

IN-SMARTIVE UNDERGRADUATES HELP SCHOOLS TO MASTER ENGLISH

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total of 148 undergraduates took part in the 'Kilauan Mutiara Teach Malaysia Teach' (TMT) organised by Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP) In-Smartive Club aimed at strengthening the command in English among pupils in Pekan.

It was held at Student Activity Centre in UMP, Pekan on February 11, 2012.

The pupils were from Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan (C) Yoke Hwa, Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan (C) Pekan, Sekolah Kebangsaan Ahmad, Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Seri Biram, Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Seri Terentang, Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Langgar and Sekolah Jenis Kebangsaan Indera Shahbandar, Pekan.

According to UMP Vice-Chancellor, Professor Dato' Dr Daing Nasir Ibrahim, the initiative contributed towards achieving standards specified in the Key Result Area (KRA) and socio-economic development as well as giving added value to local community in Pekan.

He added the project was also in line with UMP's corporate social responsibility towards the people, especially in Pekan.

"The undergraduates must realise that knowledge learned in campus will be less significant unless it is spread around and shared with the community," he said in his speech when officially launched 'Kilauan Mutiara Teach Malaysia Teach (TMT) project.

He hoped the project would be able to foster closer ties and better understanding with the schools.

In-Smartive Club deputy president and project manager Mohd Jamil Mohd Ja`afar said the programme would motivate and develop the pupils' identity as well as help to mentally prepare them for the Primary School Evaluation Examination (UPSR).

"A lot of motivational activities will be held such as Filial Piety, Dare To Be You, Green At Heart, All Children Excel, Study Techniques, Time Management and Young Star Games," he said when met at the official launching of the programme.

He added that there would be 27 sessions scheduled at the schools while five would be held in the campus, hoping the exposure given would further spur the pupils to develop self-discipline, to be independent and more responsible and be able to work as a team.

Mohd Jamil said other than stressing the importance of knowledge, the programme also aimed at educating the pupils about life in campus.

One of the participants, Vivian Yeo Sui Hong, 11, said she was very fortunate to be selected for the programme, adding, it helped her understand the importance of education and how it could change one's fate.

Also present were Pekan District Education Officer, Tuan Haji Alias Chik, Pekan Ex Education Officers Association Chairman, Dato' Haji Ibrahim Ya'acob, Senior Deputy Registrar, Wan Abdul Rashid Wan Abdul Rahman, Welfare and Social Development Organisation Representative, Elia Mastura Kamaruddin and In-Smartive Club Advisor, Wan Nazrul Helmy Wan Mohd Zain.

TMT will be implemented throughout the year and will involve 80 volunteers from the club, supported by the Technology Faculty.