

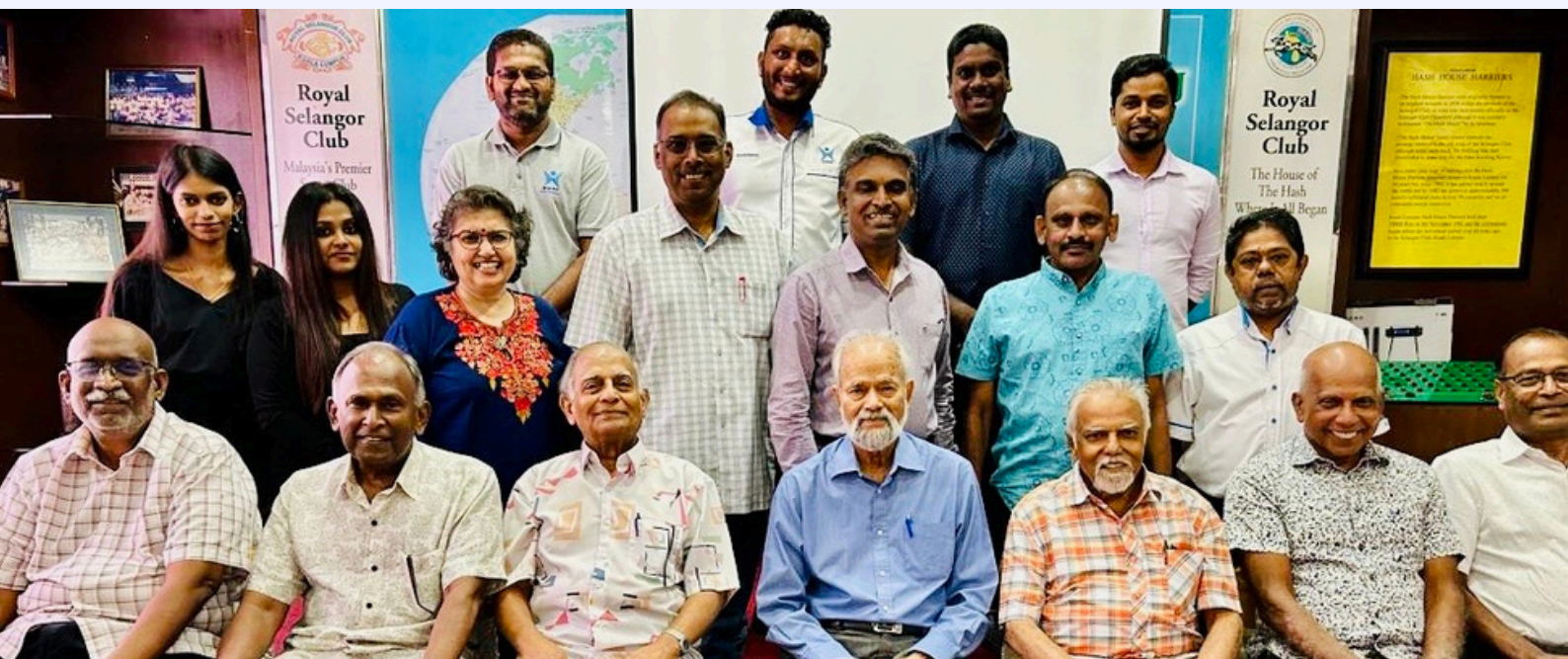


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## Message from the President

### MUTHAMIL CHELVAN

It is with great honour that I stand before you as the new President of the Educational Welfare and Research Foundation (EWRF) Malaysia.

Reflecting on my tenure as Deputy President since 2022, I extend heartfelt gratitude to everyone who has supported our mission. The last two years have been transformative, marked by significant achievements in accounting and office management, thanks to the diligent efforts of our past Secretary, Mr. Ravendran, and Treasurer, Mr. Palani. Their work has been instrumental in consolidating HQ and branch accounts, ensuring better oversight and transparency.

Our activities, including the recent **Charity Treasure Hunt** organised by Mr. Jeya Kumar, have showcased our commitment to fundraising and community support. Our core programs—**English for Juniors (E4J)**, **Civil Society Intervention (CSI)**, **Skill Training Initiative (STI)**, **Volunteer Induction Programme (VIP)**, **Counselling, Research, and Medicaid**—continue to thrive and expand, thanks to the dedicated efforts of our volunteers and staff.



**"Let's Move the Community Forward."**

**Muthamil Chelvan, President**

I must also commend our outgoing President, Mr. Govindasamy, for his extraordinary leadership during the challenging COVID-19 pandemic years. His resilience and dedication have been pivotal in navigating financial constraints and sustaining our operations.

As we move forward into 2024/26, I am committed to building on this legacy with the support of our new team at the Central Committee. Our motto, "LET'S MOVE THE COMMUNITY FORWARD," will guide our efforts.

We will focus on enhancing existing programs and introducing new initiatives such as Chess Classes for primary school students and Bahasa Melayu classes for Tamil School students. Additionally, we aim to recruit 300 new members, each contributing RM 50 monthly, to strengthen our financial foundation.

