

THE PREMIER OF ONTARIO'S VISIT

Sunway College in general, and its Canadian Matriculation Programme in particular, was honoured by a visit of the Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Mr Bob Rae. The Canadian Programme actually follows the education system of the Province of Ontario, hence Mr Rae's statement.

The visit was really a very tightly packaged schedule. Mr Rae accompanied by H E Mr John Bell (Canadian High Commissioner) was welcomed warmly by students, staff and representatives of the College and SungeiWay Group. He commented on the warmth of this welcome during his address to the students, saying that if this visit was in Ontario he would likely have been met by demonstrators, not by friends as at Sunway.

Mr Rae, speaking from personal experience, talked to students about the value of overseas education in any country. He emphasised that the world is becoming even more international and the leaders of the future must be internationally exposed and experienced. After his speech, he answered questions from students and staff concerning opportunity in Canada, health care for students



Premier of Ontario, the Honourable Mr Bob Rae, having a freindly chat with the Canadian Matriculation Program students at Sunway College.

in Canada, and changing Canadian laws to allow international students to work while studying.

Mr Rae was open and friendly in his answers, and the audience really appreciated his information. After receiving a momento from the CMP Head Boy (Henry Wong from Sarawak), he was conducted on a very rapid tour at the College and then left after a packed 50 minutes in the College.

What did he leave behind? A

feeling of warmth through his friendliness and openness, and an invitation to submit a list of Canadian book titles to him that the Ontario government would place in our library free-of-charge. Feedback from the High Commissioner indicated Mr Rae was thrilled with his visit to Sunway College as it was, to him, a grand opportunity to meet a fine group of young Malaysians that is, our Sunway College Canadian students.

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Sunway College Canadian Matriculation Programme lecturers with SungeiWay Group representatives and the Honourable Mr Bob Rae.