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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2025 No. 1045

EDUCATION, ENGLAND

The Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character (England) Order 2025

Made - - - -	*27th August 2025*
Coming into force - -	*29th August 2025*

The Secretary of State makes this Order in exercise of the powers conferred by section 69(3) and (4) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998(**a**).

The Secretary of State has followed the procedure specified in the Religious Character of Schools (Designation Procedure) Regulations 1998(**b**).

Citation, commencement and extent

1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character (England) Order 2025 and comes into force on 29th August 2025.

(2) This Order extends to England and Wales.

Designation of schools

2.—(1) The following voluntary aided schools are designated as schools having a religious character—

(a) Pilgrim's Cross CE Aided Primary School, Hampshire, SP11 6TY;

(b) Nancy Reuben Primary School, Barnet, NW4 1DJ.

(2) The religious denomination in accordance with whose tenets religious education is, or may be, required to be provided in accordance with Schedule 19 to the School Standards and Framework Act 1998(**c**), is—

(a) at the school designated in paragraph (1)(a), Church of England;

(b) at the school designated in paragraph (1)(b), Orthodox Jewish.

(**a**) 1998 c. 31. Section 69 was amended by paragraph 104 of Schedule 21 to the Education Act 2002 (c. 32) and by paragraph 35 of Schedule 2 to the Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Act 2021 (asc. 4). By virtue of S.I. 1999/672, the powers conferred by these provisions are exercisable by the Secretary of State only in relation to England.

(**b**) S.I. 1998/2535; to which there are amendments not relevant to this Order.

(**c**) Schedule 19 was amended by paragraph 117 of Schedule 21 to the Education Act 2002 (c. 32) and S.I. 2010/1158 and by paragraph 42(4) of Schedule 2 to the Curriculum and Assessment (Wales) Act 2021 (asc. 4).

Signed on behalf of the Secretary of State

Lorna Howarth
Deputy Director
Department for Education

27th August 2025

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order designates the schools listed in article 2(1) as having the religious character specified in article 2(2), in accordance with section 69(3) and (4) of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 ("the Act").

Designation as a school which has religious character is relevant for a number of purposes under the Act, notably:

(a) as part of the mechanism for determining the form of religious education to be provided under Schedule 19 to the Act;

(b) as part of the mechanism for determining the form of collective worship to be provided under Schedule 20 to the Act; and

(c) as part of the mechanism for determining school staffing matters under sections 58 to 60 of the Act.

A full impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no significant impact on the private, voluntary or public sectors is foreseen.

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