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Dear Parent/Carer

## **School buildings and reinforced autoclaved aerated concrete (RAAC)**

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 and 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 cautious approach and as a result areas in affected spaces will be vacated.

We do not have any confirmed RAAC in our buildings and we have not been asked to close any areas. However, we are double checking whether RAAC has been used in the construction of any part of our buildings. If RAAC is identified, I will inform you immediately and appropriate action will be taken.

In the interim, King Edward VII School will continue to operate as normal.

Thank you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely

**Linda Gooden**  
Headteacher