



Fun time: The participants taking part in 'hands n legs' race.



Big splash: Children having a wonderful time splashing in the sea at Teluk Aling.

One week with nature

The children hike a 1.52km trail to Teluk Aling

A GROUP of children had an adventurous start in their one-week school holiday learning about nature.

To encourage learning of the natural environment, Persatuan Kebajikan Ivory Pulau Pinang (Ivorycares), a charitable arm of Ivory Properties Group, recently took 24 children to the National Park in Teluk Bahang for a one-day outdoor Ivorycares Ed-Venture Camp.

The camp, an educational adventure based programme organised during school holidays for children, especially the underprivileged, had the participants hiking a 1.52km trail to the campsite at Teluk Aling.

The children had fun in activities like caterpillar 'walk', surface water race, mega sand castle building and 'hands n legs' race.

Apart from fun and play, the participants also learnt water confidence and basic forest survival skills, which consisted of fire, shelter, signal, food and water skills.

Ivorycares vice-president D'Yani Ramoo said in a press statement

that the camp was to let the children experience the diversity of the forest and learn about the preservation of the natural environment and adverse causes that affected the rainforest.

"The camp also allowed the underprivileged children to mix with other children in the natural environment where social boundaries are absent," she said.

Sixteen underprivileged children from the Children's Protection Society were part of the group.

The addition of 18 Ivorycares volunteers to the programme also gave the children a chance to learn to interact with people of different age groups and background and to work together as a team.

The next Ivorycares Ed-Venture Camp will be held on May 24. It is open to children between 10 and 17 years old.

Those interested should register by May 2. Only limited number of participants will be accepted.

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Challenge: First-timers attempting the 'water confidence challenge'.