

Directorate of Government Schools Review Short Monitoring Visit Report

Sitra Primary Boys School Sitra - Capital Governorate Kingdom of Bahrain

Date of first monitoring visit: 13 December 2016

Date of last review: 30 November – 2 December 2015 SG021-C3-Ma009

Introduction

The monitoring visit of the school took place over one day, by a monitoring team from the Directorate of Government Schools Reviews (DGS) of the Education and Training Quality Authority (BQA) to verify the improvements that it enacted according to the recommendations of the last review visit. During the monitoring visit, improvement in students' performance is evaluated during the class observation, the learning walk, scrutiny of their written works and monitoring of general progress.

The Previous Judgement

• The school was judged "Inadequate" in the review visit, which was conducted in December 2015.

The recommendations	The description
Recommendation 1	Insufficient improvement
Recommendation 2	Insufficient improvement
Recommendation 3	Insufficient improvement
Recommendation 4	Partial improvement
The monitoring visit overall judgement	Insufficient progress

Summary of the first monitoring results

• The school needs a second monitoring visit after one year.

The overall outcomes of the visit

In order to have sufficient measures and improvements, the school is required to:

- Raise students' academic achievement and develop their basic skills in core subjects, particularly in English in Cycles 1 and 2, and Arabic in Cycle 2.
- Implement a more accurate self-evaluation, and establish regular mechanisms to monitor the strategic plan.
- Monitor the impact of professional development programmes in enhancing teaching and learning, so that it focuses on:
 - productive and effective classroom management
 - activating students' roles, reinforcing their self-confidence and assuming responsibility
 - implementing effective assessment methods, and accurately scrutinising students' written work.
 - supporting students and catering for their learning needs in lessons and written work.
- Continue to address the shortage in school facilities; represented in: a gym toilets, in addition to human resources, represented in: senior teachers for class teaching, mathematics and social counselling.

Appendix 1: Basic Information about the School

The school name (Arabic)		سترة الابتدائية للبنين											
The school name (English)		Sitra Primary Boys											
Year of establishment		1934											
Address		Building 634 - Road 523 - Block 605											
Town/ Village/ Governorate			Sitra/ Capital										
School's Contacts		17730492				-			Fax		17735375		
Grades (e.g. 1 to 12)		Primary					Mic	ldle			High		
		1-6				-				-			
Number of students		Boys 64		19	Girls		- T		То	F otal 649		19	
Students' social background The Majority of stud				Idents	s are :	from	avera	ıge iı	ncom	e fam	ilies		
Classes per grade	Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Classes	2	2	2	6	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-
Major recent changes in the school		 New appointments in the school year 2016-2017, represented in: School Principal Assistant Principal Senior Teachers for: English, social studies and Islamic Studies 3 teachers for English. 											

Appendix 2

Table 1: Judgement on how sufficient are the improvements in therecommendation

Judgement	Judgement Description
Sufficient Improvement	The school is making significant progress in addressing the recommendation. It has taken measures which have achieved great improvement linked to the recommendation which clearly resulted in improved performance, and positively impacted the outcomes.
Partial Improvement	The school is making inconsistent progress in addressing the recommendation. It has taken positive actions, which led to varying improvements in performance, and partially affected the outcomes.
Insufficient Improvement	The school does not achieve sufficient improvement in the recommendation. It was not successful in taking actions leading to appropriate improvement. There is a notable weakness that needs to be effectively and urgently addressed.

Table 2: The overall judgement of the school progress in the monitoring visit*

The Overall Judgement of Progress	Judgement Description
Sufficient Progress	The school has taken effective measures to bring about sufficient improvement in all of the recommendations.
In Progress	The school has taken several measures to bring about at least partial improvement in all of the recommendations. There are no recommendations with insufficient improvement
Insufficient Progress	The school has not brought about sufficient improvement in a single recommendation or more.

* In case of insufficient measures linked to the recommendations related to the licensing/organizational body, and with the school taking the appropriate measures on its part, the overall progress judgement will not be affected, except with the issues related to health and safety.