

## **Welcome Tea and Book Launch ~ 23 August 2006**

Staff and students celebrated the opening of the new academic year with a welcome tea for new and returning students to the Social Work Department and a "Send Off" for our graduating students. The Welcome tea coincided with a book launch for the recently published "Challenges of Social Care in Asia" by Associate Professorial Fellow S Vasoo and Associate Professor Tan Ngoh Tiong. The book examines the development and current state of social care in various Asian countries, including Korea, Japan, Hong Kong, the Philippines, Thailand, Bangladesh, India, Malaysia, Singapore and Indonesia.

Special guests at the event were Minister Of State for MCYS, Mrs Yu-Foo Yee Shoon, who launched the book, and, Ms Rosemary Chong, an active grassroots leader. About 80 students and invited guests attended the event which ended with an opportunity for Faculty and students to interact in a relaxing atmosphere.

