

Field trip for children of Kajang home

Volunteers take youngsters on tour of newly refurbished National Science Centre

THE National Science Centre reopened its doors to the public in mid- October after a two-year closure for renovations.

To celebrate the last day of school for 19 children from Open Hands Home, Kajang, Ireka Cares volunteers organised a fun trip to the centre.

Volunteers and the children from Ireka's adopted homes had an adventurous tour at the renovated centre that has many exciting hands-on interactive science exhibits, which are divided into nine different galleries.

On the first and second floors, there are indoor galleries such as The Aquarium, Wonderspark, Eureka and I-Ray while at the outdoor educational park called Science Wonderland, there are galleries such as Subterranean Journey and Prehistoric Trail.

The trip started with a walk through the indoor galleries where the children learned and explored basic science, biology, chemistry, physics, technologies

and innovations.

During the tour, the children enjoyed The Aquarium and saw 80 different species of tropical and freshwater fish.

At the Wonderspark, they learned about natural elements like water, light and wind through interactive exhibits.

The next stop was Eureka, where the mathematical and physical concepts such as sound, wavelength, and music are introduced through experimental instruments and demonstrations.

Ireka Cares volunteers also organised a luncheon at Ireka Corporation Bhd's headquarters in Mont Kiara to enable the senior management to chat with and get to know the children from the homes.

"I am delighted and proud of our volunteers who sacrificed their time to organise this meaningful event and spent time with the children," said Ireka corporate social responsibility steering committee chairman Datuk Lai Foot Kong.



(Above) Hands-on demonstrations make the visit interesting.



(Left) Some of the guests having a closer look at one of the exhibits.