

4th September 2023

Dear Families,

The Department for Education has suggested that schools without RAAC forward this statement to 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. Department for Education (DfE) has recently changed its guidance to education settings on the management of RAAC.

Lady Lumley's School was surveyed for RAAC during the last academic year. We wanted to inform you that we are not affected by the DfE's decision as we do not have RAAC in any of our buildings and therefore we will continue to function as normal. We understand that parents may want to understand more about the support to educational settings to manage RAAC safely. You can read more through the article published by the DfE on the Education Hub.

In addition to the DfE statement, whilst Lady Lumley's can open for the new year as normal, Scalby School, part of Coast and Vale Learning Trust faces significant disruption due to RAAC. We have and will continue to offer Scalby School any assistance we can to support the education of their students.

I hope that this offers reassurance.

Yours sincerely,

Clair Foden Headteacher

