



## *And now, a word from the future*

We go green for many reasons. To do our part. To be good role models. To make our home at TMR a finer place. But more than anything, we do it to leave a better world to our children and grandchildren. So, this month, I turn over this space to an eloquent voice for those younger generations.

—Terry Shepard

### *Some Solutions for Pollution* *by Destinea Nelson, 14*

Trash and waste  
is what makes our world bitter.  
So why is the outdoors  
the place that people litter?

When plastic is made  
it's made to stay.  
As polluting as it is  
it never goes away.

Our environment is hurting  
deep down in its core  
and the more people litter  
they damage it even more.

So to make the earth  
a better place  
please find other ways  
to dispose of your waste.

It's imperative we do this  
so in landfills items won't get stuck.  
Try to use reusable bags,  
paper goods, and reusable cups.

I don't think it's understood  
how much environmental damage we cause.  
I'm just curious  
have you ever Googled turtles and straws?

There are so many ways  
to repurpose our essentials  
because the way we treat our world  
can be very detrimental.

Now that we have  
explored some solutions  
we can all work together  
to eliminate pollution.

Being environmentally responsible  
is not as hard as it seems.  
I hope this poem  
will inspire you to go green.

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