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Dr Siti Hasmah attends Family Day

KUALA LUMPUR, Sat. - Fun activities, art and science exhibitions and food stalls were the highlights of Sekolah Kebangsaan Bukit Damansara's Family Day today.

The wife of Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad, Datin Seri Dr Siti Hasmah Mohd Ali, opened the event which was attended by pupils, teachers and their families.

In her opening speech, Dr Siti Hasmah said it was important for parents to make time for their children as it would promote a closer relationship between them, thus creating a stable family institution.

She urged parents and teachers to work together in bringing up the children as both parties spent almost the same amount of time with their wards daily.

"Schools should not be treated merely as an institution for academic learning but also a place where courtesy and kindness are taught.

"For example, qualities such as respect for the elders can be enhanced in schools and not just at home."

She said schools too played an important role in instilling unity among the races as children often did not see one's skin colour as a barrier.

Dr Siti Hasmah and the other guests were then treated to performances by the pupils which included traditional dances, a drama and ballet.

The Family Day, which started at 8am, ended at 3pm.

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