



The Faisal Cup is the first and only football and netball tournament of its kind in Malaysia. This is because the Faisal Cup is more than a mere event; it is the first tournament ever to act as a voice of freedom and opportunity for underprivileged children.

The Faisal Cup was birthed out of tragedy. On a sunny Saturday afternoon in April 2006, just as the excitement surrounding the World Cup began to build, one of our students, Faisal, drowned while trying to fetch an old football he saw floating in the

Gombak river. Faisal never had an opportunity to play football, his squatter home lacked any safe area to play and his unemployed parents could never afford to buy him a ball, let alone send him for training. Faisal gave up his life just for a chance to play with a

RM20 ball.

The Faisal Cup was initiated, to ensure that children from underprivileged backgrounds had an equal opportunity to play in a safe environment. It's to ensure that never again would a child lose their life over something that seems so small to us, but is so important to them.

This year we have 63 teams for boys football, 40 for girls football and 25 for netball from 28 community centres. The games will be

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held over 4 weekends, 1st, 8th, 15th August and the final play off will be on 22nd August 2015.

It's a day of football and outdoor fun.



Every year, the Faisal Cup provides hundreds of urban poor children with the opportunity to play in organised games of football and netball. In addition to the practice sessions with trained coaches and 3 days of tournament, the children also participated in the Peace Camps. The purpose of the camp is to help break the racial barrier amongst the teams. The camp covered sports workout sessions, and the 3 "Peace" topics discussion: Self Peace, Peace with Others and being a Peaceful Individual.

The Tournament Finals date/venue are as follows:

**22nd August at SMK Raja Ali, Batu 5 Jalan Ipoh**

[Map to SMK Raja Ali](#)