

### Sharing on Agency Exposure Scheme

The Agency Exposure Scheme of the Associate of Social Science in Social Work has been held for 5 years. The Programme forms partnerships with 5 NGOs which provide service learning opportunities for Full-time Year 1 students to know the actual work demands as a learner, as a shadow employee and as a student social worker. The partnerships with projects or units also create chances for the agency staff to know our students and Programme.

Though each group of students blended their learning experiences from the Scheme to tutorials on social work practice, a sense of sharing across groups could better benefit students to learn from peers as well as from different service targets and agency environment.



On 22<sup>nd</sup> May, the students who took up the role of presenters were a bit nervous but gradually they were soon absorbed into their service learning experience. The learning and sharing atmosphere were built up with lively discussions from the group of 72 students and 5 teachers.

One student reflected, “I find I am better prepared for the coming fieldwork practicum after knowing how to face challenging young people and how to be an accountable student worker.” Another student said with a happy face, “I’m thankful for the practical tips from my classmates and the inspiration from our dear teachers!”