Celebrating close to 400 of the Monash University Foundation Year (MUFY) students graduating in a recent ceremony, this community currently has over 10,000 students who have chosen the MUFY pathway to a world class university education. MUFY Subject Award Winners and the Monash Entrance Scholarships recipients were also present to receive their awards during the graduating ceremony.

In his address to the graduands, Lee Thye Cheong, Director of the MUFY programme at Sunway College congratulated them on their hard work. “This graduation marks the successful conclusion of a year’s amount of hard work. The finish line is not for the fainthearted, it is a reward for the daring, determined and disciplined. Your presence here this evening is an impressive demonstration of all these qualities.”

Valedictorian Celine Lee Shyn Yee remarked the graduation is a memorable occasion for the MUFY students as they leave with even more remarkable memories. On behalf of her fellow graduands, she paid tribute to all their MUFY lecturers, and expressed their gratitude for the endless support from their ‘Fantastic FOUR’ superheroes in this programme. “The heroes are Mr Lee also known as Mr Fantastic, the leader of the team, pragmatic in dealing with the everyday things in college; and never failing to stop and ask about the students’ well-being; Human Torch also known as Ms Edith, strict and fiery outwardly, but is a caring person; Ms Helen also known as Invisible Woman who ensures everything runs smoothly, and knows it all; and last but not least, Mr Hakim known as the Thing, likened to possessing super strength by making sure everyone have enrolled for their classes, backed up their ID passwords, and making sure everything runs smoothly. Celine acknowledged the amazing foundation of MUFY, the lecturers, who go out of their way for the students, nurturing and giving them the ability to finish, and to finish well.

In her welcoming remarks, Dr Elizabeth Lee, Senior Executive Director of the Sunway Education Group and Sunway University reminded the graduates that MUFY marks the end of one phase of their lives and the promise of new beginnings. “Go out there and explore new possibilities as you pursue further studies. Going to university is a massive opportunity and if you haven’t learned that in college, then you will in university. Stand on your own two feet, for the time to take that step into independence, responsibility and the intentional pursuit of knowledge and essential skills has arrived to take you further in life.”

With the learning environment of MUFY at Sunway College similar to that of Monash University, this programme has helped the students maintain an excellent academic track record of success with the assistance of dedicated and experienced lecturers. These elements have helped students achieve results which have often surpassed those from other MUFY providers. Offering a flexible modular system of study that enables students to take options that match their individual capability and needs, MUFY provides a vibrant learning community which ensures a successful progression of MUFY graduates from Sunway College into degree programmes at Monash University and other well-regarded universities worldwide.