

Unimas helps rural children via hornbill programme

SIBU: Universiti Malaysia Sarawak (Unimas) is reaching out to rural children via its Hornbill Volunteers Inspiration programme which began on April 1 and will end on April 14.

The programme, themed 'Reach Out, Give a Little, Bring Change', is organised by Students' Representatives

Council in collaboration with Unimas. In this programme, Unimas students give books to primary school pupils in rural areas of Saratok and Sibiu.

The programme is providing opportunities for Unimas students to see and experience the hardships faced by the rural pupils in the course of learning

to read and write.

The programme kicked off with the selling of children's books and stationery at Student Pavilion Unimas.

Programme director Abdur Rahman Abdul Rahim said it was the 1Malaysia book voucher that inspired him to come up with the programme.

"My inspiration came when I had no idea what to do with my 1Malaysia book voucher. I wanted the RM250 to benefit not only myself, but other people as well," Abdur said.

Meanwhile, about 80 Unimas students will be coming to stay at a village here from April 12-14 to take part in a host of activities.