

Dear Editor,

I am writing to express my concern regarding the problem of solid waste in schools across Hong Kong. It is evident that schools in Hong Kong generate a substantial amount of waste, including plastic water bottles sold in tuck shops, polystyrene lunch boxes, and cutlery. Such waste poses a significant environmental threat to our city. As a concerned citizen and student, I would like to share my thoughts on how we can address this pressing issue.

To begin with, I strongly believe that selling bottled water in tuck shops is not a viable option. While it may seem convenient, plastic bottles create a substantial amount of waste that is difficult to decompose, leading to overflowing landfills and environmental degradation. Instead, students can drink from paper cups or bring their own reusable water containers to school.

Secondly, the use of polystyrene lunchboxes and cutlery should be discouraged. Although it is convenient to carry food with them outdoors, they contribute to tremendous amount of plastic waste. The government should promote the use of recyclable or reusable containers in restaurants and other food establishments to reduce the amount of plastic waste generated.

Lastly, the way of using flyers and posters to promote campaigns in schools should be reconsidered. Instead of relying solely on printed materials, we can hold lectures or even produce drama performances to raise awareness of the solid waste problem and encourage people to make concerted efforts to solve the problem.

In conclusion, I hope that my recommendations will help alleviate the solid waste problem in schools across Hong Kong. It is crucial that we work together to reduce our environmental impact and protect our planet for future generations.

Yours faithfully,

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