

THE URSULINE PREPARATORY SCHOOL

2-4 Coventry Road, Ilford, Essex, IG1 4QR

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CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SCHOOL

The Ursuline Preparatory School, Ilford is a Roman Catholic co-educational day school for pupils aged from 3 to 11. There are currently 156 pupils on roll, 70 boys and 86 girls. The school has 36 children in the EYFS and 120 in the junior school. One pupil requires support for special educational needs and/or disabilities (SEND). No pupils have a statement of special educational needs or an education, health and care plan. Forty-three pupils have English as an additional language (EAL), though none require additional support for their English. The previous ISI inspection was a regulatory compliance inspection conducted on 14 to 15 June 2017.

PURPOSE OF THE VISIT

This was an unannounced visit carried out at the request of the DfE to check that the school has fully implemented the action plan submitted following the regulatory compliance inspection of 14-15 June 2017. The focus of the visit was on safeguarding and the premises and accommodation at schools.

INSPECTION FINDINGS

Welfare, health and safety of pupils – safeguarding [ISSR Part 3, paragraphs 7 (a) and (b); EYFS requirements 3.4 to 3.8; Provision of information to parents [ISSR Part 6, paragraph 32 (1) (c)]

The school meets the regulations and requirements.

The school meets the requirements for providing information relating to safeguarding to parents. Particulars of the arrangements for safeguarding are published on the school's website. The school has an appropriate policy for safeguarding which provides suitable arrangements to safeguard and promote the welfare of pupils at the school.

The school implements the correct procedures for safeguarding children's welfare, which are fully in line with the most recent statutory guidance, Keeping Children Safe in Education (KCSIE September 2016). Appropriate support is in place for all pupils, which meets the needs of children.

Safeguarding is suitably managed and procedures are appropriately reviewed. The designated safeguarding lead (DSL) is a member of the senior leadership team and takes prompt action as required if concerns are expressed about a pupil. Suitable arrangements are in place to ensure the correct referral process for allegations against staff (including the DSL), volunteers and the head. All staff, including those with designated responsibility for safeguarding, have appropriate levels of training. Staff have read and understood the latest version of Part 1 and Annex A of KCSIE. The governing body maintains careful oversight of safeguarding and ensures an annual review of policies and procedures.

Premises and Accommodation at schools [ISSR part 5, paragraph 23(1)(a) and (b)]

The school meets the regulations relating to toilet and washing facilities.

Suitable toilet and washing facilities are provided for the sole use of pupils. Leadership and management reviewed the provision of toilet and washing facilities throughout the school and ensured that the numbers of toilets were increased and that separate facilities were made available for boys and girls over the age of 8. Development planning is in place to refurbish existing facilities.

REGULATORY ACTION POINTS

The school meets all of the relevant requirements of the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014 and requirements of the Early Years Statutory Framework.