



# St Thomas More

Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer

Please find enclosed an Ethnic Background Record Form. To ensure you select your child's correct Ethnicity, please see the examples below.

If a child has 2 parents whose heritage is Chinese, then their ethnicity is Chinese. If both parents were born in the UK, they may have British citizenship, but ethnicity is determined by genetics so the children will still be Chinese, even if they are born in the UK as well. Therefore, their ethnicity will be recorded in the system as Chinese.

Another example is if a child has one parent who was born in Poland to parents of Polish descent and the other parent was born in Scotland to parents of Scottish descent, the child will be categorised as 'white other' even though the child may have been born in England and have British citizenship, or indeed dual citizenship. I hope these examples help to make it a bit clearer the difference between ethnicity and citizenship.

We are very proud of our multi-cultural school and celebrate the diversity we have in our school community and it is also something that we want to be sure we get right – especially in terms of recording information in a census.

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