that the school was judged to not comply with at the previous inspection. Not all of the standards and associated requirements were checked during this inspection.

The school now meets the following independent school standards

Part 3. Welfare, health and safety of pupils

- 15 The standard in this paragraph is met if the proprietor ensures that an admission and attendance register is maintained in accordance with the Education (Pupil Registration) (England) Regulations 2006[13].

Part 8. Quality of leadership in and management of schools

- 34(1) The standard about the quality of leadership and management is met if the proprietor ensures that persons with leadership and management responsibilities at the school-
 - 34(1)(a) demonstrate good skills and knowledge appropriate to their role so that the independent school standards are met consistently;
 - 34(1)(b) fulfil their responsibilities effectively so that the independent school standards are met consistently; and
 - 34(1)(c) actively promote the well-being of pupils.

School details

Unique reference number	147666
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This inspection was carried out under section 109(1) and (2) of the Education and Skills Act 2008, the purpose of which is to advise the Secretary of State for Education about the school's suitability for continued registration as an independent school.

Type of school	Other independent school
School status	Independent school
Age range of pupils	11 to 18
Gender of pupils	Mixed
Gender of pupils in the sixth form	Mixed
Number of pupils on the school roll	4
Of which, number on roll in sixth form	0
Number of part-time pupils	4
Proprietor	Peter Curtis
Headteacher	Adel El-Shirbini
Annual fees (day pupils)	£33,250
Telephone number	020 8959 7774
Website	www.ellernmede.org
Email address	adel.shirbini@ellernmede.org
Date of previous standard inspection	7 to 9 December 2021

Information about this school

- The school received its first full inspection in December 2021.
- The school aims to meet the needs of pupils with acute physical and mental health needs linked to eating disorders.
- Most pupils who attend the school have an education, health and care plan.
- The school does not use any alternative provision to deliver education to pupils.

- The school works very closely with the other multidisciplinary teams who are supporting pupils.
- School leaders have ensured that all pupils that attend are within the age limits agreed with the Department for Education as displayed on Get Information about Schools.

Information about this inspection

- This inspection was carried out at the request of the registration authority for independent schools. The purpose of the inspection was to monitor the progress the school has made in meeting the independent school standards and other requirements that it was judged to not comply with at its previous inspection.
- The inspection was carried out with no notice to the school.
- The inspector met with the assistant head teacher and spoke to the headteacher by telephone.
- The inspector met with a group of staff and checked the effectiveness of the new system for registering pupils.

Inspection team

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