

## Graduation Day in the Day Care

Last March 20, 2010 was Graduation day for the day care students of Hope Worldwide Baseco and Payatas. It was held at the new, impressive Dela Salle Vito Cruz auditorium. The children were proud that they were ready to graduate from pre-school. We could see that all of them had developed much. They increased their knowledge, learned good study habits and values and grew up quite a bit in the past year. Dela Salle provided an inspiring background to the ceremony. Maybe some parents imagined their children one day being able to go to university as well. Jv Velasco, the executive director of Hope Worldwide, gave an inspirational message to the children and parents. We saw the happiness and pride of the parents when their children received special awards. Also Gina Tuazon of Springboard Foundation gave a special message to all of the parents, students and teachers. She admonished the parents to acknowledge the successes of their children, make time for them and show them how proud they are so that the children will continue to work hard on their studies. She also gave a big thank you to all the teachers for all their hard work and their wonderful input into the lives of the children. Springboard is very pleased to support this project. The children who go through this program all end up in the top 5 percentile of their classes in school. This one year of learning gives them the fundamental knowledge to do well for the rest of the school-life.



Springboard gave some gifts to the graduates.



The students prepared a gift to Springboard as a sign of their gratitude.

