

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern about energy saving in Hong Kong. As a member of my school's Environmental Protection Committee, I have discovered that not many students in my school are environmentally conscious enough. In this letter, I would like to focus on energy saving as students are more likely to forget about his aspect of environmental protection.

When people talk about wasting energy, they mostly mean wasting electricity. Generating electricity produces a lot of carbon dioxide, which causes global warming. This is why we should not use energy more than we actually need. In this letter, I will suggest two things that can be done to save energy.

The first thing has to do with air conditioners in the classroom. I often see students turn the air conditioners to a higher level than needed while many are shivering even in their sweaters. This is a serious wastage of energy. I suggest installing a system which will regulate when the air conditioners can be turned on. By allowing the use of air conditioners only when the temperature of the classroom is high enough, energy can be saved as air conditioners are very energy consuming.

The second way to save energy is to use few lights in the classroom and use LED lights to replace light bulbs. Although there are windows in the classroom, they do little to let natural light into the room. That's why classrooms have to have lots of lights on even though it's sunny outside. The first thing students can do is to turn off the lights when they leave the room. They can also reduce the use of lights when there are not many students in the room like during recess time. I also suggest installing mirrors which reflect sunlight into the room, which lessens the need of lights. It works as lights but instead of using electricity, it uses natural light.

In conclusion, students should save energy in order to protect the environment. Using less energy in any form or way will have a positive impact on the environment. I hope this letter can make students be more environmentally conscious and take action in saving energy.

Yours faithfully,
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