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DR MAHATHIR PRESENTS AWARDS AT ALMA MATER

ALOR SETAR, Oct 2 (Bernama) -- Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad today presented the Iskandar Award and inaugurated the computer laboratory of his alma mater, the Sultan Abdul Hamid College here.

He was accompanied by wife Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali.

The award, named after the college's first principal who served in 1908, is given to the best all-round student.

Dr Mahathir did his schooling at the college, an elite secondary school in Kedah, which has produced several outstanding leaders.

Later Dr Mahathir, who is also the Member of Parliament for Kubang Pasu, is scheduled to brief Barisan Nasional leaders in his constituency at a closed-door meeting.

He is scheduled to perform Friday prayers at the Guar Napai mosque in Jitra.

Later in the afternoon he is scheduled to attend a briefing on development in Kubang Pasu at the district office.

The highlight of his visit to his constituency today will be a meet-the-people session at the Jitra Hall.

Dr Mahathir is expected to explain to the people Datuk Seri Anwar Ibrahim's dismissal from the Cabinet and Umno as well as the government's economic recovery measures.

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