



**FR. AGNEL SCHOOL**  
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**Sub : INTRODUCTION OF ANTI-MICROBIAL SHIELD**

Dear Parents,

The health of our children is an overwhelming preoccupation in our School. As you know, the environment in Delhi is not conducive for the kids and I was given to understand by a Doctor in the NCR that a new born child is exposed to pollution equal to 8 cigarettes, a day. It looks alarming. But even if we discount it by 75% and bring it to 2 cigarettes per day, I consider it alarming for any new born baby.

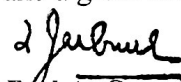
The School had long ago held the view that School is more than kids being taught to learn to read, write and count. True education must prepare them for a life where they will be robust, vibrant and critical thinkers. The School is ringed with trees all over around it, and that was the first thing we did before we built. The School is also using material which is environment friendly like bricks in Delhi, or terra cotta tiles in Noida, etc. We also use processed water wherever that is required in Noida and Vaishali and we are using Delhi Jal Board water which is much within the WHO standards for its TDS. To ensure this, we test our drinking water every month and record those readings. So, the School is proactive to those elements that we can control. We also have now paved the walkways inside the School with stones which are easy to clean and therefore safe from bacterial deposits.

There is however an unseen enemy that is hovering over us, all the time and in all the places. That is the microbial and bacterial presence in everything that we touch or do, including our cell phones or door handles or even the table we work on. Everything that we use, is under a continuous onslaught by microbes and bacteria that are harmful and every day weaken our immune system.

The School is taking the next step to minimize the risk of children, specially of pre-school and lower primary school, by using an anti-microbial shield called AEGIS MICROBE SHIELD. an American product that clearly prevents microbial settlement on products that we use, by layering on it a product that is harmless to the user but dreadful to the microbes. I am putting a brief about the product on our website. They are expensive products, but if we love our kids, we have to walk the extra mile. Readings taken show that the product once applied works like magic, but it has to be repeated in about 100-110 days.

So, from now onwards, all the washrooms of the School will be treated with AEGIS MICROBE SHIELD. We also want to cover all very junior school classrooms, with the shield and in the next phase we will cover upto Class III of the primary level. That is how we are putting a shield to protect every single child from Nursery till Class III i.e. from the age group of 3 to 8. Being in the middle of the year, we will not top this up on the fees, but will do so in the next year and although it costs us about Rs. 80 a month per child, we will absorb part of it and pass on only Rs. Rs 50/- per child per month. Let that not worry us for now.

The School you belong to, is not an ordinary School, but one that cares for the kids, and will do everything it reasonably can, to make it safe for the kids. That is the difference between a good School and a great School.

  
Fr. J.A. Carvalho  
Director

