



Wafi Anas Bin Muhamad Kharul Anuar

Athlete - M
Age: 15 / Malay - SO Perak

Sport – Bocce

Event 1 - Men's Singles
Event 2 - Unified Sports*Doubles



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Wafi, a young boy with speech difficulties, faced challenges with verbal communication. His father, realizing something was amiss, took notice when Wafi started kindergarten. Concerned about his behavior, Wafi's teacher suggested seeking professional help. After various assessments, Wafi was diagnosed with a learning disability and transferred to a Special Needs School in Ipoh.

With dedicated teachers and extra attention, Wafi began making progress. He surprised everyone by translating English into Malay at a young age. His academic achievements continued, and he received yearly awards for being the best student in his class. Despite the loss of his mother and his father's demanding job as a senior fire officer, Wafi's family remained proud of his dedication and perseverance.

Although Wafi had to decline the role of school prefect due to his father's work schedule, his involvement in Special Olympics Perak brought positive changes. Wafi became more active and happy. He eagerly shared his journey to the World Games in Berlin with his father, counting down the days and excited to represent Malaysia.

Wafi's father expressed his wish for Wafi to win the championship and bring honour to Malaysia. The Special Olympics focuses on recognizing individuals' unique strengths and qualities, supporting their development rather than dwelling on limitations. With guidance and resources, individuals with intellectual disabilities can thrive and reach their full potential. By excelling in sports, they gain confidence and skills that can translate to success in other areas of life.



Wafi serves as a role model for others with learning disabilities and inspires those facing challenges. The goal is to provide necessary support and opportunities for individuals like Wafi to blossom into confident and accomplished individuals.