Village happy to be chosen for Adopted Family Programme again

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BETONG: Residents of Kampung Melayu here are glad that their village has been chosen once again by Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (UNIMAS) as the venue for its Adopted Family Programme which will be held from 23 to 25 Nov.

The village community leader, Penghulu Haji Abang Zawawie Rajit said this was good news as both the village and the university would be winners in the programme.

"The programme will enable the university students to know more about the customs of the local community. "The togetherness with the people will also allow them to be close to the community and know what's happening," he said.

Speaking at the Presentation of Certificates and Prizes Ceremony for SK Abang Abdul Kadir Betong at Dewan Sri Abadi here yesterday, Zawawie added that it was good to hold the programme during the school holidays.

"Villagers who wish to adopt the university students can contact me. I am confident the programme will also inspire children who are still schooling at the lower levels to join the programme in future," he said.

In his speech, Zawawie also urged parents to work closely with the school to help their children in their education.

"This includes equipping the children with good moral education in the honing of a good character besides good knowledge and skills.

"Those who have good early all round education are often successful," he said.

Meanwhile, 65 Primary Six pupils received their leaving certificates while 47 pre-school pupils received their excellent prizes.

Prizes were also presented to excellent pupils of classes while to staff members of the school received certificates of appreciation.

Among those present were Deputy Chairman of the Parent-Teacher Association, Allen Sambau, village chiefs, teachers and parents.

HAJI Abang Zawawie Rajit presents a certificate of appreciation to a school superintendent at the ceremony at SK Abang Abdul Kadir Betong yesterday.