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The Rt Hon Sir Liam Fox MP Sent by email to: liam.fox.mp@parliament.uk

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Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) in schools and colleges in England

Dear Sir Liam,

Following my letter to you in September 2023 regarding Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC), we have been working closely with schools and colleges to support them to keep disruption to education at a minimum. Thanks to the hard work of school and college leaders, all schools and colleges with confirmed RAAC are providing full time face-to-face education for all pupils.

I am pleased to say we have concluded the Department for Education's RAAC identification programme. This means our questionnaire has now closed and any school or college that advised us they suspect they might have RAAC has had a survey to confirm if RAAC is present.

I am happy to inform you that today we have written to all schools and colleges confirming how they will be funded to remove RAAC permanently from their estate. Permanently removing RAAC may involve significant refurbishment of existing buildings or rebuilding. Schools and colleges will be funded either through grants or through the School Rebuilding Programme.

The list below sets out details for the schools and colleges in your constituency.

| Setting name | Responsible Body | Funding route |
|----------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Gordano School | Lighthouse Schools Partnership | Grant |

The school below has also now been admitted to the School Rebuilding Programme because of other identified urgent building need.

| Setting name | Responsible Body |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|
| Clevedon School | Futura Learning Partnership |

If you have any further questions, our MP hotline is available Monday to Friday (8:00-16:00) on 020 4582 6476.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank school and college leaders for their hard work over the recent months in dealing with RAAC and to you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Rt. Hon. Gillian Keegan

Secretary of State for Education