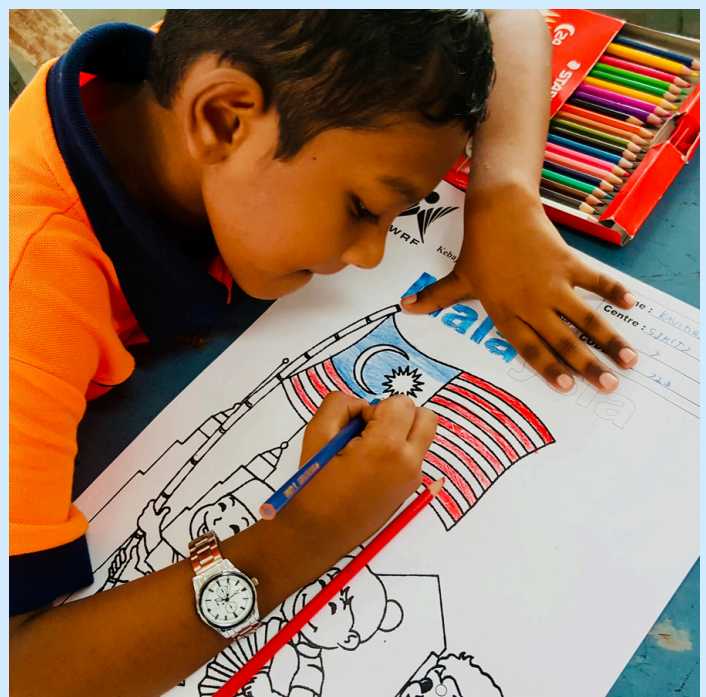
Recognizing the importance of grassroots engagement, we will work to remove roadblocks between EWRF's Headquarters and its branches, ensuring effective communication and cooperation. By tailoring our programs to meet the specific needs of local communities, we can stay relevant and impactful.

**"Coming together is a beginning.  
Keeping together is progress.  
Working together is success."**

Our vision extends beyond the Malaysian Indian community, aspiring to bridge gaps for other marginalised communities like the Orang Asli and indigenous groups in Sabah and Sarawak.

In closing, I share the wisdom of Henry Ford: "Coming together is a beginning. Keeping together is progress. Working together is success." Let us embrace this spirit as we embark on this new chapter.

Thank you, and I wish you all a prosperous and fulfilling tenure ahead and God bless.



*Focused Creativity: An EWRF student meticulously colours the Malaysian flag.*



# The Branch

## EWRF BRANCH REPORTS

EWRF's inaugural branch newsletter has been launched, marking a new chapter in our mission to keep everyone informed and engaged. We begin by extending our heartfelt gratitude to all our branches and centres.

Their unwavering support has been instrumental in the smooth execution of our programs throughout May 2024. One of the significant highlights of the month was our very first election, held on May 11th, 2024. This landmark event went off successfully, and we extend our best wishes to the newly elected candidates who will lead us into the future.

On May 22nd, the first Central Committee (CC) meeting for the term 2024-2026 took place. The CC members have shown a strong commitment to leading various task forces that will drive our initiatives forward. Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce the upcoming Past Presidents Council, scheduled for June 22, 2024. This event underscores the importance of continued community support, as your efforts, particularly in bringing in donors, significantly impact the lives of those in need.

Our branches and centres have been bustling with activity. On May 15th, 2024, the **Kulai Education Centre (KEC)** conducted a flawless practice session for Thevaram & Thiruvagam, providing an enriching cultural experience for the participating students. Meanwhile, in **Hulu Selangor**, chess enthusiasts gathered for some intellectual wizardry, and on May 30th, the IPTA 1st Choice 2024 convention drew over 40 enthusiastic participants.



*Proud Moment: An EWRF student showcases her vibrant artwork*

### EWRF's core programmes:

#### ***Education***

English for Juniors (E4J)  
Civil Society Intervention (CSI)  
Skill Training Initiative (STI)

#### ***Welfare***

Counseling  
Medical Aid

#### ***Research***



*Eager Learners: EWRF students ready for a creative session in class.*

# IMPACTful May: Education and Exciting Events Ahead!

## BRANCH TASKFORCE

In **Kajang**, weekly Bahasa Melayu and English classes continue every Thursday, providing valuable educational support. The Ipoh branch took the initiative to provide free blood screening tests for teachers, in conjunction with Teacher's Day, alongside a briefing on the importance of these screenings.

On May 13th, 2024, **the Muar branch** combined educational support with a delightful tea-time event, hosting Bahasa Melayu and English classes while the Chairperson and Treasurer prepared a special meal for the hostel.

A particularly inspiring story comes from Darshan Murugan, a student from SMK Taman Putri. Darshan's journey with KEC has been transformative. Once a reserved child struggling with English, he now boasts impressive writing skills and has achieved international recognition from Trinity College London. Darshan attributes his success to the support from his family, teachers, and KEC, and he aspires to give back by supporting future students. His story is a testament to the impact of **EWRF JB and KEC** in uplifting students from marginalised backgrounds.

In summary, May 2024 has been a month of significant achievements and heartwarming stories at EWRF. With continued community support and active participation, we are confident that our future initiatives will bring even more positive changes to the lives we touch.

**Education** is the key to breaking the cycle of poverty and opening the doors to endless possibilities. For children from marginalised communities, this key can seem out of reach. But with **your support**, we can change that.

Join us in our mission to provide **quality education** to every child, regardless of their background. Your contribution can help provide scholarships, supply essential learning materials, and create a nurturing environment where **every child can thrive**.

## Act Now!

**Donate today** and be a catalyst for change. Every ringgit you give is an investment in a brighter, more equitable future. Together, we can empower young minds, inspire hope, and create a world where every child has the opportunity to succeed.

**Because every child deserves a chance.**



*EWRF Student learning language through art at English for Juniors (E4J)*



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