

By email to: Parents and Carers, City of Edinburgh
Council pupils

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Dear Parents and Carers

Following recent media coverage about schools in England having to close due to the presence of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC), I wanted to reassure about what we are doing here in Edinburgh.

We have been assessing schools for its presence since April and carried out a significant number of surveys over the summer prioritised based on known potential risk factors such as the age of the building and type of construction.

To date, RAAC has been identified in seven schools and at each, appropriate mitigation measures have been put in place.

In all the other schools surveyed over the summer there has been no RAAC identified and they can remain open.

Surveys will continue across the estate in line with current UK Government guidance. If any further mitigation measures are necessary the schools involved will be fully supported to ensure learning and teaching can continue.

Yours sincerely



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