SIFs (Supplementary Information Forms for school applications)

SIFs for ALL school & nursery applications

All members who plan to apply for a Jewish nursery, primary or secondary school place will need a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) or CRP signed by Rabbi Lieberman.

Please book a time <u>now</u> for Rabbi Lieberman to complete your SIF applications by clicking <u>here</u>.

Please note: Both parents/carers, where applicable, need to attend the SIF appointment.

Please ensure that the forms are **fully** completed (other than the Rabbi's section) before your appointment. Please also be aware that a separate SIF form is required for **every** school application, so make sure to provide them all. In many schools a new SIF is required for each application – even if a previous SIF was accepted.

Over 50 appointments were made last year, so please book early to avoid last-minute panic situations.

To arrange a time to meet with Rabbi Lieberman, book via the online system here as soon as possible.

Please note: There is £45 charge for non-Full Members for the Rav to sign a SIF, <u>except</u> for signing off a BSPS SIF confirming EAYC Davenning and communal participation for the EAYC priority, for which there is no charge.

SIFs for BSPS

BSPS provides a priority to those who regularly attend and participate in services and communal events at the EAYC as defined on the SIF.

In order to be an EAYC priority you need signed confirmation on the BSPS SIF from the Rav of the EAYC in the area concerning regular shul attendance at EAYC and communal participation.

You do not need to be a member of the EAYC for The Rav of the EAYC to sign this.

The BSPS SIF is in three sections, each of which must be signed by a Rabbi.

- The first section requires a signature from the Rabbi to whom you regularly ask your Shailos.
- The second section is based on the Torah learning and shiurim in which you participate and requires a signature from a Rav who is aware of your Torah learning.
- Lastly, there needs to be a signature from the Rabbi of the Shul where you attend, daven regularly and participate communally.

The following is what you need to do in order to receive this signed confirmation from the EAYC. There is no distinction between members and non-members for signatures and confirmation of regular Shul attendance and communal participation at the EAYC for the BSPS SIF.

- 1. E-mail admin@eayc.org, **12 months before** you want the SIF signed and notify the office that you intend to request a signature on the SIF as an EAYC Priority.
- 2. Include in that email which minyanim you will be regularly attending. The only minyanim on Shabbos for which confirmation of attendance will be provided are the adult minyanim on Friday night and Shabbos morning at 265 Hale Lane, Edgware.
- 3. Inform on the same email, which EAYC communal activities you will be regularly participating.
- 4. Introduce yourself to and inform the Rav that you intend to request a confirmation of attendance and participation in twelve months' time.
- 5. Introduce yourself to and inform the Gaboyim of the minyan that you intend to request a confirmation of attendance and participation in 12 months' time.
- 6. It is up to you to make sure that the Rav and Gaboyim are aware of your regular attendance and participation **throughout the 12 months**.
- 7. Regular attendance and participation (at least 3 times a week, one to be on Shabbos, as per the BSPS SIF requirements) is defined as coming to the minyanim at the beginning of and participating appropriately in the Teffilos.
- 8. Book an appointment for your SIF to be completed well before the deadlines, as above.
- 9. In extenuating circumstances, where these criteria cannot be met, consult with the Rav.
- 10. It is the Rav's decision and at his discretion to decide if the attendance and participation meet the criteria for his signature.
 - Should you wish to challenge the Rav's decision, the EAYC will appoint an appeals panel consisting of the EAYC chairman, the EAYC Gaboyim and the EAYC representative on the BSPS Governors to review the Rav's decision.