

School of Geopark : Langkawi Global Geopark

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Geopark is not just about rocks but education on rocks of Langkawi and its earth history is the most important matter in understanding Langkawi Global Geopark. Since the establishment of Langkawi Global Geopark, words like Palaeozoic, geology, fossil, karst, Cambrian and others jargon words were becoming more familiar to the people in Langkawi. Langkawi Global Geopark had brought opportunity for the people to start knowing the history of Langkawi since 550 million years ago when Langkawi land was formed. Langkawi Geopark has been actively organizing several programs with the school children in Langkawi and also other schools outside Langkawi District. Langkawi Global Geopark has established several program under Geopark School program such as Geopark Camp, Geopark Goes To School, School Goes To Geopark, GeoExpo and GeoXPDC. This program was made possible with the cooperation from the Langkawi District Education Department, Langkawi Research Center and Malaysia Nature Society's Langkawi Chapter. Teachers in Langkawi also have been involved with the Geopark's training program under Geopark Teacher program. Geopark Club also been established as new club for school in Langkawi where this club plays the role to disseminate information and program on the Langkawi Global Geopark. With the Langkawi Research Center establishment under Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, Langkawi Global Geopark technical partner, the local community has been involved with the research indirectly. We are hoping that community in Langkawi will be getting benefit from the research done and be able to help improve their livelihood and embrace the geopark concept in their live.