

Greek Primary School of London

Independent school progress monitoring inspection report

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Purpose and scope of the inspection

This inspection was carried out by Ofsted under Section 162A of the Education Act 2002, as amended by schedule 8 of the Education Act 2005.^{1,2}

The inspection was conducted at the request of the Registration Authority for independent schools in order to monitor the progress the school has made in implementing its action plan following the previous inspection.

Information about the school

Greek Primary School of London is an independent co-educational school for pupils aged four to 11 years. There are currently 74 pupils on roll. The school, opened in 1984, serves the Greek-speaking community in London. Most pupils come from Greece or Cyprus. All are either native Greek speakers or bilingual. The Greek Ministry of Education runs the school, the language of instruction is Greek and the school follows the Greek National Curriculum. The school is located in detached accommodation in Acton. It aims to provide a high quality education for its pupils and to minimise the stress and disruption to their education which might be caused by their frequent mobility. The school is also subject to informal inspection by the Greek inspection system.

Context of the inspection

When the school was last inspected by Ofsted in March 2008, most but not all of the regulations were met. In September 2008, the school wrote to the Department outlining the action it proposed to take in order to meet the outstanding regulatory requirements. This action plan was not evaluated by Ofsted. This is the first monitoring visit to the school to check the progress the school has made in implementing its action plan.

Summary of the progress made in implementing the action plan

When the school was inspected in March 2008, the designated person for child protection had not been trained and the school's safeguarding policies did not reflect all the guidance in force at that time. By September 2008, the necessary level of training had been completed by the designated person and all staff had been provided with basic level safeguarding training. Since then, the head of the nursery

¹ www.opsi.gov.uk/acts/acts2002/ukpga_20020032_en_14#pt10-ch1-pb4-l1g162

² www.opsi.gov.uk/ACTS/acts2005/ukpga_20050018_en_15#sch8

has received higher level training in safeguarding and is the designated person for child protection in the Early Years Foundation Stage. However, the head of the primary school has not updated her training as the designated person for the school within the two-year period as required. Although the school's safeguarding policies have been reviewed, they still do not reflect all of the guidance, including the additional requirements that came into force on 1 October 2009.

The inspection in March 2008 found that the school had not drawn up a three-year accessibility plan in order to meet the requirements of the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, as amended. Although the school has an appropriate policy, the required accessibility development plan has not been put in place.

The facilities for pupils who are ill did not meet requirements when the school was inspected in March 2008. Appropriate steps have been taken and this regulation is now met.

Compliance with regulatory requirements

As a result of this inspection, the school must take action to meet The Education (Independent School Standards) (England) Regulations 2010³ ('the Regulations'), as follows:

- make arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of pupils at the school and ensure that these arrangements have regard to guidance issued by the Secretary of State (paragraph 7)
- fulfil its duties under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, amended by the Special Educational Needs and Disability Act 2001.

³ www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2010/1997/contents/made

School details

School status	Independent		
Type of school	Foreign International school		
Date school opened	1984		
Age range of pupils	4–12 years		
Gender of pupils	Mixed		
Number on roll (full-time pupils)	Boys: 40	Girls: 34	Total: 74
Number of pupils with a statement of special educational needs	Boys: 0	Girls: 0	Total: 0
Number of pupils who are looked after	Boys: 0	Girls: 0	Total: 0
Annual fees (day pupils)	No fees are charged.		
Address of school	3 Pierrepont Road London W3 9JR		
Telephone number	020 8992 6156		
Email address	greekschool@btconnect.com		
Headteacher	Maria Papastergiou-Davies		
Proprietor	The Greek Educational Counsellor		