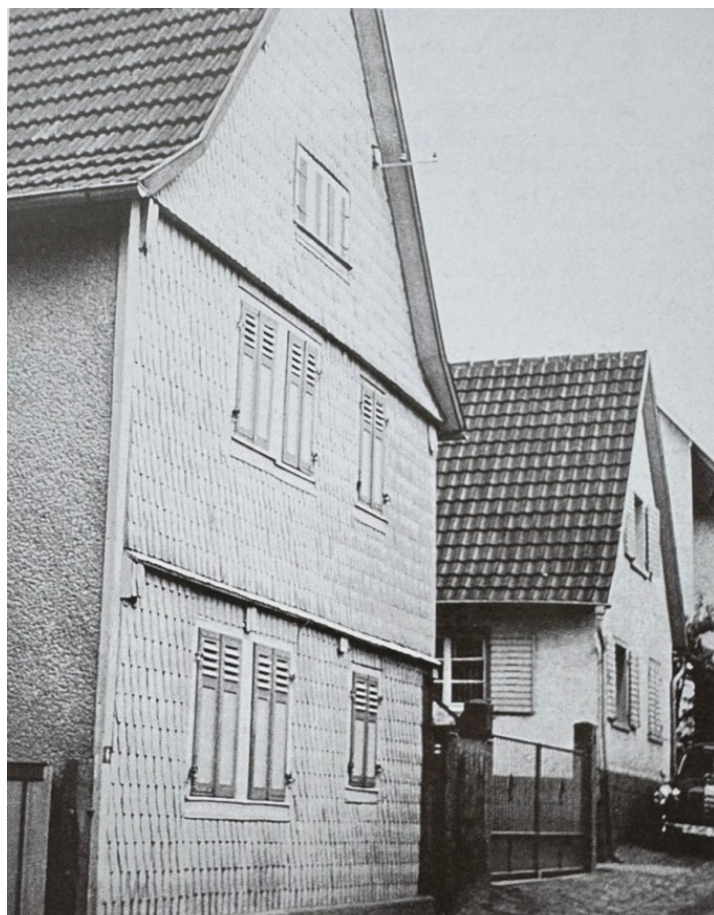


# HISTORICAL JEWISH LIFE IN RIMBACH



## Old Jewish school and old synagogue



In the photograph, in the back on the right, the first Jewish house in Rimbach documented in official records can be seen. “Mosche der Judt” acquired the house at today’s Brunnengasse 8 in 1730. This house was used for schooling and as a prayer room (synagogue) as early as 1774.

The subjects initially taught were likely:

1. Reading and translating Hebrew
2. History of the Jews according to the Old Testament
3. Jewish religious instruction
4. Mosaic laws and ceremonial regulations

Following an exchange of property with Valentin Allert, the Jewish community of Rimbach used the house at Brunnengasse 6, built in 1758, as a schoolhouse from 1820 to 1835 (front house in the photograph). German reading, writing, arithmetic and religion were included in the curriculum of the Jewish school of Rimbach from 1821 at the latest. The Jewish teachers also lived in the house.

From 1815 onwards, Jewish children were allowed to attend Christian schools. According to the school law, all children of the municipal were required to attend elementary school from 1874 onwards. Religious instruction remained separated by denomination.

In 1840, the new synagogue with schoolrooms was inaugurated at the corner of Schloßgasse and Heinzenwiesenweg.

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