Hansraj Model School, Punjabi Bagh, New Delhi-110026

9th November, 2016

Dear parents,

Greetings from Hansraj Model School!

We sincerely believe that joining hands together as responsible members of the community will surely go a long way in empowering our students, the future citizens of our country.

Keeping this in mind we wish to focus on a very serious environmental/health issue bothering all of us for the past few days post Deepawali. The hazardous smoke has left Delhiites gasping for breath. Incessant coughing, itching and burning sensation in the eyes, difficulty in breathing are being experienced by people whereas acute chest congestion, asthmatic attacks, aggravation of underlying diseases is being experienced by the children and elderly. Severe air pollution is caused by various conscious and unconscious reasons created by us.

As per UNICEF and WHO's latest findings almost one in seven of the world's children, approximately 300 million, live in areas with very high toxic levels of outdoor air pollution which is six or more times higher than international guidelines.

As active citizens it's time that we all must share the responsibility to combat this alarming situation in the capital .We seek your partnership in this initiative, by spreading awareness about this important issue amongst your children, family and friends.

I take this opportunity to highlight some remedial/ corrective measures taken at school:

- 1. Morning assemblies have been suspended and no outdoor sports and other activities will be held till the air quality improves.
- 2. Preserve and promote greenery.

Advisory issued in public interest:

- 1. Kids to stay indoors and avoid crowded places.
- 2. Keep yourself hydrated and consume Vitamin C to improve immunity.
- 3. Keep the surroundings moist by sprinkling water on trees and ground etc.
- 4. It is advisable to wear a good quality mask.
- 5. Do not engage in very strenuous physical activities.

We sincerely believe that our parents would join hands with us and walk these small steps together in the right direction.

Remember, each one of us can make a difference.

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