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## English workshop benefits DLP students

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The Centre for Modern Languages & Human Sciences (CMLHS), together with Department of Academic and International conducted the Dual Language Programme (DLP) enrichment workshop for 43 secondary school students on January 2, 2019.

It was aimed at providing exposure to the students to master the subjects of mathematics and science in English.

The students were from two excellence cluster schools (SKK) - Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Seri Pekan and Sekolah Menengah Kebangsaan Ahmad.

According to CMLHS language teacher and mentor for SMK Seri Pekan, Hajah Noor Azlinda Zainal Abidin, the students took part in various activities that helped to instil confidence and create awareness on the importance of English language in the subject of Science.

"It helped in making them to be more determined and motivated in improving themselves and master the language.

"Every student was assigned to work in a group, required to complete a report and make a presentation using the Pecha Kucha style, which was more interesting and interactive," she added.

The programme also involved 10 UMP students acting as facilitators and Puan Aisyah Hanum, from the Department of English Language, CMLHS.

School teacher Aishah Hanum Abu Bakar said the opportunity to be in UMP campus made the students very interested in their studies, motivating them to excel in their academics so they could also study in the ivory towers.

"They got to use other facilities including the English language laboratory which is an amazing facility that helps to provide the setting to enhance their proficiency in the language," she said.

She also said the students visited UMP Central Lab and witnessed how an experiment was conducted using sophisticated equipment with the staff explaining the procedures in English.

For 2019, more programmes are being planned that will bring about better benefits to students and teachers and this will help foster stronger collaboration between UMP and the cluster schools.

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