

# Streets

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Spreading the Marmalade



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Rocker wear with flair



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SU AZIZ invites parents to bring out the technical wizard in their children by signing them up for Children's Technology Workshop classes.

## Techie kids

TWO years ago, Children's Technology Workshop (CTWorkshop), where engineering, creativity and group ethics are practised for a few hours a week, opened in Bandar Utama Centrepoint.

Last week, it opened a branch which is its new headquarters in Bangsar Village 1, near MPH and Toys "R" Us on the first floor where it has state-of-the-art items and software from Canada.

The educational centre was founded in Toronto, Canada in 1997 and now operates in cities across Canada, the United States, Hong Kong, China and Singapore as well.

It will hold its five-day Open House from next Monday between 2 and 6pm. "Children are invited to attend all our popular workshop programmes, and join our weekly workshop clubs," said Nina Adlan, one of CTWorkshop's directors.

The *Apprentice Engineer* programme for example, for those aged between four and five, develops early literacy and motor skills with the aid of interactive software.

Those aged between six and 14 years old will learn

how things work by building LEGO projects in the *Explore* programme. *The Gamemaker* is sure to be a hit for children aged between nine and 14 when they learn how to create their own video games, besides playing them.

*The Animator* is for those who love cartoons and anime as they get to produce their own animations. And as if that isn't enough, children get to control robots with the *Robotics* programme!

"We welcome kids from four to 14 years old as some of the more technical programmes cater for this age group, and so does our school holiday camp. We urge children to come for a trial class so that they can be assessed and attend workshops suited to their age, interest and ability," said Nina.

"Our programmes work on kids' natural interest in technology, such as animation and video games, and channel that interest into creative and constructive hands-on projects and activities. We are hoping to shape a future generation of innovators by encouraging kids to explore and invent," she



CHECK IT OUT: Children will have endless fun here.

added.

"Parents should take advantage of the opening promotions at Bangsar Village 1. One of them is the *Wizard's Pass*, which gives kids unlimited entry to all weekly workshop clubs. Any time, any day, any class at RM150 per month or RM120 for members. The first 20 children to sign up for the school holiday programme get free thumbdrives.

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LOTS TO DO: Place to indulge in hands-on projects and activities.



EXPLORE AND INVENT: Children and parents will find the activities mentally stimulating.

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