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## Twins excited to get new sets of school items

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Two pairs of twins were simply excited to start schooling again after receiving new sets of school items given to them during the 'Back-To-School' programme, 'Give Them Our Heart, Give Them Happiness' recently.

Farish Daniel Johari and Faris Danish Johari, nine, and Nur Syaza Anna Wardina Mohd. Zali and Nur Syaza Anna Mashitah Mohd. Zali, 10, were among the 34 recipients of the programme which was held at Pekan Mydin on December 27, 2018.

The programme was organised by Universiti Malaysia Pahang (UMP), together with UMP Holdings Sdn. Bhd. (UMPH).

Both sets of twins said they did not expect to get the items but now they were really happy and could not wait to go to school.

As for Daniel, he was thrilled to be able to choose his own uniform, bag and shoes of his choice.

"I had not expected to get new sets of uniforms because of financial difficulty. My father does odd work jobs while my mother is a housewife," he said.

Rozilaili Rashid, 36, who is mother to Daniel and Danish, said his family was very grateful and thanked UMP and UMPH for the assistance provided in helping to reduce their burden.

UMP Technology Sdn. Bhd. Managing Director, Dr. Nur Aainaa Syaffini Mohd Radzi said the programme involved volunteers from the university and UMPH and the aim was to help orphans, students and parents earning low income.

"We feel the hardship of those in need, who live around UMP and we try to help ease their difficulty," she said when met at the banquet hall of the Tun Abdul Razak Chancellery Building in Pekan where the students and their families were treated to a sumptuous lunch.

She added that the contributions were part of UMP and UMPH's corporate social responsibility.

She also expressed her gratitude to the donations given by the campus community, individuals and the public and hoped that the contributions would motivate the students to study more diligently.

Among the guests who attended the programme was UMP Women Association President, Professor Datin Dr. Mimi Sakinah Abdul Munaim.

A total of 20 volunteers comprising staff from UMPH, Vice-Chancellor's Office, Registrar Office and Department of Research and Innovation took part in the programme.

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