

1. To be completed by parent / guardian

In order to assist your Rabbi in answering the following information about your family, it would be useful to provide him the following information. Please give this form to your Rabbi with a stamped envelope addressed to: Admissions Officer, Hasmonean High School, Holders Hill Road, London NW4 1NA

Name of Applicant: _____ Hebrew Name: _____

Date of birth: _____ Current School: _____

Any other previous schools: _____

Name of Parent: _____

Address _____ Postcode: _____

To meet the faith practice requirement within the admissions arrangements of Hasmonean High School, a family must meet three out of the five of the requirements below, all during the last year. Your Rabbi must also be able to answer 'Yes' to the three questions on the following page. We reserve the right to verify the information provided by you and your Rabbi. Confirmation will be required from the Rabbi of the synagogue which you attend or from an orthodox Rabbi (from an orthodox Jewish synagogue¹) who is well acquainted with your family.

Area of law	Commitment to observance (Yes / No / Not Applicable)
1. Does your family eat away from home only in establishments certified as kosher by a recognised kashrut authority?	
2. Does your family observe the laws of family purity?	
3. Does your family commit time where possible to Torah study as required by Jewish law?	
4. Does your family commit time to communal prayer where possible and/or individual prayer in accordance with Jewish law?	
5. Does your family look for Rabbinic guidance with regards to Halachic queries?	

Please give this form to your Rabbi to complete and provide him with a stamped, addressed envelope so that he can return it directly to the School. Please note that this form must be completed by an orthodox Rabbi that has known your child and you over the whole of the last 12 months so that he can confirm that you and your child fully comply with the ethos statement below. If more than one Rabbi needs to complete the form to cover the last 12 months, please provide a completed form for each Rabbi covering the relevant period that he knew you during that period. Please note that no additional priority will be given because of the length of time (over 12 months) or the capacity in which the Rabbi(s) signing the form have known you or your family.

2. To be completed by Rabbi

Dear Rabbi,

Due to the current Code of Practice with regards to the admissions process for Faith Schools, we are requesting your help in assessing whether the above mentioned Applicant and his/her parent met the faith practice requirements for consideration for a place at our School under our oversubscription criteria. As part of the application process we have asked the family for the name of their synagogue Rabbi or a Rabbi that knows them well.

Hasmonean Ethos Statement

The ethos of the school is based unambiguously on the principles of Orthodox Judaism. At the core of those principles is a recognition that both the written and Oral Torah are Divine. The principles are enshrined in the Shulchan Aruch, the Code of Jewish Law, and its commentaries, which delineate the laws, customs and values of an Orthodox Jewish lifestyle.

¹ For a list of recognised Orthodox Jewish synagogues, please see the addendum at the end of this document. This list is not exhaustive and if you are unsure that your synagogue meets this requirement you should contact the JSSM or the school for clarification. Synagogues under the auspices of the United Synagogue, Adath, Federation, Sephardi, Union of Orthodox Hebrew Congregations, unaffiliated Orthodox synagogues & minyamin and Chabad/Lubavitch would meet the requirement of being Orthodox Jewish.

It is the school's aim to educate boys and girls to conduct themselves in strict adherence to the Orthodox Jewish lifestyle throughout their lives. In addition, it is the School's purpose to provide its pupils, dependent on their individual capabilities, with the knowledge and skills to enable them subsequently to take their place in society, for example in the worlds of Jewish learning, teaching or social service, or in the general academic, professional or business worlds.

The School in particular places special value on:

- a. Motivating pupils to engage in continual Torah study
- b. Derech Eretz – respect for others, both within the School community and in the outside world
- c. Integrity in all aspects of behaviour
- d. Inculcating a special concern for Israel and for all of our people living there.

EVIDENCE OF COMPLIANCE WITH CODE OF JEWISH LAW

Please indicate if you have evidence of the family's commitment to compliance with the following three aspects of Jewish law. Evidence might be, for example, based on the nature of questions that you have been asked by the family on questions of Jewish law. To meet the faith practice requirements of Hasmonean High School, the family's Rabbi must not be aware of any evidence to suggest that the family is not compliant with the three aspects of Jewish Law below; the family must also declare that they meet three out of the five requirements on page 1. You are also being asked to confirm your knowledge of the family over the last 12 months (or lesser period if you have not known them for the whole of the last 12 months). If you are unsure about the answer to any of the questions below, we request that you meet with the applicant to gain an understanding about the level of their observance.

