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Dear Parents and Carers,

You may have seen recent media coverage regarding Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) and its use in educational settings. RAAC is a lightweight form of concrete; because it is weaker than regular concrete, concerns have been raised about its long-term durability. The Department for Education (DfE) has recently changed its guidance to education settings on the management of RAAC to take a more precautionary approach.

We have previously been informed by Bradford Council that we do not have any confirmed RAAC in any of our buildings and therefore did not need to close any areas. However, due to the nature of RAAC we wanted to take extra care, so we have worked with local surveyors who have also determined that there is no RAAC in any of our schools.

Thank you for your patience whilst we organised full assurances on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Thorp

CEO