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**EDUCATION, ENGLAND**

**Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character  
(Independent Schools) (England) (No.2) Order 2003**

*Made* - - - - - *11th December 2003*

*Coming into force* - - - - - *11th December 2003*

In exercise of the powers conferred on the Secretary of State by sections 69(3) and 124B of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998(a), and having followed the procedure specified in the Religious Character of Schools (Designation Procedure) (Independent Schools) (England) Regulations 2003(b), the Secretary of State for Education and Skills hereby makes the following Order:

**Citation and commencement**

1. This Order may be cited as the Designation of Schools Having a Religious Character (Independent Schools) (England) (No.2) Order 2003 and shall come into force on 11th December 2003.

**Interpretation**

2. In this Order “the relevant religion or religious denomination” means the religion or religious denomination in accordance with whose tenets education is provided at the school or the school is conducted (or, as the case may be, each such religion or religious denomination).

**Designation of Schools**

3. The schools listed in column (1) of the Schedule are hereby designated as schools having a religious character.

4. The relevant religion or religious denomination in relation to a school listed in column (1) of the Schedule is stated opposite thereto in column (2).

11th December 2003

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(a) 1998 c.31; section 124B was inserted by the Independent Schools (Employment of Teachers in Schools with a Religious Character) Regulations 2003 (S.I. 2003/2037).  
(b) S.I. 2003/2314.

## SCHEDULE

Articles 3 and 4

### Schools Having a Religious Character

<i>(1)</i> <i>Name and Postcode of School</i>	<i>(2)</i> <i>Relevant Religion or Religious Denomination</i>
<b>Barnet</b>	
Kerem School N2 0RE	Orthodox Jewish
<b>Blackburn</b>	
Westholme School BB2 6QU	Christian
<b>Bolton</b>	
Bolton Muslim Girls School BL3 6TQ	Islam
<b>Bournemouth</b>	
St Thomas Garnet's School BH5 2BH	Roman Catholic
<b>Bromley</b>	
Bishop Challoner School BR2 0BS	Roman Catholic
<b>Brighton &amp; Hove</b>	
Dharma School BN1 8TB	Buddhist
<b>Camden</b>	
The Cavendish School NW1 7EY	Roman Catholic
<b>Cheshire</b>	
Abbey Gate School CH2 2AX	Church of England
<b>Derbyshire</b>	
Barlborough Hall School S43 4TJ	Roman Catholic
Mount St Mary's College S21 3YL	Roman Catholic
<b>Devon</b>	
Exeter Cathedral School EX1 1HX	Christian Anglican
<b>Dorset</b>	
St Antony's Leweston DT9 6EN	Catholic
<b>Durham</b>	
Durham High School DH1 3TB	Church of England
<b>East Sussex</b>	
Sacred Heart School TN5 6DQ	Roman Catholic
<b>Essex</b>	
Dame Johane Bradbury's School CB10 2AL	Christian
<b>Gloucestershire</b>	
Dean Close School GL51 6HE	Evangelical, Church of England
Dean Close Preparatory School GL51 9QS	Evangelical, Church of England
<b>Hackney</b>	
Beis Rochel D'Satmar Girls School N16 5DL	Jewish
<b>Hampshire</b>	
Farleigh School SP11 7PW	Roman Catholic
St Swithuns School SO21 1HA	Church of England
<b>Harrow</b>	
Reddiford School HA5 5HH	Church of England
<b>Havering</b>	
Immanuel School RH1 4HR	Christian

<b>Hertfordshire</b>	
Aldenham School WD6 3AJ	Church of England
Berkhamsted Collegiate School HP4 3AA	Anglican Christian
Immanuel College WD23 4EB	Jewish
St Albans School AL3 4HB	Christian non denominational
St Edmund's College SG11 1DS	Roman Catholic
The King's School Harpenden AL5 4BZ	Christian
<b>Kent</b>	
Grace School CT20 1HE	Reformed Baptist
<b>Lancashire</b>	
St Mary's Hall School BB7 9PU	Roman Catholic
Stoneyhurst College BB7 9PZ	Roman Catholic
<b>Lewisham</b>	
Olive Tree School SE13 6NZ	Islam
<b>Lincolnshire</b>	
Conway School PE21 6PL	Church of England
<b>Manchester</b>	
St Bede's College M16 8HX	Roman Catholic
<b>Merton</b>	
Wimbledon College Preparatory School SW19 4NP	Roman Catholic
<b>North Yorkshire</b>	
Ampleforth College YO62 4ER	Catholic
<b>Nottinghamshire</b>	
Al Karam School DN22 0PR	Islam
<b>Oxfordshire</b>	
Sibford School OX15 5RG	Quaker
St Mary's School OX12 8BZ	Church of England
<b>Richmond Upon Thames</b>	
Twickenham Preparatory School TW12 2SA	Christian
<b>Salford</b>	
Manchester Junior Girls School M7 4GN	Orthodox Jewish
<b>Sefton</b>	
St Mary's College L23 5TW	Roman Catholic
<b>Somerset</b>	
King's School Bruton BA10 0ED	Christian Anglican
King's Bruton Preparatory School BA22 7JA	Christian Anglican
<b>Staffordshire</b>	
Lichfield Cathedral School WS13 7LH	Church of England
<b>Suffolk</b>	
Woodbridge School IP12 4JH	Church of England
<b>Surrey</b>	
Notre Dame Senior School KT11 1HA	Roman Catholic
Notre Dame Preparatory School KT11 1HA	Roman Catholic
St John's Beaumont School SL4 2JN	Roman Catholic
<b>Torbay</b>	
Stoodley Knowle TQ1 2JB	Roman Catholic
<b>Warwickshire</b>	
Princethorpe College CV23 9PX	Roman Catholic

<b>West Sussex</b>	
Great Walstead School RH16 2QL	Christian
<b>Wiltshire</b>	
Marlborough College SN8 1PA	Church of England
St Mary's School SP7 9LP	Roman Catholic
<b>Windsor &amp; Maidenhead</b>	
The Marist Senior School SP5 7PS	Roman Catholic
The Marist Preparatory School SL5 7PS	Roman Catholic
<b>Wirral</b>	
Redcourt School CH43 1TX	Roman Catholic

### EXPLANATORY NOTE

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

This Order designates the independent schools named herein as having a religious character.

Under section 124A of the School Standards and Framework Act 1998, independent schools which are so designated are permitted to take account of certain religious considerations in making specified employment decisions which relate to teaching staff.

Designation by this Order is not of itself a means of acquiring a religious character or of changing religious character. Designation is the recognition of certain existing attributes of the school or its governing body as described in the Religious Character of Schools (Designation Procedure) (Independent Schools) (England) Regulations 2003.

A statement in the Order in relation to a school that the religious denomination in accordance with whose tenets education is provided at the school, or the school is conducted, is Roman Catholic, does not determine whether or not the school is a Catholic school according to canon law.

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