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## RAAC - Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete

**Dear Parents and Carers** 

I am writing to you to share some important information about Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC). You will have seen that this concrete is beyond its lifespan and can pose a risk of collapse. There has been significant media coverage of this over the last few days and I know that some parents have been concerned about the possibility of RAAC in their children's schools.

The Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Multi-Academy Trust Estates Team has been proactive over the past 12 months and has ensured that independent RAAC surveys have taken place at all 36 of our schools. RAAC has only been detected in one school, Holy Trinity Catholic Primary School in Newark.

I am pleased to say that RAAC has not been detected at St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary Voluntary Academy.

We are working proactively at Holy Trinity School, where RAAC has been detected in some classrooms and we have plans in place to ensure that all children can attend school safely from Monday.

I wish you and your children a very happy and productive start to the new school year.

Yours faithfully,

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