

## 18<sup>th</sup> November 2019 What's going on this week?



Schools in India's capital city of Delhi have had to close, because air pollution levels there have been dangerously high. They were closed for 4 days in most places and face masks were also handed out in schools due to the high levels of smog in the city. Health officials were asking people to stay indoors and not do any physical activity outside to avoid getting ill. Levels of dangerous particles in the air are at well over 10 times safe limits in the capital. City authorities have responded by limiting the number of cars on the roads. Supreme Court Justice Arun Mishra has said, "Delhi is choking every year and we are unable to do anything, the state is not acting...They are passing the buck to each other."

Things to talk about at home...

- What do you think would be hard about living in the smog in Delhi?
- How would you feel having to wear a face mask to school, and if your school had to be closed due to air pollution?
- Do you think that rules and laws are important to help with air pollution? Can you think of other ideas alongside limiting the cars on the road to help reduce air pollution?

Please note any interesting thoughts or comments here...





