

# Sarasas Ektra School GAC News

September 2015



#### **Coming Soon**

- GAC023 AE2:
   Local Environmental
   Survey Field Trip
   Thursday 17th September
- Studying in the USA
   Ms. Carla Anderson
   Lane Community College,
   Oregon
   Monday 21st September
- Semester 1 Exams: Starting on 24th September

#### **Getting the Best Results**

Here are a few reminders on how to improve your GAC results.

- Always check your work with your teachers before submitting the final copy.
- Follow the marking criteria very carefully to avoid any unnecessary 'lost points'.
- Make sure that you use the Academic Writing Manual and the GAC Referencing Guide.
- If you are ever unsure of anything - go and check with Mr. Phil in the GAC office.



## **Singapore Silvers**

On July 22nd 20 GAC students from Ektra joined over 300 other students from international schools, colleges and universities around Asia for a five day leadership conference in Singapore. As well as attending leadership workshops and taking part in confidence building and teamwork activities, the students also had to prepare and present a Business Proposal / Action Plan for helping underprivileged children in their country. It was a very happy and proud moment for all from Ektra when one of our groups won silver medals.



### **Practical Experience**

Throughout the five day conference the students were kept very busy, and two of the activities in particular were of significant importance to them. Firstly, doing charity work at the Singapore Foodbank (below left) - there they were all checking use-by-dates and sorting donated food prior to boxing it up for delivery to needy people. Then at the confidence building 'highrope, low-rope' challenge camp, (below right) where they tested their nerves and skills to be able to complete a number of tricky tasks.



