



ABBOT'S LEA SCHOOL

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Dear Families

Ref: Department for Education - RAAC Survey

As you will be aware from the national press, DfE has identified schools with a potential RAAC concrete problem.

Abbot's Lea School has now been identified as a school requiring a structural survey to find out if RAAC was used and if so, what condition it is at this moment in time.

Today, I received a confirmation that the survey will take place on Thursday, 14 September 2023.

I have spoken to the structural engineering contractor who will undertake it and we have agreed an approach and a timetable that will not impact students' attendance or learning on the day.

The contractor will arrive at 12 noon and start the survey in The House, which is, as you may be aware, used primarily for our administrative function, staff offices, staff rooms, meeting rooms, therapy block and kitchen.

The next building will be our Food Technology block – again, we will make sure that no students are present during the survey in that area.

Once the students have left at 3pm, the survey will move into the two teaching buildings (one of which – Key Stage 3 building – is a modern, modular building and so, unlikely to have any RAAC).

I am not yet aware of how soon after the completion of the survey I will receive its findings, but I will write to you again as soon as the facts related to RAAC are established.

Meanwhile, I wish to offer you assurance that there are no known problems on site and that the fabric of the buildings is maintained well, based on all previously conducted structural surveys carried out over the years.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher

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