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Dear parents/carers,

I regret to inform you of damage caused to parts of the school building by recent heavy rainfall. This damage has been assessed by structural engineers over the weekend and has been deemed unsafe in its current condition.

This presents working conditions and concerns for pupils and staff that require us to close the affected areas of the building.

At present we are unable to open the school to any pupil in year 9, year 10 or year 11 on Monday (20th) or Tuesday (21st). Please do not send your child to school on these days. We are in ongoing discussions with the Local Authority buildings and maintenance team to find a solution to allow us to open later in the week. The position at present looks very challenging despite efforts by our site teams and the council buildings teams. However, we are working very hard to find a solution.

Pupils in year 7 and year 8 should attend school as normal. The buildings and facilities for these pupils are unaffected.

Please be ready to receive updates on Kingsmead School new website kingsmeadschoolderby.co.uk and by email and/or text message over the course of the week where we will keep you informed of the latest position. As soon as we have clearance to allow pupils and staff back in the affected areas we will aim to resume regular provision.

We will be in contact to make arrangements for educational provision during this period and we will aim to support pupils accessing remote/home learning. We will also put plans in place for those pupils eligible for free school meals.



I am sorry for any inconvenience and disruption this causes to pupils and families and would like to reassure you that these issues are in no way related to RAAC (Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete).

Yours sincerely,

Emmet Bunting

Executive Headteacher