Area of law	Evidence of commitment to observance (Yes/No/Unsure)
1. Does the family observe the laws of Shabbat observance?	
2. Does the family observe the laws of Yom Tov observance?	
3. Does the family observe separation of meat and milk products and utensils in the kitchen at home?	

I confirm that I am an Orthodox Ordained Rabbi and have no reason to doubt that the above information is a correct and accurate assessment of the child and his/her parent. I confirm that I have not completed this in the presence of the parent, nor have I completed it under duress.

Name of Rabbi: _____ Signature: _____

Synagogue / Communal Institution if applicable (*please include any official stamp at the bottom of the page*):

_____ Date: _____

Contact Number: _____ Email Address: _____

I have known the family for _____ years/months (delete as applicable). *

May I take this opportunity of thanking you for your time and assistance in this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Howard P. Glyn

Howard P. Glyn
Chairman, Admissions Committee of the Governing Body

Official Synagogue / Communal Institution Stamp

* Please note that parents/guardians who may be known to their Rabbi for a longer period will gain no advantage over those for whom the acquaintance is shorter. The purpose is merely to ascertain that the Rabbi has a sufficient period of acquaintance with the family to confirm compliance.

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Index of Orthodox Jewish Synagogues
(see footnote 1 above – this list is not exhaustive)

26 Clapton Common	JLE Rabbi Tatz Minyan
Aden Jews Congregation - Beth Hamidrash Nachalat Yosef	Kehal Chassidim
Adeni	Kehilat Yacob
Aish Edgware	Kehillas Netzach Yisroel
Alei Tzion	Kehillas Ohel Moshe
Anshei Shalom	Kehillas Toras Chaim (Hendon – Dayan Abraham)
Barnet	Kenton United
Beis Gavriel	Kesher
Beis Hamedrash Nishmas Yisroel	Kinloss
Beis Shmuel (Reb Chuna)	Kinloss - Sephardi Minyan
Beis Yisroel (Dayan Ehrentreu)	Knesset Yehemel
Beth Hamidrash Knesset Yehezkel	KNY
Beth Yissohor Dov ("Hagers")	Kol Yaakov, Edgware
Borehamwood & Elstree United	Kol Yakov
Borehamwood United	Kollel Beis Aharon
Bridge Lane Beth Hamedrash	Lubavitch
Brondesbury Park	Lubavitch Edgware
Bushey & District United	Lubavitch Golders Green
Central Square Minyan & Finchley Synagogue	Machzekei Hadass, Edgware
Chabad Hendon	Machzikei Hadass
Chigwell & Hainault United	Magen Avraham Kol Yaakov
Cockfosters & N Southgate	Mill Hill United
Crowland Road United	Minyan 21
David Ishag	Nacholat Yosef
Divrei Chaim	Ner Yisrael / Ner Yisroel
EAY & Chabad	Netzach Yisrael
EAYC	Netzach Yisroel, Edgware
EAYL	North Hendon Adas Yisroel
Edgware Adath (EAYC)	Od Yosef Hai
Edgware Sephardi Community	Ohel David Eastern
Edgware Torah Centre	Ohel Moshe
Edgware United	Ohr Chodosh
Edgware Yeshurun	Ohr Yisrael
Efrat Central	OYH
Elstree Shteibel	Persian Sephardi - Kinloss
Finchley Central Synagogue	Pinner United
Finchley Federation	Porat Yosef
Finchley Kinloss	Rabbi Elyahu Shalom
Gan Eden	Radlett United
GGBH (Munks)	Rambam Sephardi Synagogue
Gibraltar Minyan at LSJS	Saatchi Shul
Gibraltar Minyan/Kehilat Tzur Israel	SadiGer Beth Hamedrash
Ginzey Yisroel-Chortkov	Sasson Beth Hamedrash
Goldberg Minyan (Oak Hill Way)	Sephardi Minyan at Edgware Adass Yisroel
Golders Green Synagogue	Skolyer Beis Hamedrash
Hadley Wood United	South Hampstead Synagogue
Hampstead	Southgate & Cockfosters
Hampstead Garden Suburb	Spanish & Portuguese
Heichal Leah	St Johns Wood United
Hendon Adath Yisroel (HAYC)	Stanmore & Canons Park United
Hendon United - Raleigh Close	The Village Shul Hampstead
HGSS - Norrice Lea	Tiferes Tzvi
Highgate Synagogue	Tifet Eyal
Ilford Federation & United	Tsur Yisrael (Gibraltar Minyan)
Ilford Synagogue Beehive Lane	Woodside Park United
Jewish Learning Exchange	Yeshurun Federation (Edgware)
JLE	Yzur Yisrael