

## Letter to the Editor

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You are concerned about the solid waste that schools in Hong Kong produce. You would like to raise public awareness on the following three problems in particular:

- The bottled water sold in tuck shops
- The polystyrene lunchboxes and utensils
- The flyers and posters used to promote campaigns in schools

Write to the editor of the South China Morning Post and express our views on what the government and schools can do to go green. You should write about 250 words.

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Dear Editor,

### **Re: How to solid waste that schools in Hong Kong produce?**

Nowadays, we must face the serious problem of solid waste. No one wants our environment to be surrounded by solid waste. What we must do now is to pay attention to this problem and solve it. According to a research, Hong Kong must fight for 2320 tons of plastic waste every day.

At present, there is no way to deal with insufficient Hong Kong landfills. There is so much plastic garbage. This garbage has been decomposed for too long, resulting in excessive land pollution. I think the government should strengthen the management and find a solution to let people know the consequences of this matter.

As a concerned resident, let me give you some advice. First of all, at school, students always buy bottled water to drink, resulting in a lot of solid waste generated by the school tuck shop. Schools can install more water dispensers to encourage people to refill their water bottles, not to buy bottled water. In addition, students also throw away a lot of polystyrene lunchboxes and utensils every day, which are also a kind of solid waste. I think the school can encourage students to bring their own lunchboxes or the school tuck shop no longer provides polystyrene lunchboxes and tableware. Students need to bring their own lunchboxes. The schools can hold environmental awareness activities from time to time and use electronic posters or video publicity. This can not only protect the environmental, but also raise students' awareness of environmental protection.

Protecting the earth is not a difficult task. In order to protect our homeland, I hope the government, and everyone will pay attention to this issue again and save our planet together.

Yours faithfully,

*Chris Wong*